## Membership Survey

## Final Report

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# Membership Survey Final Report

#### **Background and Objectives**

This survey was designed to gather information from the members of the Alberta Professional Planners Institute (APPI). Specifically we sought to gain insights in the following areas:

- Member demographics
- · Volunteer activities
- Appropriateness of the Vision and Mission statements and progress in these areas
- Evaluation of APPI
- Satisfaction with member services
- Evaluation of specific benefits and services
- An evaluation of learning opportunities
- · Attendance and satisfaction of AGM's

#### Method

This was an online survey. Invitations containing a link to the survey were sent to members by the APPI. The survey as available to respondents from May 14<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup>. At the end of the survey process we had 370 fully completed responses for an overall response rate of 39%. In our experience, this response rate is considered to be very good.

#### **Margin of Error**

With a total sample of 370, the margin of error is plus or minus 5.2 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level. If, for example, 50% of the respondents say that they are very satisfied with a particular benefit, then we can be reasonably sure (19 times out of 20) of an accuracy within +/- 5.2%. This means that a total census of all members would reveal an answer of not less than 44.8% and not more than 55.2%.

## **The Report**

This report is contains nine sections plus an appendix. The nine sections are:

- 1. Highlights
- 2. Member demographics
- 3. Volunteer activities
- 4. Vision and Mission statements and progress in these areas
- 5. Evaluation of APPI
- 6. Satisfaction with member services
- 7. Evaluation of specific benefits and services
- 8. An evaluation of learning opportunities
- 9. Attendance and satisfaction of AGM's

Each section contains charts, tables and a write-up of the key findings.

#### 1. Highlights

#### **Member Demographics**

One of the objectives of this survey was to acquire member demographics. Listed below are a few highlights from our demographic questions.

- Amongst this sample of members, the average tenure in planning is 13.5 years. However, we note that slightly more than one-half (54%) of respondents have been employed in the field for ten years or less.
- On average, respondents have been with APPI for 9.5 years. But there is a wide distribution in their tenure of membership with 42% having been members for five years or less while 28% have been members for more than 10 years.
- We see a wide age distribution amongst our members sample with over half (52%) being under the age of 40. The average respondent age is 42.
- Our sample of members is composed of an equal percentage of management, senior-level planners and mid-level planners. The remainder is made up of entry level planners (11%), students, those who are retired or not currently employed in the field.

As with many member based organizations, APPI has a diverse membership. Balancing the needs of those who are just starting their career with those who have more than twenty years experience is a challenge.

#### **Volunteer Activities**

Almost one-half (45%) of member sample have volunteered with APPI. This is more likely the case amongst RPP's versus Candidate members.

The majority (76%) are either very or somewhat satisfied with their volunteer experience. RPP's are more likely to rate themselves as "very satisfied" with their volunteer experience.

Importantly, the majority (89%) would recommend volunteering with APPI to a colleague. Candidate respondents are somewhat less likely to make this recommendation (83%). The majority of respondents (82%) would consider volunteering again. This is equally the case amongst RPP's and Candidate respondents.

#### **Vision/Mission Statements**

While the majority (60%) believe that the current vision statement is appropriate, there is a substantial percentage who disagree (40%). We note that the candidate member sample is more likely to agree that this vision statement is appropriate of APPI. (68% agree).

In comparison to the vision statement, respondents show greater support for the mission statement. Seventy-seven percent agree that the statement is appropriate. This level of agreement is shared by both RPP's and candidate respondents.

#### **Exclusive Right To Practice**

Over two-thirds of our member sample (68%) support in general APPI pursuing exclusive right to practice. Nineteen percent are not in support of this goal.

Overall, candidate members are less supportive of this goal and more likely to say that they "don't know" how they feel about this issue. (See table below).

	Total	RPP	Candidate
	%	%	%
Very supportive	33	37	26
Supportive	35	35	32
Not supportive	19	17	23
Don't know	13	10	19

#### **Evaluation of APPI**

Fifty-five percent of our sample of members say that they are very or somewhat satisfied with the level of benefits and services that they receive from APPI.

There is marked difference between RPP's (61% overall satisfaction) versus candidate members (39% overall satisfaction) on this measure. We also note that 25% of Candidate members are very/somewhat dissatisfied with the level of member benefits and services that they receive.

	Total	RPP	Candidate
	%	%	%
Very/ somewhat satisfied	55	61	39
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	18	16	25

Listed below are grouped responses that come from members who say that they are somewhat/very dissatisfied with the level of member benefits and services that they receive.

Insufficient value for annual dues/ not enough benefits (unspecified)/	
benefits are limited/ more benefits required/ nothing to distinguish APPI	
benefits from other associations (negative tone)	17%
Improve/ expand professional development course/ learning/ learning unit	
delivery/ online streaming/ content/ professional development not good	
enough in light of high fees	14%
APPI should better explain benefits/ offerings available to members/ I don't	
know what benefits I have	10%
Expand geographical scope of events/ conferences/ support	7%
Improve events/ conferences/ variety of events/ not good enough in light of	
high fees	3%
Events/ conference/ lunches are not discounted sufficiently in light of high	
annual fees	3%
Other areas of improvement/ suggestions	21%

The majority (68%) of the sample believe that APPI is very or somewhat easy to work with. Very few (7%) rate the organization as difficult to work with.

Forty-five percent of respondents rate APPI's image as a professional regulator within the industry as very or somewhat positive. This percentage is slightly higher amongst candidate members versus RPP's. A large proportion (37%) are neither positive nor negative.

In total, 50% are "very likely" to recommend membership with APPI. This percentage is higher amongst RPP's. In total, 81% are very likely or somewhat likely to recommend membership. Relatively few, (9%) say that they would be unlikely to recommend membership.

#### **Overall Satisfaction with Member Services**

The table below summarizes the ratings given to five overall measures of satisfaction with member services. We have ranked ordered these based on the percentage who say that they are very/somewhat satisfied.

We note that overall value for money and services provided allow you to be a leader in your field receive the lowest level of satisfaction and highest percentage of those who say that they are somewhat/very dissatisfied. We believe that these levels of satisfaction/dissatisfaction relate to earlier measures pertaining to level of member benefits and services.

	Very / Somewhat Satisfied	Neither Satisfied / Dissatisfied	Somewhat / Very Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Overall quality of services received	69	19	10
Overall quality of information provided	68	23	8
Opportunities provided to build contacts / relationships	67	21	8
Overall value for money	48	26	23
Services provided that allow you to be a leader in your field	43	33	19

#### **Rating Specific APPI Benefits and Services**

The table below summarizes the ratings given to twelve specific benefits and services offered by APPI. Again, we have ranked ordered these based on the percentage who say that they are very/somewhat satisfied.

	Very /	Neither	Somewhat /
	Somewhat	Satisfied /	Very
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Planning Journal	85	10	6
Event Notices	81	17	2
E Notices	73	24	3
Weekly E News	72	25	3
Job Opportunities	72	22	5
Website	68	22	10
Online Payment System	68	29	4
Consultant Directory	56	39	5
APPI RPP List	56	40	4
Posting of non APPI events	39	45	16
APPI Social Media Sites	37	54	10
Volunteer opportunities with Non APPI Entities	31	54	16

#### **Learning Opportunities**

The table below summarizes the ratings given to four APPI learning opportunities. We have ranked these based on the percentage who are very/somewhat satisfied. We note that courses receives the lowest percent who are very/somewhat satisfied and highest percent who are somewhat/very dissatisfied.

		Neither	Somewhat /
	Very/Somewhat	Satisfied /	Very
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Regional events	76	13	11
Sessions at the conference	69	22	9
Workshops	62	26	12
Courses	55	31	14

#### **AGM**

The majority of our sample (77%) have not attended an AGM in the past two years.

Attended an AGM in Edmonton	11%
Attended an AGM in Calgary	14%
Have not attended an AGM in the past two years	77%

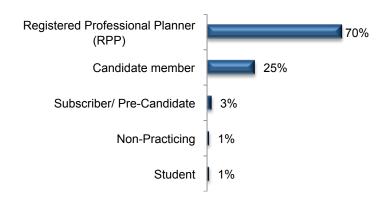
Slightly more than one-half (52%) support having an AGM in Red Deer.

Yes – AGM in Red Deer	52%
No	19%
Not applicable	29%

## 1. Demographics

### 1.1 Professional Status

### 1. What is your professional status?



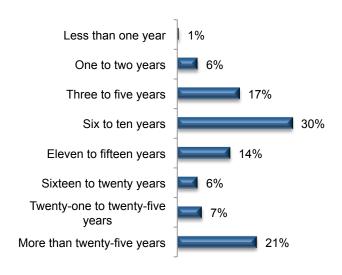
Our sample of members consists primarily (70%) of Registered Professional Planners (RPP's).

