

RANCHERS CALL FOR MORATORIUM ON SOUTHEASTERN SLOPES
Survey shows 74 per cent of Albertans in favour

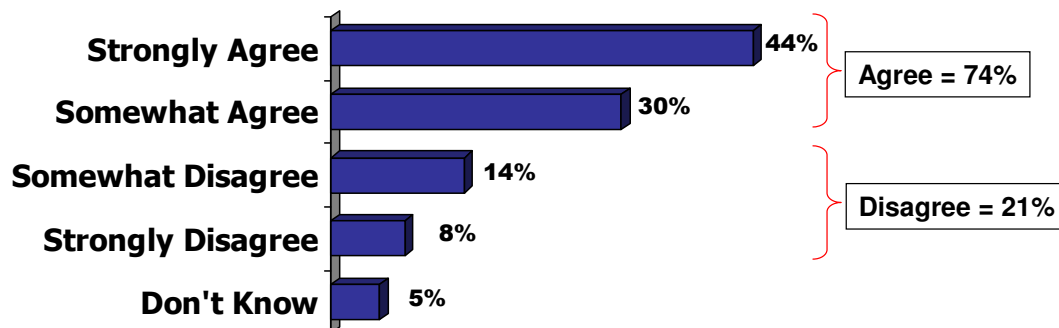
Polling Research Backgrounder

Question:

In addition to opposing Petro-Canada's application, some South East Slopes residents and other groups are calling on government to put a moratorium on any further oil and gas development until the provincial government has finalized a Land Use Framework to plan and balance future development for this sensitive region. Do you agree or disagree with such a moratorium?

Overall, almost three-quarters (74%) of Albertans agree with a moratorium on any further oil and gas development in the south East Slopes.

Level of agreement for the government to put a moratorium on any further oil and gas development until the provincial government has finalized a land use framework to plan and balance future development for this sensitive region



The question was included in Leger Marketing's Omni Alberta Study in September 2008. A total of 900 respondents completed the telephone survey from September 18th to September 29th, 2008.

32% Edmonton CMA
33% Calgary CMA
35% Other areas of Alberta

The overall results fall within a margin of error of +/-3.3%, nineteen times out of twenty. Post data collection, the results were weighted by age, gender and region, to reflect the population of Alberta.

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