

Key Polling Results: Oil & Gas, Jobs, Climate Targets

Conducted between September 13 and 26, 2023

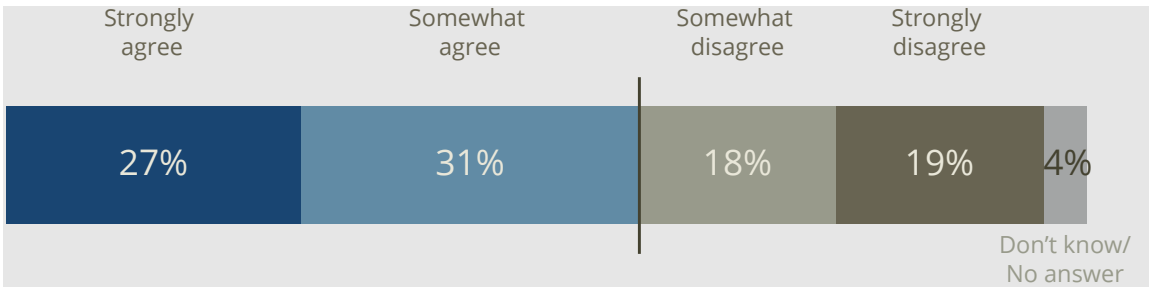
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Methodology

Survey questions were administered through the TrendWatch Alberta Omnibus Survey, under the direction of Janet Brown Opinion Research, between September 13 and 26, 2023. TrendWatch Alberta is a monthly omnibus survey of 900 Albertans, ages 18 and over. The margin of error for a probability sample of 900 people is plus or minus 3.3 percentage points, 19 times out of 20 (i.e., at a 95% confidence interval).

Please indicate whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements:

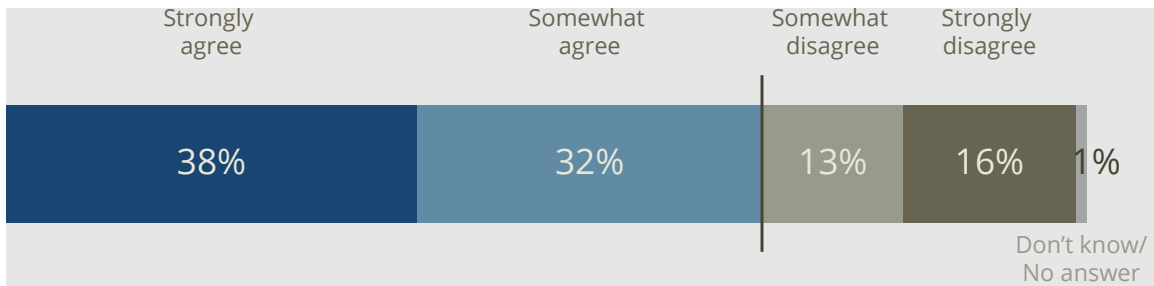
Alberta’s economy will benefit if the oil and gas industry reduces emissions.



- 27% Strongly agree
- 31% Somewhat agree
- 18% Somewhat disagree
- 19% Strongly disagree
- 4% Don't know / No answer

Overall, 58% support while 37% oppose.

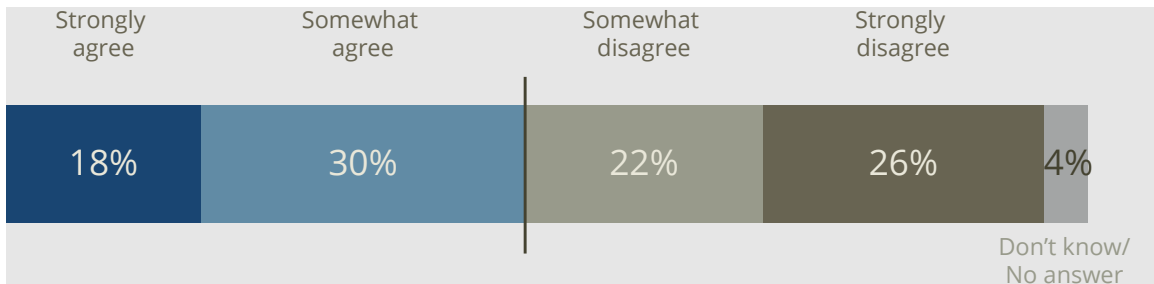
Alberta's economy is too dependent on oil and gas.



- 38% Strongly agree
- 32% Somewhat agree
- 13% Somewhat disagree
- 16% Strongly disagree
- 1% Don't know / No answer

Overall, 70% support while 29% oppose.