Candidate members make up 25% of the sample.

			Professional status		Professional status Alberta City		/
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total	100	370	258	92	118	159	47
Registered Professional Planner (RPP)	70	258	100	0	71	67	66
Candidate member	25	92	0	100	22	28	28
Subscriber/Pre-Candidate	3	10	0	0	2	4	4
Non-Practicing	1	5	0	0	3	1	0
Student	1	5	0	0	3	1	2

## 1.2 Planning Tenure

#### 2. How many years have you been employed in planning?



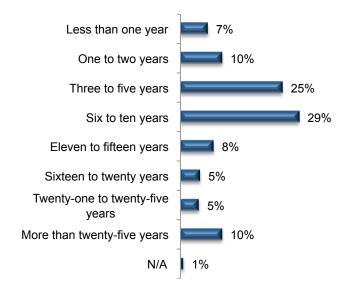
The average tenure in planning is 13.5 years. However, we note that slightly more than one-half (54%) of respondents have been employed in the field for ten years or less.

On the other end of the spectrum, 21% have been involved in planning for more than 25 years.

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	363	256	92	115	158	45
Less than one year	1	2	0	2	2	0	0
One to two years	6	20	0	18	7	5	4
Three to five years	17	60	7	38	14	18	18
Six to ten years	30	110	30	33	34	28	27
Eleven to fifteen years	14	51	18	5	10	18	11
Sixteen to twenty years	6	20	7	1	8	5	4
Twenty-one to twenty-five years	7	24	9	1	7	7	9
More than twenty-five years	21	76	29	1	19	18	27
Average Number of Years	13.5	-	16.6	5.7	13.1	13.1	14.9

#### 1.3 Tenure as APPI Member

#### 3. How many years have you been a member of APPI?

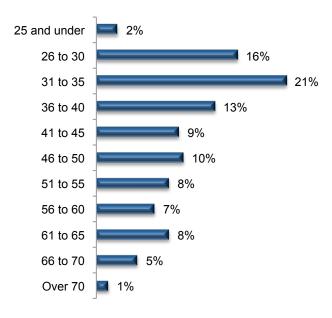


On average, our respondents have been members of APPI for 9.5 years. But there is a wide distribution in their tenure of membership with 42% having been members for five years or less while 28% have been members for more than 10 years.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total	100	368	256	92	117	158	47
Less than one year	7	25	3	15	7	8	6
One to two years	10	38	5	20	9	12	9
Three to five years	25	92	17	49	27	23	28
Six to ten years	29	107	36	14	29	28	28
Eleven to fifteen years	8	30	11	1	9	8	6
Sixteen to twenty years	5	18	7	0	6	4	9
Twenty-one to twenty-five years	5	17	7	0	3	6	2
More than twenty-five years	10	38	14	0	8	10	13
N/A	1	3	0	1	1	1	0
Average Number of Years	9.5	-	11.8	3.6	8.8	9.4	9.9

## 1.4 Age

### 4. Please tell us which age range you fall into.



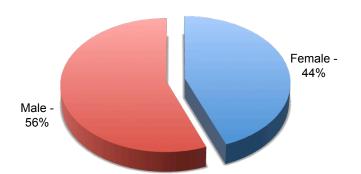
We see a wide age distribution in our sample of members with over half (52%) being under the age of 40.

The average member age is 42.

			Profession	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total	100	370	258	92	118	159	47
25 and under	2	9	0	5	3	3	2
26 to 30	16	58	5	40	16	16	15
31 to 35	21	78	19	29	22	21	13
36 to 40	13	49	15	11	12	16	9
41 to 45	9	34	11	5	7	8	15
46 to 50	10	36	12	5	16	8	4
51 to 55	8	30	11	2	11	7	11
56 to 60	6	24	9	0	4	8	9
61 to 65	8	30	12	0	4	8	17
66 to 70	5	17	5	1	4	4	2
Over 70	1	5	2	0	1	1	4
Average Number of Years	42.4	-	46.5	32.7	41.5	41.9	46.0

### 1.5 Gender

## 5. Please indicate your gender.

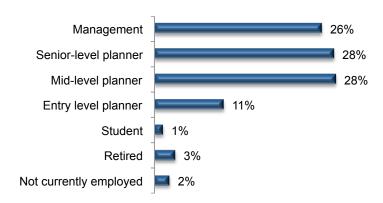


Males make up a slightly greater percentage of our member sample (56%).

			Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total	100	367	256	91	117	157	47	
Female	44	162	43	46	47	45	40	
Male	56	205	57	54	53	55	60	

#### 1.6 Current Job

#### 6. Please tell us which statement best describes your current job.



Our sample of members is composed of an equal percentage of management, senior-level planners and midlevel planners. The remainder is made up of entry level planners (11%), students, those who are retired or not currently employed in the field.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	369	257	92	118	158	47
Management	26	96	35	8	24	25	32
Senior-level planner	28	103	36	11	33	24	30
Mid-level planner	28	104	22	47	25	33	17
Entry level planner	11	40	1	35	12	12	9
Student	1	5	0	0	1	1	4
Retired	3	12	4	0	2	3	6
Not currently employed	2	9	2	0	4	2	2

## 2. Volunteer Activities

#### 2.1 Have Ever Volunteered

### 7. Have you ever volunteered with APPI?



Almost one-half (45%) of respondents have volunteered with APPI. This is more likely the case amongst RPP's versus Candidate members.

			Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total	100	368	256	92	118	157	47	
Yes	45	165	54	27	42	46	53	
No	55	203	46	73	58	54	47	

## 2.2 Reasons For Not Volunteering

#### 7.b) Why have you not volunteered with APPI?

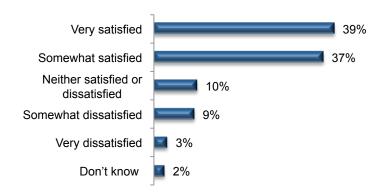
In the table below we have grouped the open-ended responses. Not surprisingly the primary response relates to time restrictions. (51%).

A relatively small percentage (7%) say that they are simply not interested. This would suggest that there is a large base of members, who under the right circumstances, would consider volunteering.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total Reporting	100	160	96	53	53	69	38
Not enough time/ too busy with work/ family/ other volunteer activities	51	81	56	45	57	48	47
Have not yet had a chance/ have not yet taken the opportunity/ have not yet seen an opportunity/ have not yet had the right opportunity/ unaware of opportunities	18	29	15	19	13	23	16
Don't live close enough to volunteer/ don't live in Calgary or Edmonton/ live in remote area	14	22	13	19	17	7	21
New member/ new to Alberta/ industry (but no mention of being interested)	7	11	6	9	8	7	5
Not interested	7	11	7	6	4	7	11
Have not volunteered yet, but am signed up to do so soon/ just new but plan to volunteer	6	9	1	11	8	7	0
All Other mentions	8	12	10	4	8	7	8

#### 2.3 Volunteer Satisfaction

### 8. Please rate your satisfaction with your APPI volunteer experience.



The majority of respondents (76%) are either very or somewhat satisfied with their volunteer experience.

RPP's are more likely to rate themselves as "very satisfied" with their volunteer experience.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total %	Total N	RPP	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total	100	168	137	27	50	74	25
Very satisfied	39	66	42	22	42	39	40
Somewhat satisfied	37	62	35	44	42	30	48
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	10	16	9	11	8	11	8
Somewhat dissatisfied	9	15	7	19	6	11	4
Very dissatisfied	3	5	4	0	0	5	0
Don't know	2	4	2	4	2	4	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	76	128	77	67	84	69	88
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	12	20	11	19	6	16	4
Average rating	4.0	-	4.1	3.7	4.2	3.9	4.2

## 2.4 Reasons for Satisfaction Rating

#### 8.b) Why do you say that you were ... with your APPI volunteer experience?

In the following table we have grouped the responses to this open-ended question into three overall categories – positive mentions (found below) and areas of improvement and neutral mentions (found on the following page).

