

Highlights of Greater Moncton Community Report Card



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Satisfaction with Municipal Governments:

- 87 % rated municipal governments Good or Excellent
- Quite a few smiles among municipal councillors in the room when that data was shared

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Rating Municipal Services:

- Water Services, Green Spaces, Recreational Facilities, Garbage Collection, Police Services - all rated 88 per cent or higher with Good or Excellent ratings.
- Public Transit Affordability, Snow Clearing and Bus Stop Locations were the next set, with positive ratings between 79 to 80 per cent.
- **Then came bus wait times (62%), bus schedules (58%) and road maintenance (52%) as least favourable.**



Support for Amalgamation:

- **40% strongly or somewhat support**
- 22% neither support nor oppose
- 33% oppose or strongly oppose
- Support highest in Moncton and lowest in Riverview

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Plebiscite on Amalgamation:

- 48% say they support a plebiscite
- 22% neither support nor oppose
- Only 19% oppose a plebiscite
- **So the story seems to be “We don’t necessarily want amalgamation, but please ask us the question.”**

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Support for Joint Infrastructure Projects:

- 68% support or strongly support
- Only 9% oppose
- Already a great deal happening in this area among the three municipalities

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Quality of Life:

- Very high scores for 'good place to raise a family', commute times, good place to grow old, recreational facilities, easy to get around

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Perceptions of the Economy:

- 62% rated economy 'good' or 'excellent'
- 30% rated economy 'fair'
- **Only 3% rated it 'poor'**

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Expectations of the Economy Next Year:

- 87% expected economy to be the same or better (and the 'same' is pretty good right now)
- **Only 4% thought it would be worse**

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Start a Business or Grow an Existing Business:

- Between 48 and 53% rate it as 'Good' or 'Excellent'
- **Only 8% think we are a 'Poor' place to start a business; 5% think we are 'Poor' to grow an existing business**

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Cost of Food and Groceries:

- Are they affordable? 58% say 'Yes'
- One-in-four say they have made a choice between food and other life necessities
- **These are wake-up calls on affordability in our region**

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Poverty:

- Compared to 10 years ago, 37% says it is a much or slightly bigger problem than 10 years ago
- **Another wake-up call. All segments of our community need to enjoy some degree of economic success**

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Carbon Tax:

- **Only 40% support the federal government's tax on carbon**
- **Highest among 18-34**
- Only half of respondents said they would pay any extra on the price of gas to combat climate change

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Downtown Vibrancy:

- 71% completely or partially agree their downtown is vibrant
- 67% believe it is a better place than it was a year ago
- **Expect these numbers to climb as investments continue**

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Concerns around parking at Downtown Centre:

- 74% concerned
- 45% said they would be willing to take public transit to an event (an opportunity)
- **We don't expect to see this number remain high a year from now**

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Safety:

- 84% of people feel mostly or very safe in their neighbourhoods.

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Immigration:

- 55% support or strongly support increasing immigration
- 23% neither support nor oppose
- **Only 19% oppose increased immigration. (Compared to provincial survey a year ago showing 68% of respondents think we have enough or too much immigration)**

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