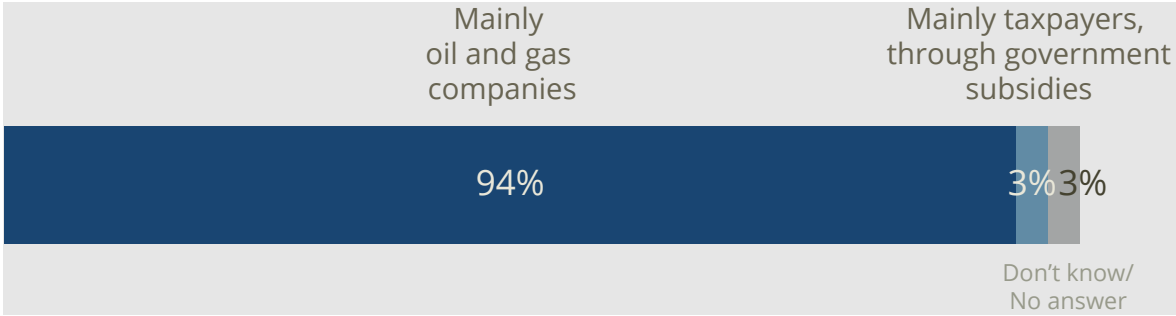
In 15 years' time, global demand for oil and gas will start to decline.



- 18% Strongly agree
- 30% Somewhat agree
- 22% Somewhat disagree
- 26% Strongly disagree
- 4% Don't know / No answer

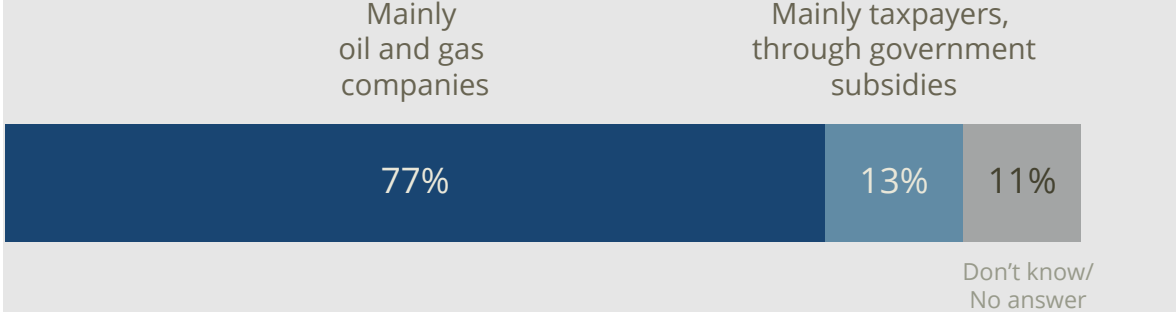
Overall, 48% support while 48% oppose.

It is estimated there are about 170,000 inactive and abandoned oil and gas wells in Alberta. Companies are required by law to reclaim their wellsites. Who should pay for the clean up of these well? Should it be:



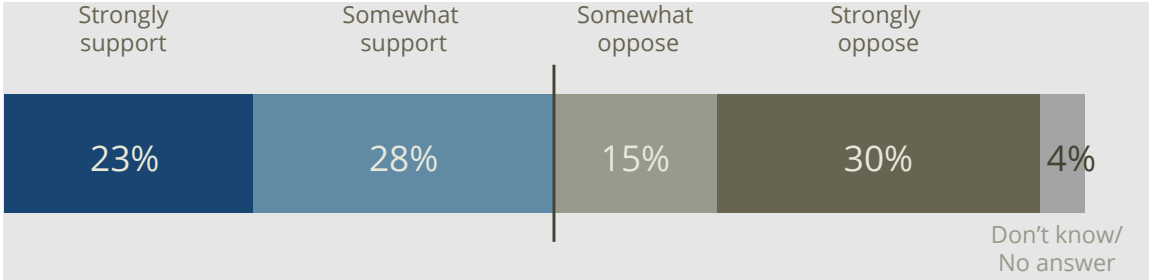
- 94% Mainly oil and gas companies
- 3% Mainly taxpayers, through government subsidies
- 3% Don't know / No answer

As the oil and gas sector works toward reducing emissions, who should pay for the costs associated with reducing emissions? Should it be:



- 77% Mainly oil and gas companies
- 13% Mainly taxpayers, through government subsidies
- 11% Don't know / No answer