	Total	Total	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied/ Neither	Very/ Somewhat Dissatisfied
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	143	64	59	20

#### **Positive Mentions**

Camaraderie/ connecting/ networking/ working with others/ other APPI volunteers	27	38	50	8	5
Sense of accomplishment/ contribution/ very gratifying/ rewarding/ was meaningful to me/ gave back to my profession	24	35	45	8	5
Learning/ interesting/ better understanding of the institute/ association/ profession/ issues	11	16	25	0	0
Things went smoothly/ great communication between organizers and volunteers/ people were helpful/ APPI was helpful/ supportive/ made it easy	11	16	22	3	0
Interesting/ enjoyable/ excellent/ fun/ fine	8	11	6	12	0
Recognition/ appreciation/ felt my contributions were valued	6	8	13	0	0
Other positive mentions	6	9	11	3	0

## 2.4 Reasons for Satisfaction Rating (Cont'd)

	Total	Total	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied/ Neither	Very/ Somewhat Dissatisfied
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	143	64	59	20

#### **Areas of improvement/ suggestions**

Lack of support/ planning/ organization/ initiative from APPI/ leadership/ executive/ borderline interference by APPI	10	15	0	14	35
Lack of gratitude/ acknowledgement from/ previous efforts unappreciated by/ no thanks from APPI/ leadership/ executive	6	9	0	5	30
Insufficient opportunities because of my location/don't live in Calgary or Edmonton/ live in remote area	2	3	0	5	0
Lack of support/ contribution/ local support/ participation by members	2	3	0	5	0
Tried to volunteer and no one got back to me	1	1	0	2	0
Other areas of improvement/ suggestions	10	15	0	15	30

#### **Neutral Mentions**

Might appreciate it more/ do more if I wasn't so busy/ if it wasn't so costly	3	5	0	7	5
Would like to do more but don't know how/ unaware of opportunities/ no one approaches me	2	3	0	3	5
All Other mentions	10	14	0	22	5

## 2.5 Would Recommend Volunteering

## 9. Would you recommend volunteering with the APPI to your colleagues?



The majority (89%) would recommend volunteering with APPI to a colleague. Candidate members are somewhat less likely to make this recommendation (83%).

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date Calgary		Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total	100	161	134	24	49	68	25	
Yes	89	144	90	83	94	84	96	
No	11	17	10	17	6	16	4	

## 2.6 Would Consider Volunteering Again

### 10. Would you consider volunteering again with APPI?



The majority of our sample (82%) would consider volunteering again. This is equally the case amongst RPP's and Candidate members.

			Professio	nal status	Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Calgary Edmonton		
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total	100	164	137	24	49	71	25	
Yes	82	134	82	83	90	82	76	
No	18	30	18	17	10	18	24	

## 2.6 Encouraging Members to Volunteer

Respondents were asked for suggestions on how to encourage members to volunteer. In the table below we have grouped the responses to this open-ended question. Although the base size for the Candidate members is relatively low (17) we do see some interesting differences between suggestions offered by the RPP's and Candidates. For example, Candidates are motivated by recognition for their efforts.

#### 11. Based on your experience, what can APPI do to encourage members to volunteer?

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	,
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %
Total Reporting	100	121	102	17	41	54	26
Better general advertising/ raised awareness of opportunities/ post on social media/ provide options/ more choices for opportunities/ expectations/ time commitments	34	41	32	41	37	35	27
Explain the relevance/ benefits to potential volunteers/ the employers of volunteers	26	31	26	12	29	19	35
APPI should reach out personally/ recruiting face-to-face at events (instead of a generic "call")/ have volunteers recruit other volunteers/ candidates	16	19	18	6	12	20	12
More/ continued recognition/ thanks/ more organized/ systematic thanks	12	14	9	24	15	6	19
Apply volunteer time/ promote the application of volunteer time to learning units/ CPL points/ mandatory to volunteer for CPL/ membership	9	11	11	0	2	11	15
Perks/ incentives/ access deals for volunteers/ free access to luncheons/ pay some expenses/ mileage/ meals/ accommodation	8	10	7	18	5	11	8
Review processes/ constant refinement/ improve volunteer systems/ get feedback from volunteers and use their ideas	3	4	4	0	0	6	4
More mentoring/ more support/ find out how it's going while the volunteer is doing the work or preparing to do the work	3	4	4	0	2	4	4
All Other mentions	21	25	21	24	24	20	15

## 3. Vision/Mission Statements

## **3.1 Appropriateness of Vision Statement**

## 12. Do you think "Our members are the recognized leaders in community planning" is the appropriate vision statement for APPI?



While the majority (60%) believe that the current vision statement is appropriate, there is a substantial percentage who disagree (40%).

We note that Candidate members are more likely to agree that this vision statement is appropriate of APPI.

			Professio	nal status	Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	date		Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total	100	359	248	92	116	154	44	
Yes	60	217	57	68	58	62	61	
No	40	142	43	32	42	38	39	

## 3.2 Reasons for Opinion Related to the Vision Statement

Members were asked to explain their opinion regarding the vision statement. We have grouped these opinions by those who support the statement (on this page) versus those who take the opposite viewpoint.

As will be seen on the following page, much of the dissent regarding the vision statement revolves around the use of specific words e.g. words such as "leaders", "recognized" and "community planning".

## 12.b) Why do you or do you not think that "Our members are the recognized leaders in community planning" is the appropriate vision statement for APPI?

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	231	177	44	79	90	62

#### **Positive Mentions**

Leadership is important to convey/ a good planner is a leader/ we have the knowledge/ experience	8	18	8	7	13	6	5
Planners are key in community development/ we are planners of communities/ community planning broad enough to include all walks of planning/ unaware of any other profession taking the lead re: community planning.	4	9	4	2	5	3	3
APPI is well regarded/ like the phrase "recognized leaders"/ we are the recognized leaders	3	6	3	0	4	3	0
It sounds good/ sounds ok/ appropriate/ fine/ alright/ this sounds reasonable/ it sounds ok, but <improvement suggestion=""></improvement>	13	31	15	11	13	10	19
It says what we do/ it's true/ it sounds right/ that's the role/ short and to the point/ concise/ clear	12	27	10	16	8	16	11
Other positive mentions	4	10	4	7	1	3	10

## 3.2 Reasons for Opinion Related to the Vision Statement (Cont'd)

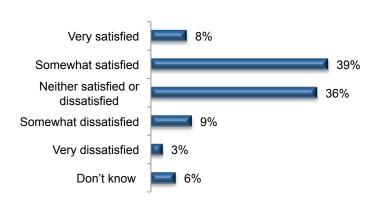
			Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total %	Total N	RPP %	Candi- date %	Calgary %	Edmon- ton %	Other %	
Total Reporting	100	231	177	44	79	90	62	

### Areas of improvement/ suggestions

Our members are not leaders/ professional planners are not always recognized as leaders/ politicians or elected officials are the actual leaders/ planners outside the APPI are leaders too/ developers have the clout, not planners/ lacks acknowledgement of collaboration with other key players/ we are facilitators/ authorities/ implementers/ policy followers/ educators/ informers/ advocates	28	64	27	27	29	28	26
Community planning is too exclusive/ is too narrow/ only part of planning/ a subset of planning	16	37	15	18	15	19	13
Vision statement is not particularly visionary/ should be more inspirational/ not exactly ambitious/ this doesn't look like a vision/ should be more to it/ doesn't explain who we are/ what we do/ what does this vision mean, in reality?	15	35	16	16	16	18	10
Our members are not recognized/ APPI is not a particularly well recognized association/ what is meant by "recognized"?/ people don't care about who the "recognized leaders" are/ planners are not recognized outside of the planning world	11	26	12	9	9	11	15
Community planning meaning issues: vernacular equates that with residential subdivision planning/ in Calgary, "community" means "neighbourhood"/ do non-planners know what it means?	7	16	7	7	6	9	5
Other areas of improvement/ suggestions	12	28	14	7	13	9	16

## 3.3 APPI Progress vis-à-vis Vision Statement

## 13. How satisfied are you that APPI is making acceptable progress in fulfilling its vision statement?



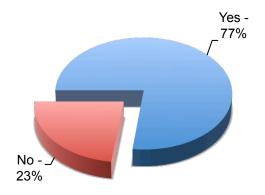
Approximately one-half of our member sample (47%) are very or somewhat satisfied that acceptable progress is being made in fulfilling the vision statement.

Candidate members are somewhat more likely to express satisfaction with progress that is being made.

			Professio	nal status	,	Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	365	254	91	117	157	45
Very satisfied	8	29	9	8	9	8	7
Somewhat satisfied	39	141	36	43	44	36	33
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	36	132	37	33	37	36	40
Somewhat dissatisfied	9	33	10	9	7	9	9
Very dissatisfied	3	10	3	2	1	3	4
Don't know	5	20	5	5	3	8	7
Very/ somewhat satisfied	47	170	45	51	53	45	40
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	12	43	13	11	8	11	13
Average rating	3.4	-	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.3

## 3.4 Appropriateness of Mission Statement

14. Do you think "We develop professional planners, promote the planning profession and advocate for sustainable community planning" is the appropriate mission statement for APPI?



In comparison to the vision statement, respondents show greater support for the mission statement. Seventy-seven percent agree that the statement is appropriate.

This level of agreement is shared by both RPP's and Candidate respondents.

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	352	245	88	114	150	45
Yes	77	271	77	77	75	79	78
No	23	81	23	23	25	21	22

## 3.5 Reasons for Opinion Related to the Mission Statement

14.b) Why do you or do you not think that "We develop professional planners, promote the planning profession, and advocate for sustainable community planning" is the appropriate mission statement for APPI?

Respondents were asked to explain their opinion regarding the mission statement. Again, we have grouped their comments by those who agree that the mission statement is appropriate (shown on this page) versus those who disagree with the mission statement. (Shown on the following two pages).

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	171	132	33	59	69	43

#### **Positive Mentions**

I like "We develop professional planners"/ it is good/ is a good goal/ APPI does have a continuous learning emphasis	10	17	11	6	8	10	12
I like "Promote the planning profession"/ it is good/ okay/ APPI does promote planning	6	11	7	3	5	9	5
I like "Advocate for sustainable community planning"/ it is good/ okay/ is a good aspiration/ APPI does do advocacy work	5	8	4	3	3	7	2
Generally agree, but <improvement suggestion=""></improvement>	15	25	17	6	15	16	12
It is exactly what APPI is/ this is what we are aiming for - that is a mission/ because it is/ accurate/ clear/ concise/ as far as I am aware, APPI is doing its best to perform this mission	30	51	29	33	32	29	28
Other positive mentions	5	8	5	6	5	4	5

## 3.5 Reasons for Opinion Related to the Mission Statement (Cont'd)

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	171	132	33	59	69	43

#### **Areas of Improvement/Suggestions**

Sustainable is too subjective/ over-used/ just a buzzword/ must be defined first before it should be part of a mission statement/ get rid of this word/ we all talk about sustainable community planning but when it comes to implementation, we fail/ achieving sustainability is difficult	13	23	11	24	14	17	7
Sustainable community planning/ "community planning" is too specific/ is too narrow/ only part of planning/ a subset of planning	12	20	11	12	12	12	12
Sustainable community planning/ "community planning" meaning issues/ possible misinterpretation/ is jargon/ what does it mean?/ need to specify things that are sustainable	8	14	9	6	8	7	9
APPI by itself does not develop planners/ we develop ourselves/ APPI only supports development	8	13	8	6	7	10	5
Unaware of how we promote the planning profession/ little promotion of the planning profession in the private sector/ promotion is almost non-existent outside the planning practice field itself	5	9	7	0	5	4	7

## 3.5 Reasons for Opinion Related to the Mission Statement (Cont'd)

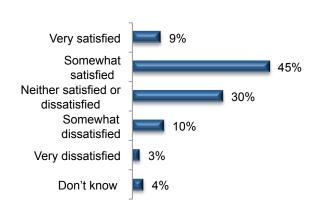
			Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total Reporting	100	171	132	33	59	69	43	

#### Areas of Improvement/Suggestions (Cont'd)

Unsure where the association advocates/ could certainly take a higher profile in the advocacy role/ don't really advocate for sustainable community planning that I've seen/ could be more APPI does to take positions on specific issues.	4	7	5	0	5	3	5
Needs to include something about regulation/ self-regulation/ standards/ ensure suitable qualifications and standards for planning practice are maintained and to regulate the profession/ include something to the effect that we regulate the practices of professional planners	4	7	5	3	2	6	5
This mission is too limiting/ is too generic/ does not address the how we meet the need/ who we serve/ what makes the Institute unique/ too internally focused developing and promoting the profession/ there are no parameters or standards against which to measure success in those aims/ I don't see how we're doing any of that/ should be what APPI does, but it certainly doesn't seem to be doing that/ We do this through our every day work and not through what APPI provides us	8	14	9	6	8	6	12
Other areas of improvement/ suggestions	9	15	11	3	8	7	12

## 3.6 APPI Progress vis-à-vis Mission Statement

## 15. How satisfied are you that APPI is making acceptable progress in fulfilling its mission statement?



Slightly more than one-half of respondents (54%) are satisfied/ somewhat satisfied with progress that APPI is making in fulfilling its mission statement.

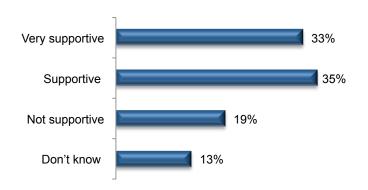
A large proportion (30%) appear to be sitting on the fence in so far as they say that they are neither satisfied or dissatisfied.

Relatively few (13%) say that they are dissatisfied with progress that is being made.

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	356	247	89	115	152	46
Very satisfied	9	33	11	7	12	9	11
Somewhat satisfied	45	159	43	51	50	40	43
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	30	105	32	25	29	28	35
Somewhat dissatisfied	10	37	10	11	5	16	2
Very dissatisfied	3	9	2	3	3	2	2
Don't know	4	13	3	3	1	5	7
Very/ somewhat satisfied	54	192	54	58	63	49	54
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	13	46	12	15	8	18	4
Average rating	3.5	-	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.6

## 3.7 Support for APPI Exclusive Right to Practice

## 16. Recognizing that it is a long term goal, are you supportive in general of APPI pursuing exclusive right to practice for RPP's in Alberta?



Over two-thirds of the member sample (68%) support in general APPI pursuing exclusive right to practice. Nineteen percent are not in support of this goal.

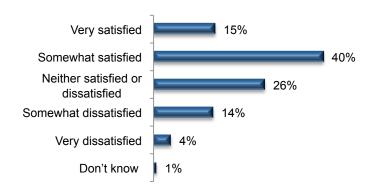
Overall, Candidate members are less supportive of this goal and more likely to say that they "don't know" how they feel about this issue.

			Professional status			1	
	Total	otal Total		Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	356	248	88	114	152	46
Very supportive	33	116	37	26	30	36	26
Supportive	35	125	35	32	37	34	30
Not supportive	19	68	17	23	21	19	17
Don't know	13	47	10	19	12	11	26

## 4. Evaluating APPI

## 4.1 Satisfaction with APPI Membership

## 17. When thinking about APPI in general, would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the level of member benefits and services that you receive?



Fifty-five percent of respondents say that they are very or somewhat satisfied with the level of benefits and services that they receive from APPI.

There is marked difference between RPP's (61% satisfaction) and Candidate members (39% satisfaction) on this measure.

			Professional status		Alberta City		1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	355	248	87	114	151	46
Very satisfied	15	52	17	7	18	13	24
Somewhat satisfied	40	142	44	32	42	36	28
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	26	93	22	34	23	30	28
Somewhat dissatisfied	14	50	13	17	15	15	13
Very dissatisfied	4	15	3	8	3	5	4
Don't know	1	3	1	1	0	1	2
Very/ somewhat satisfied	55	194	61	39	60	49	52
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	18	65	16	25	18	20	17
Average rating	3.5	-	3.6	3.1	3.6	3.4	3.6

## 4.2 Reasons for Opinion Related to APPI Membership

#### 17.b Why do you say that you are ... with the level of member benefits and services that you receive?

Respondents were asked to explain their opinion regarding their satisfaction with member benefits and services. Again, we have grouped these into positive comments (this page) versus areas for improvement and suggestions (following page).

	Total	Total	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied/ Neither Nor	Very/ Somewhat Dissatisfied
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	258	42	161	55

#### **Positive Comments**

Professional development/ education/ publication/ newsletter/ journal/ staying current/ number of opportunities for learning/ interesting publications	19	49	48	17	4
Events (unspecified)/ conferences (unspecified)/ excellent conferences	10	26	17	11	2
APPI staff/ office support/ volunteers/ communications from APPI/ APPI outreach	9	22	36	4	0
Networking opportunities	5	14	19	3	2
Advocacy/ involves itself in issues/ professional registration process	2	6	14	0	0
Overall positive experience (unspecified)/ overall satisfied/ you get out what you put in	7	18	12	7	2
Other positive mentions	6	16	12	7	0

### 4.2 Reasons for Opinion Related to APPI Membership (Cont'd)

	Total	Total	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied/ Neither Nor	Very/ Somewhat Dissatisfied
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	258	42	161	55

### **Areas of Improvement/Suggestions**

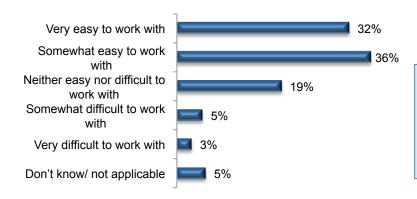
Improve/ expand professional development course/ learning/ learning unit delivery/ online streaming/ content/ professional development not good enough in light of high fees	14	35	0	19	9
APPI should better explain benefits/ offerings available to members/ I don't know what benefits I have	10	25	0	14	4
Expand geographical scope of events/ conferences/ support	7	18	0	9	7
Improve events/ conferences/ variety of events/ not good enough in light of high fees	3	8	0	5	0
Events/ conference/ lunches are not discounted sufficiently in light of high annual fees	3	8	0	1	13
Insufficient value for annual dues/ not enough benefits (unspecified)/ benefits are limited/ more benefits required/ nothing to distinguish APPI benefits from other associations (negative tone)	17	45	0	9	55
Other areas of improvement/ suggestions	21	54	0	22	33