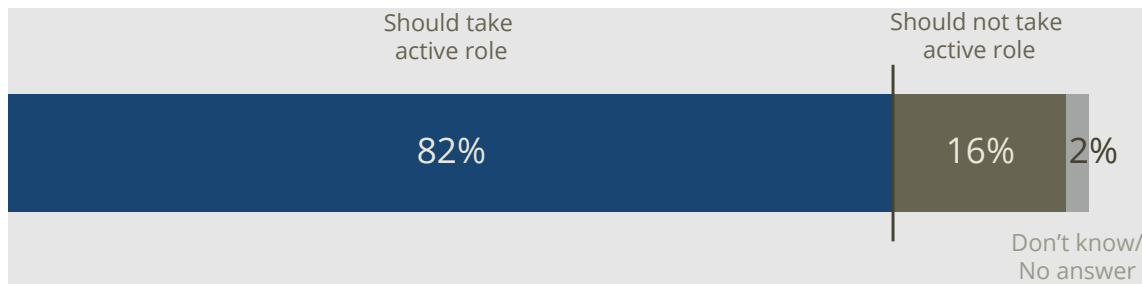
While the federal government has set an overall goal of net-zero by 2050, it has set the goal of a net-zero electricity grid by 2035. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the goal of a net-zero electricity grid by 2035?



- 23% Strongly support
- 28% Somewhat support
- 15% Somewhat oppose
- 30% Strongly oppose
- 4% Don't know / No answer

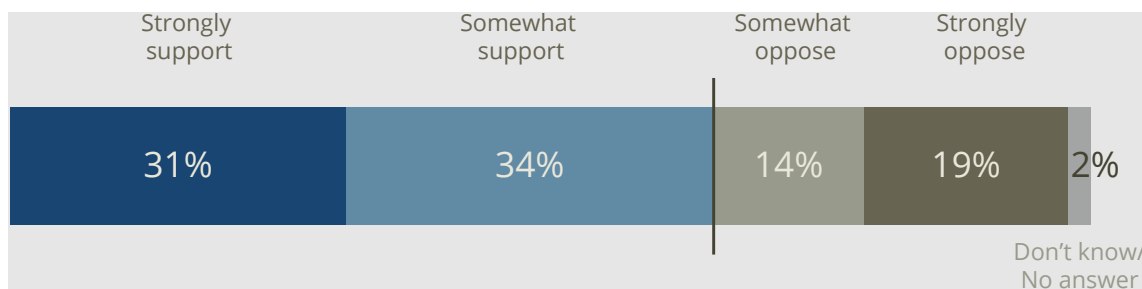
Overall, 51% support while 45% oppose.

Thinking about how jobs in the energy sector may change in the future, do you think the Government of Alberta should or should not be taking an active role in planning for future job opportunities for energy workers?



- 82% Should take active role
- 16% Should not take active role
- 2% Don't know / No answer

Many countries and businesses have committed to a target of net-zero emissions by 2050, and the Canadian federal government has also set a goal of net-zero emissions by 2050. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the goal of net-zero emissions by 2050?

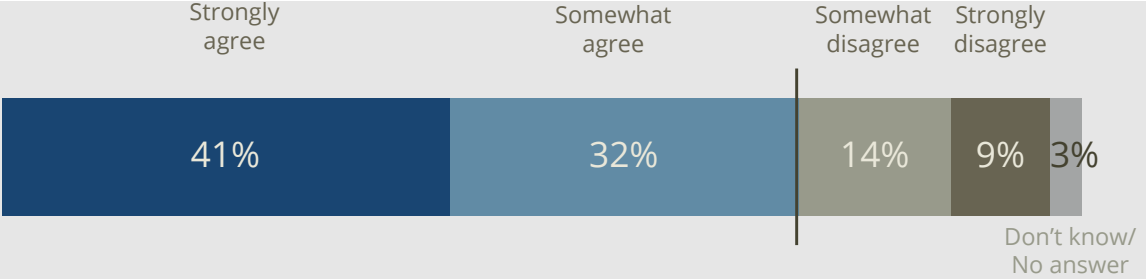


- 31% Strongly support
- 34% Somewhat support
- 14% Somewhat oppose
- 19% Strongly oppose
- 2% Don't know / No answer

Overall, 65% support while 33% oppose.

Please indicate whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements:

The Government of Alberta should be trying to get more funding from the federal government to support the development of a clean energy sector.



- 41% Strongly agree
- 32% Somewhat agree
- 14% Somewhat disagree
- 9% Strongly disagree
- 3% Don't know / No answer

Overall, 73% agree while 23% disagree.