### **Neutral Mentions**

Don't use many/ any of the benefits/ services	3	8	0	5	0
Too new to evaluate	3	9	0	6	0
Nothing specifically wrong but there is always room for improvement	3	9	0	6	0
All Other mentions	3	9	2	4	2

### 4.3 Ease of interacting with APPI

### 18. How would you rate the ease of interacting with APPI? Would you say that APPI is...

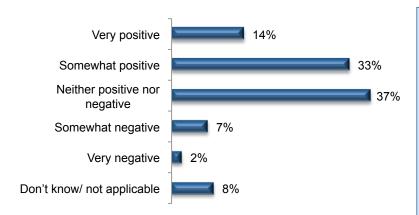


The majority (68%) believe that APPI is very or somewhat easy to work with. Very few (7%) rate the organization as difficult to work with.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	,
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	355	247	88	114	151	46
Very easy to work with	32	113	35	26	31	32	35
Somewhat easy to work with	36	127	36	35	44	29	37
Neither easy nor difficult to work with	19	69	19	20	18	21	17
Somewhat difficult to work with	5	17	4	9	3	7	4
Very difficult to work with	3	10	3	2	0	5	2
Don't know/ not applicable	5	19	4	7	4	7	4
Very/ somewhat easy to work with	68	240	70	61	75	61	72
Very/ somewhat difficult to work with	8	27	6	11	3	12	7
Average rating	3.9	-	4.0	3.8	4.1	3.8	4.0

### 4.4 APPI's Image as a Professional Regulator

## 19. How would you rate APPI's image as a professional regulator within your industry or sector? Would you say that it is...



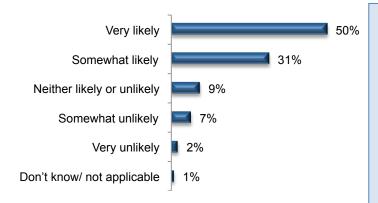
Forty-five percent of respondents rate APPI's image as a professional regulator within the industry as very or somewhat positive. This percentage is slightly higher amongst Candidate members versus RPP's.

A large proportion (37%) are neither positive nor negative.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	•
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	355	247	88	114	151	46
Very positive	14	48	14	13	16	14	13
Somewhat positive	33	117	30	39	37	31	35
Neither positive nor negative	37	131	40	30	37	34	41
Somewhat negative	7	24	7	6	3	10	4
Very negative	2	7	2	1	2	1	0
Don't know/ not applicable	8	28	6	13	6	10	7
Very/ somewhat positive	46	165	45	51	53	45	48
Very/ somewhat negative	9	31	10	7	4	11	4
Average rating	3.5	-	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.5	3.6

#### 4.5 Would Recommend APPI

20. If a peer in your profession asked you to recommend an association that would help them further their planning career, how likely is it that you would recommend applying to become certified with APPI? Would you say that it is...



In total, 50% are "very likely" to recommend membership with APPI. This percentage is higher amongst RPP's. In total, 81% are very likely or somewhat likely to recommend membership.

Relatively few, (9%) say that they would be unlikely to recommend membership.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	353	246	87	114	149	46
Very likely	50	175	56	37	54	46	57
Somewhat likely	31	110	27	38	30	32	17
Neither likely or unlikely	9	33	9	10	9	11	11
Somewhat unlikely	7	23	5	9	4	7	11
Very unlikely	2	8	2	5	3	2	0
Don't know/ not applicable	1	4	1	1	0	1	4
Very/ somewhat likely	81	285	83	75	84	78	74
Very/ somewhat unlikely	9	31	7	14	7	9	11
Average rating	4.2	-	4.3	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.2

### 4.6 Reasons for Opinion Related to Recommending Membership

## 20.b) Why do you say that you would be ... to recommend a peer in your profession to apply to become certified with APPI?

Respondents were asked to explain their opinion regarding recommending certification with APPI to a colleague. Their comments have been grouped in the following two pages. Amongst those who are unlikely to recommend certification with APPI we note a relatively large percentage who say "the APPI (or possession of RPP) does not provide enough value/ benefit(s)/ not sure the benefits are worth it."

	Total	Total	Very Likely	Somewhat Likely/ Neither Nor	Very/ Somewhat Unlikely
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	267	142	101	24

#### **Positive Mentions**

APPI (or certification) fulfills need for regulation/ code of conduct/ you meet the criteria of the profession/ consistent professionalism/ professional credibility/ RPP/ Right to Title/ Right to Practice	21	56	30	14	0
Belonging to APPI (or being certified) provides value/ you need to belong to APPI/ it's required for hiring/ APPI certification is required for employment opportunities	18	47	25	12	0
Networking/ best network/ events are good for networking	8	22	13	4	0
Reputation or recognition - APPI is right choice/ clear choice/ gold standard/ well respected/ known/ recognized	7	20	11	4	0
Professional development/ continuous learning/ information/ materials/ support/ resources/ stay up-to-date/ learning-based events	7	19	10	5	0
Peer/ professional support/ community/ learning	5	13	9	0	0
Other positive mentions	9	24	15	3	0

### 4.6 Reasons for Opinion Related to Recommending Membership (Cont'd)

	Total	Total	Very Likely	Somewhat Likely/ Neither Nor	Very/ Somewhat Unlikely
	%	N	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	267	142	101	24

### **Areas of improvement/suggestions**

APPI (or possession of RPP) does not provide enough value/ benefit(s)/ not sure the benefits are worth it	9	23	0	14	38
Certification process/ requirements too difficult	4	11	0	8	13
Benefits don't align well with my job or job of recommendee/ too specific for my job	3	9	0	5	17
Expense of fee	3	9	0	6	13
Would recommend another organization/ association/ educational path over joining APPI	3	9	0	4	21
Other areas of improvement/suggestions	7	19	3	11	17

#### **Neutral Mentions**

There is no other relevant organization at this level/ "only game in town"/ recognized as <i>the</i> professional association of planners for Alberta/ it is tied to CIP	14	37	19	8	8
Would recommend APPI, but not to everyone/ would recommend to specific types of planners but not to all/ it would depend on their career goals	8	22	2	19	0
You don't need certification to be a planner in Alberta/ some clients/ companies do not require it	10	27	1	20	25
All Other mentions	4	12	1	10	0

### **5. Overall Satisfaction with APPI Member Services**

### **5.1 Summary**

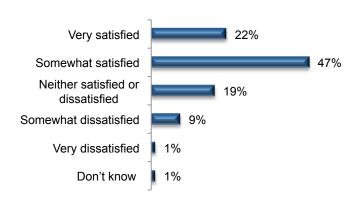
The table below summarizes the ratings given to five overall measures of satisfaction with member services. We have ranked ordered these based on the percentage who say that they are very/somewhat satisfied. We note that overall value for money and services provided allow you to be a leader in your field receive the lowest level of satisfaction and highest percentage of those who say that they are somewhat/very dissatisfied.

	Very /	Neither	Somewhat /
	Somewhat Satisfied	Satisfied / Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Overall quality of services received	69	19	10
Overall quality of information provided	68	23	8
Opportunities provided to build contacts / relationships	67	21	8
Overall value for money	48	26	23
Services provided that allow you to be a leader in your field	43	33	19

### 5.2 Overall quality of services received

## 21. How satisfied are you with each of the following general aspects of member services as a member of APPI?

### a) Overall quality of services received



Sixty-nine percent of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with the quality of services received.

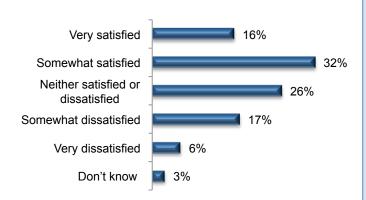
RPP's demonstrate a higher level of satisfaction with the overall quality of services that they receive.

			Professio	nal status	ı	Alberta City	/
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total	100	353	246	87	113	150	46
Very satisfied	22	79	25	17	26	17	33
Somewhat satisfied	47	166	47	45	48	46	52
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	19	67	19	20	18	24	7
Somewhat dissatisfied	9	31	7	14	7	9	4
Very dissatisfied	1	5	2	1	0	3	2
Don't know	1	5	0	3	2	1	2
Very/ somewhat satisfied	69	245	72	62	73	63	85
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	10	36	9	15	7	11	7
Average rating	3.8	-	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.7	4.1

### 5.3 Overall value for money

## 21. How satisfied are you with each of the following general aspects of member services as a member of APPI?

b) Overall value for money



In total, 48% of respondents are very or somewhat satisfied with the overall value of their membership.

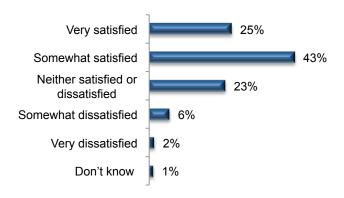
We note that Candidate members are express and much higher degree of dissatisfaction with the value of their membership.

We also note a discrepancy in satisfaction between members in Calgary and Edmonton versus other locations.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	350	243	87	111	150	46
Very satisfied	16	57	20	9	18	17	13
Somewhat satisfied	32	113	36	22	35	31	26
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	26	90	23	31	26	24	35
Somewhat dissatisfied	17	61	15	24	15	17	17
Very dissatisfied	6	20	5	10	2	9	7
Don't know	3	9	2	3	4	2	2
Very/ somewhat satisfied	48	170	56	31	53	48	39
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	23	81	19	34	17	26	24
Average rating	3.4	-	3.5	3.0	3.5	3.3	3.2

### 5.4 Overall quality of information provided by APPI

- 21. How satisfied are you with each of the following general aspects of member services as a member of APPI?
  - c) Overall quality of information provided by APPI



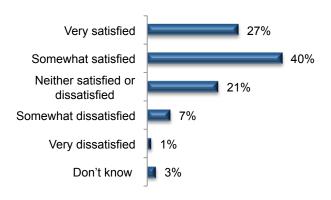
Over two-thirds of respondents are satisfied with the quality of information provided.

Again, we see RPP's demonstrating a higher level of satisfaction.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	353	246	87	113	150	46
Very satisfied	25	87	27	17	29	23	30
Somewhat satisfied	43	153	44	39	45	41	35
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	23	80	22	26	19	23	30
Somewhat dissatisfied	6	22	5	9	4	9	2
Very dissatisfied	2	6	2	2	2	1	2
Don't know	1	5	0	6	1	2	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	68	240	72	56	74	64	65
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	8	28	7	12	5	11	4
Average rating	3.8	-	3.9	3.6	4.0	3.8	3.9

### 5.5 Opportunities provided to build contacts / relationships

- 21. How satisfied are you with each of the following general aspects of member services as a member of APPI?
  - d) Opportunities provided to build contacts / relationships



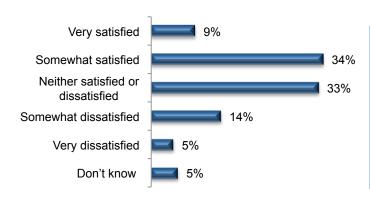
Over two-thirds (67%) are satisfied with opportunities provided by APPI to build contacts and relationships.

Candidate levels of dissatisfaction are somewhat higher when compared to RPP's. Also we note higher levels of dissatisfaction in Edmonton and other locations.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	353	246	87	113	150	46
Very satisfied	27	96	28	25	30	24	33
Somewhat satisfied	40	142	41	38	40	43	26
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	21	75	23	18	22	21	26
Somewhat dissatisfied	7	25	5	11	4	9	11
Very dissatisfied	1	5	1	2	2	1	2
Don't know	3	10	2	5	3	3	2
Very/ somewhat satisfied	67	238	69	63	70	67	59
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	9	30	6	14	5	10	13
Average rating	3.9	-	3.9	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.8

### 5.6 Services provided that allow you be a leader in your field

- 21. How satisfied are you with each of the following general aspects of member services as a member of APPI?
  - e) Services provided that allow you be a leader in your field



Satisfaction on this particular dimension is lower than other dimensions measured.

In total, 19% are dissatisfied in this area. This is somewhat more likely to be the case amongst RPP's.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	•
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	352	245	87	113	149	46
Very satisfied	9	31	11	5	7	11	11
Somewhat satisfied	34	120	33	36	41	28	33
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	33	117	32	38	31	34	35
Somewhat dissatisfied	14	49	15	8	12	16	11
Very dissatisfied	5	16	4	8	4	5	7
Don't know	5	19	5	6	4	6	4
Very/ somewhat satisfied	43	151	43	40	48	39	43
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	18	65	20	16	17	21	17
Average rating	3.3	-	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.3

## **6. Rating Specific APPI Benefits and Services**

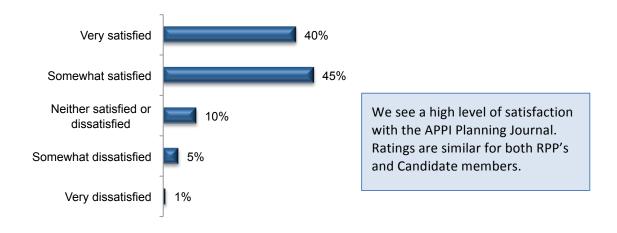
### 6.1 Summary

The table below summarizes the ratings given to twelve specific benefits and services offered by APPI. Again, we have ranked ordered these based on the percentage who say that they are very/somewhat satisfied.

	Very /	Neither	Somewhat /
	Somewhat	Satisfied /	Very
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Planning Journal	85	10	6
Event Notices	81	17	2
E Notices	73	24	3
Weekly E News	72	25	3
Job Opportunities	72	22	5
Website	68	22	10
Online Payment System	68	29	4
Consultant Directory	56	39	5
APPI RPP List	56	40	4
Posting of non APPI events	39	45	16
APPI Social Media Sites	37	54	10
Volunteer opportunities with Non APPI Entities	31	54	16

### **6.2 APPI Planning Journal**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:a) APPI Planning Journal

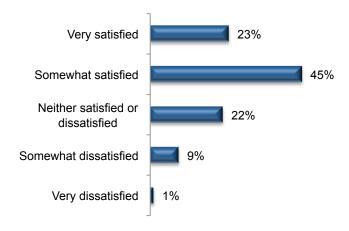


			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	•
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	339	239	83	109	148	43
Very satisfied	40	134	41	33	44	36	47
Somewhat satisfied	45	152	45	47	46	45	44
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	10	34	9	12	7	12	7
Somewhat dissatisfied	5	16	5	6	3	5	2
Very dissatisfied	1	3	0	2	0	1	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	84	286	86	80	90	82	91
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	6	19	5	8	3	6	2
Average rating	4.2	-	4.2	4.0	4.3	4.1	4.3

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

#### 6.3 APPI website

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:b) APPI website



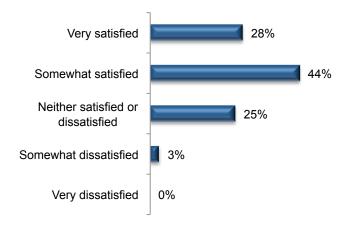
Satisfaction related to the APPI website is relatively high.
However, we note, that Candidate members are somewhat more likely to register their dissatisfaction. (16% versus 7% of RPP's).

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	337	233	85	111	143	44
Very satisfied	23	79	24	22	24	22	27
Somewhat satisfied	45	152	47	39	50	42	50
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	22	73	21	22	21	24	16
Somewhat dissatisfied	9	29	6	14	5	10	7
Very dissatisfied	1	4	1	2	1	2	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	69	231	72	61	74	64	77
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	10	33	7	16	5	13	7
Average rating	3.8	-	3.9	3.6	3.9	3.7	4.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.4 APPI weekly E News**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:c) APPI weekly E News



Generally respondents are satisfied with the APPI weekly E News. A very small percentage note any dissatisfaction.

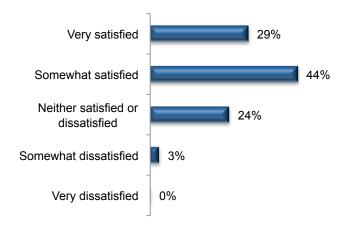
Candidate members are more likely to be neither satisfied or dissatisfied.

			Professio	Professional status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	320	224	79	106	137	42
Very satisfied	28	88	30	22	30	26	26
Somewhat satisfied	44	142	47	37	45	41	52
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	25	81	20	38	22	30	19
Somewhat dissatisfied	3	9	3	4	3	3	2
Very dissatisfied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	72	230	77	58	75	67	79
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	3	9	3	4	3	3	2
Average rating	4.0	-	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.9	4.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

#### **6.5 APPI E Notices**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:d) APPI E Notices



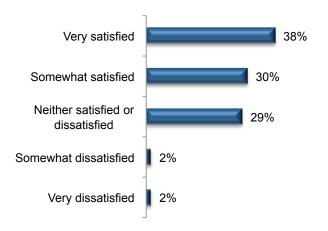
We see mostly a satisfied respondents with regards to APPI E Notices. Once again, Candidate members are more likely to sit on the fence. Almost one-third (32%) are neither satisfied or dissatisfied.

				Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total Reporting	100	314	222	77	104	133	41	
Very satisfied	29	92	32	22	38	24	32	
Somewhat satisfied	44	138	46	39	38	44	54	
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	24	74	20	32	21	29	12	
Somewhat dissatisfied	3	9	2	5	3	2	2	
Very dissatisfied	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	
Very/ somewhat satisfied	73	230	78	61	75	68	85	
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	3	10	2	6	4	2	2	
Average rating	4.0	-	4.1	3.8	4.1	3.9	4.1	

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.6 APPI Online Payment System**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:e) APPI Online Payment System



Over two-thirds (68%) are satisfied with the online payment system.

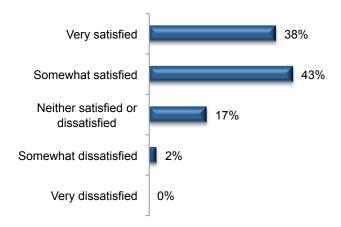
Candidate members are less impressed with the system when compared to their RPP colleagues.

			Professio	Professional status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	256	188	58	88	100	35
Very satisfied	38	98	39	31	42	37	29
Somewhat satisfied	30	77	34	24	28	28	40
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	29	73	26	36	26	32	31
Somewhat dissatisfied	2	4	1	3	2	2	0
Very dissatisfied	2	4	1	5	1	1	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	68	175	73	55	70	65	69
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	3	8	2	9	3	3	0
Average rating	4.0	-	4.1	3.7	4.1	4.0	4.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

#### **6.7 APPI Event Notices**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items: f) APPI Event Notices



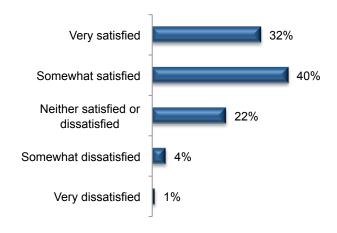
There is a high degree of satisfaction with APPI event notices. This spans both member classifications. Although, having said that, RPP's are somewhat more likely to be "very satisfied"

				Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total Reporting	100	337	237	82	109	146	44	
Very satisfied	38	127	40	30	45	35	41	
Somewhat satisfied	43	144	43	46	37	46	41	
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	17	58	16	18	17	17	16	
Somewhat dissatisfied	2	8	1	5	2	2	2	
Very dissatisfied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Very/ somewhat satisfied	80	271	83	77	82	81	82	
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	2	8	1	5	2	2	2	
Average rating	4.2	-	4.2	4.0	4.2	4.1	4.2	

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.8 Job Opportunities**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:g) Job Opportunities



This feature also receives high levels of satisfaction.

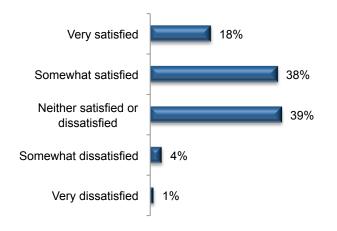
We see that Candidate members have higher satisfaction ratings.

			Professio	nal status	,	Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	309	214	78	105	129	40
Very satisfied	32	100	32	35	35	33	33
Somewhat satisfied	40	125	40	44	36	40	45
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	22	68	24	15	22	24	18
Somewhat dissatisfied	4	13	3	5	6	3	2
Very dissatisfied	1	3	0	1	1	0	2
Very/ somewhat satisfied	73	225	72	78	71	73	78
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	5	16	4	6	7	3	5
Average rating	4.0	-	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.9 Consultant Directory**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:h) Consultant Directory



Candidate members are somewhat more favourable in their ratings of the consultant directory.

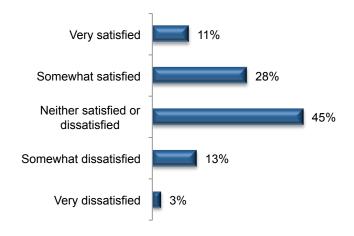
We note a relatively large percentage of responses that fall into the "neither satisfied or dissatisfied" category.

			Professio	nal status	,	Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	248	179	55	84	98	36
Very satisfied	18	45	18	18	18	18	22
Somewhat satisfied	38	94	37	44	35	46	22
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	39	97	42	29	44	33	50
Somewhat dissatisfied	4	9	2	5	2	2	6
Very dissatisfied	1	3	0	4	1	1	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	56	139	55	62	52	64	44
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	5	12	2	9	4	3	6
Average rating	3.7	-	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.6

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.10 Posting of non APPI events**

23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:i) Posting of non APPI events



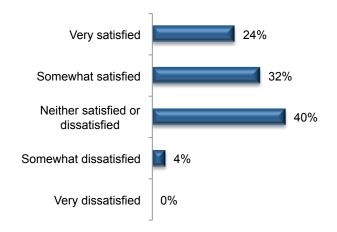
We note a relatively large percentage of respondents express dissatisfaction for this feature. This is most likely to be the case amongst members in Calgary.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	/
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	256	180	62	86	103	38
Very satisfied	11	28	12	10	10	14	13
Somewhat satisfied	28	72	28	26	33	26	18
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	45	115	44	45	37	45	55
Somewhat dissatisfied	13	34	13	16	16	12	13
Very dissatisfied	3	7	3	3	3	4	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	39	100	40	35	43	40	32
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	16	41	16	19	20	16	13
Average rating	3.3	-	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.11 APPI RPP List**

# 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items: j) APPI RPP List



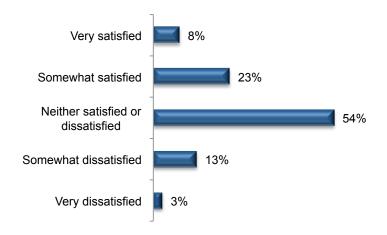
RPP's appear to be satisfied with this benefit. We suspect that Candidate members are less likely to be using this list and are therefore more inclined to say that they are neither satisfied or dissatisfied.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	225	162	49	74	93	35
Very satisfied	24	55	27	18	31	20	29
Somewhat satisfied	32	72	35	27	32	33	31
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	40	89	36	49	34	41	37
Somewhat dissatisfied	4	9	2	6	3	5	3
Very dissatisfied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	56	127	61	45	64	54	60
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	4	9	2	6	3	5	3
Average rating	3.8	-	3.9	3.6	3.9	3.7	3.9

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### **6.12 Volunteer Opportunities with Non APPI Entities**

- 23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:
  - k) Volunteer Opportunities with Non APPI Entities



The majority of respondents (54%) are neither satisfied or dissatisfied with this item. We wonder if this tendency to take the mid-ground is based on unfamiliarity with this item.

Candidate members are more likely to express a level of dissatisfaction.

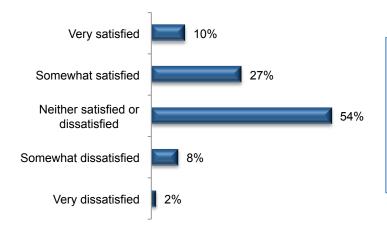
			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	216	152	53	68	87	34
Very satisfied	8	17	9	6	6	11	9
Somewhat satisfied	23	49	22	26	26	20	21
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	54	116	56	47	49	55	59
Somewhat dissatisfied	13	28	11	15	16	9	12
Very dissatisfied	3	6	2	6	3	5	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	31	66	31	32	32	31	29
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	16	34	13	21	19	14	12
Average rating	3.2	-	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 6.13 APPI Social Media Sites (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter)

23. Below is a list of benefits and services that APPI provides. Please indicate your satisfaction with these items:

I) APPI Social Media Sites (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter)



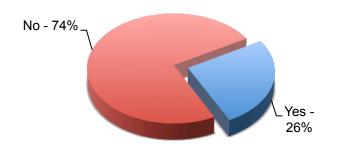
Over one-third are satisfied with APPI social media sites. Once again, however we see a over half of respondents are neither satisfied or dissatisfied. Does this suggest that a large proportion are not using or aware of these items?

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	198	140	48	69	77	25
Very satisfied	10	20	11	8	12	12	8
Somewhat satisfied	27	53	25	29	33	19	28
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	54	106	56	46	54	51	56
Somewhat dissatisfied	8	16	7	13	1	14	8
Very dissatisfied	2	3	1	4	0	4	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	37	73	36	37	45	31	36
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	10	19	8	17	1	18	8
Average rating	3.4	-	3.4	3.2	3.6	3.2	3.4

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 6.14 Other items that should be included on the APPI website

### 25. Are there other items that you think should be included on the APPI website?



A minority of members (26%) believe that there are other items that should be included on the APPI website.

RPP's are more likely to be suggesting the inclusion of additional items.

			Professio	nal status	Alberta City			
	Total Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other		
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total Reporting	100	273	194	66	90	115	35	
Yes	26	71	29	18	27	30	14	
No	74	202	71	82	73	70	86	

### 7. APPI Learning Opportunities

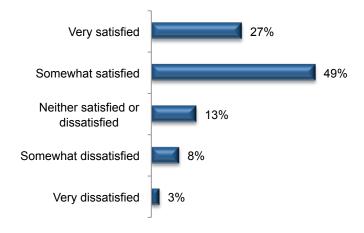
### 7.1 Summary

The table below summarizes the ratings given to four APPI learning opportunities. We have ranked these based on the percentage who are very/somewhat satisfied. We note that courses receive the lowest percent who are very/somewhat satisfied and highest percent who are somewhat/very dissatisfied.

		Neither	Somewhat /
	Very/Somewhat	Satisfied /	Very
	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
	%	%	%
Regional events	76	13	11
Sessions at the conference	69	22	9
Workshops	62	26	12
Courses	55	31	14

### 7.2 Regional events (presentations, tours, films)

26. Below is a list of activities that APPI provided in the last fiscal year. Please indicate whether you were satisfied or dissatisfied with those that you attended:
a) Regional events (presentations, tours, films)



Seventy-six percent of respondents are very/somewhat satisfied with regional events. This level of satisfaction is consistent amongst RPP's and Candidate members.

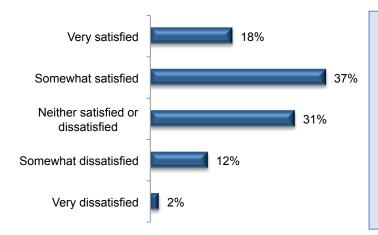
			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	275	197	62	96	115	31
Very satisfied	27	74	26	24	32	23	29
Somewhat satisfied	49	134	49	55	46	56	42
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	13	37	14	10	11	12	16
Somewhat dissatisfied	8	23	8	10	8	7	10
Very dissatisfied	3	7	3	2	2	3	3
Very/ somewhat satisfied	76	208	75	79	78	78	71
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	11	30	11	11	10	10	13
Average rating	3.9	-	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	3.8

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 7.3 Satisfaction with APPI Learning Activities: Courses

26. Below is a list of activities that APPI provided in the last fiscal year. Please indicate whether you were satisfied or dissatisfied with those that you attended:

b) Courses



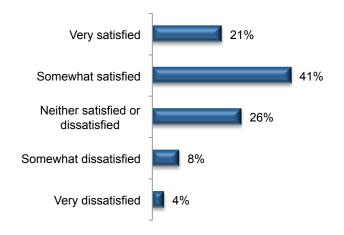
Of the four learning activities, courses received the lowest level of satisfaction. They also received the highest level of those saying they are neither satisfied or dissatisfied. Despite the fact that the question specifically asked respondents to rate activities they had attended, we speculate that some members are not aware or have not experienced this learning opportunity.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	1
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	211	160	41	78	79	28
Very satisfied	18	37	17	15	19	16	18
Somewhat satisfied	37	79	38	39	35	39	39
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	31	65	29	34	36	28	29
Somewhat dissatisfied	12	26	13	12	10	13	14
Very dissatisfied	2	4	2	0	0	4	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	55	116	56	54	54	56	57
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	14	30	16	12	10	16	14
Average rating	3.6	-	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.6

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 7.4 Satisfaction with APPI Learning Activities: Workshops

26. Below is a list of activities that APPI provided in the last fiscal year. Please indicate whether you were satisfied or dissatisfied with those that you attended: c) Workshops



Approximately two-thirds (62%) of respondents are satisfied with workshops. This satisfaction level is slightly higher amongst RPP's.

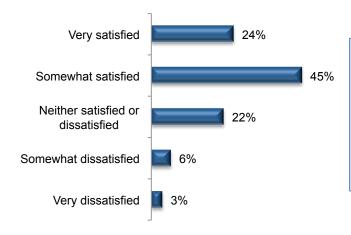
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	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	223	167	44	84	81	30
Very satisfied	21	46	20	18	23	19	27
Somewhat satisfied	41	92	43	39	45	40	40
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	26	59	23	36	24	28	27
Somewhat dissatisfied	8	18	10	5	8	7	7
Very dissatisfied	4	8	4	2	0	6	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	62	138	63	57	68	58	67
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	12	26	14	7	8	14	7
Average rating	3.7	-	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.9

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 7.5 Satisfaction with APPI Learning Activities: Sessions at the conference

26. Below is a list of activities that APPI provided in the last fiscal year. Please indicate whether you were satisfied or dissatisfied with those that you attended:

d) Sessions at the conference



Slightly over two-thirds of our member sample (69%) are satisfied with the sessions at the conference.

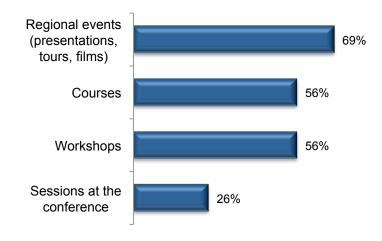
A higher percentage of Candidate members put themselves into the satisfied category.

			Professio	nal status		Alberta City	,
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	237	171	54	80	97	30
Very satisfied	24	58	23	24	25	27	23
Somewhat satisfied	45	106	44	54	46	43	47
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	22	51	22	17	23	18	30
Somewhat dissatisfied	6	14	6	4	4	7	0
Very dissatisfied	3	8	4	2	3	5	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	69	164	67	78	71	70	70
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	9	22	11	6	6	12	0
Average rating	3.8	-	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.9

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages based on respondents who evaluated this statement (i.e. not including Don't know/ Not applicable)

### 7.6 Learning Opportunities that Should be Offered more Frequently

# 28. What types of activities/ events/ courses/ sessions/ tours/ other would you like to see offered more frequently?



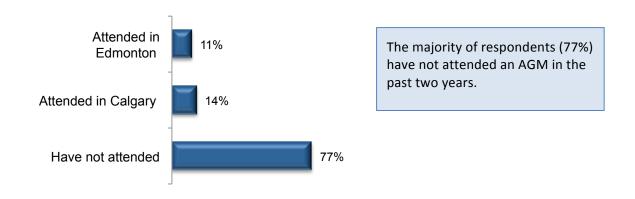
Respondents are most likely to indicate that they would like to see more regional events.

			Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other	
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%	
Total Reporting	100	308	215	78	107	126	43	
Regional events (presentations, tours, films)	69	211	67	71	67	75	70	
Courses	56	172	55	62	58	52	63	
Workshops	56	172	55	58	49	60	65	
Sessions at the conference	26	79	28	18	22	26	26	

### 8. APPI AGM

### 8.1 Attended AGM(s)

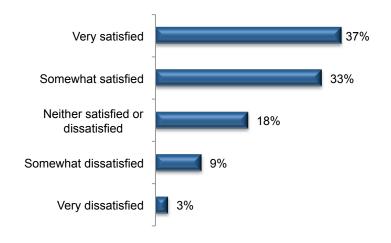
### 30. Have you attended an AGM in either Edmonton or Calgary within the past two years?



			Professio	Professional status		Alberta City			
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other		
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%		
Total Reporting	100	333	230	85	109	143	43		
Attended an AGM in Edmonton	11	37	13	6	4	18	2		
Attended an AGM in Calgary	14	46	17	8	28	6	14		
Have not attended an AGM in the past two years	77	257	72	87	72	78	84		

### 8.2 Satisfaction with the AGM(s)

### 31. What was your level of satisfaction with the AGM(s) that you attended?



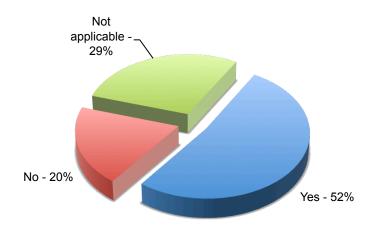
Seventy percent of respondents were satisfied with the AGM they attended.

Satisfaction with the Edmonton AGM was higher than the Calgary AGM.

			Professio	nal status	Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	76	64	11	30	31	7
Very satisfied	37	28	39	27	33	45	29
Somewhat satisfied	33	25	31	36	27	39	43
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	18	14	17	27	20	13	29
Somewhat dissatisfied	9	7	9	9	13	3	0
Very dissatisfied	3	2	3	0	7	0	0
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not applicable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Very/ somewhat satisfied	70	53	70	64	60	84	71
Very/ somewhat dissatisfied	12	9	13	9	20	3	0
Average rating	3.9	-	3.9	3.8	3.7	4.3	4.0

### 8.3 Support for AGM in Red Deer

### 32. Would you be in support of an AGM located in Red Deer?



Slightly over half (52%) of respondents support having an AGM located in Red Deer.

			Professional status		Alberta City		
	Total	Total	RPP	Candi- date	Calgary	Edmon- ton	Other
	%	N	%	%	%	%	%
Total Reporting	100	339	235	86	112	145	43
Yes	52	176	57	37	48	52	58
No	19	66	19	23	20	21	14
Not applicable	29	97	24	40	32	26	28