# Aside from a high quality public education, what would you say is the biggest issue facing Ontario's children and youth these days, that is, the one thing that should be a priority for people in the province in ensuring the well-being of young people?

				REG	ION				AGE		GEI	NDER
	Total	ВС	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents											l.	
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
Just education	10%	-	-	-	10%	-	-	9%	11%	10%	10%	10%
Drugs and alcohol	10%	-	-	-	10%	-	-	15%	9%	5%	10%	10%
Community programs/extra-curricular activities	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	10%	7%	7%	8%	7%
Healthcare	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	8%	8%	8%	5%	10%
Strong family support/guidance	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	6%	5%	11%	7%	8%
Aggression/Violence	7%	-	-	-	7%	-	-	8%	10%	3%	7%	8%
Morals/values/role models	7%	-	-	=	7%	-	-	6%	7%	8%	8%	6%
Unemployment	7%	-	-	=	7%	-	-	6%	9%	4%	8%	5%
Discipline	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	4%	2%	7%	5%	3%
Dysfunctional household	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	2%	5%	5%	5%	3%
Poverty	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	4%	4%	1%	2%	4%
Family/Social Services/youth/child protection	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	2%	2%	6%	1%	5%
Homelessness	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Physical fitness/sports activities	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Career development/permanent employment opportunities	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	=	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Sexual activity	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Crime/Young Offenders Act	1%	-	-	=	1%	-	-	-	3%	1%	1%	1%
Nutrition	1%	-	=	-	1%	-	-	-	1%	2%	1%	1%
Safety/security	1%	-	=	-	1%	-	-	1%	1%	-	0	1%
AIDS	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	-
Suicide	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	1%	-	0	0
Depression	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	1%	-	-	0	-
Other	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	4%	5%	5%	7%	2%
Nothing	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	1%	-	1%	1%	0
(DK/NS)	6%	-	-	-	6%	-	-	5%	4%	9%	7%	5%

### When thinking about children's and youth's mental health, what specific things come to mind as being issues or problems?

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	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
Drug and alcohol abuse	10%	-	-	-	10%	-	=	8%	12%	11%	12%	8%
Peer pressure	9%	-	-	-	9%	-	-	12%	11%	4%	9%	9%
Family problems/family breakdown	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	9%	9%	8%	5%	11%
Safety/family support	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	6%	9%	11%	7%	9%
Sadness and depression	8%	-	-	-	8%	-	-	9%	9%	4%	6%	9%
Lack of discipline/supervision	7%	-	-	-	7%	-	-	5%	8%	9%	8%	6%
Stress and worry	7%	-	-	-	7%	-	-	6%	8%	7%	6%	8%
Too much TV/video games	6%	-	-	-	6%	-	-	4%	8%	6%	5%	7%
Self-esteem	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	6%	4%	1%	3%	4%
Problem behaviour such as vandalism	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	4%	2%	6%	4%	4%
Problems concentrating on schoolwork	4%	-	-	-	4%	-	-	3%	3%	6%	3%	4%
Anger and aggression	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	5%	1%	4%	3%	4%
Anxiety/Stress disorders	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%
Society demands/pressure	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Physical and emotional abuse	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	4%	4%	-	3%	3%
Body image	3%	-	-	-	3%	-	-	5%	2%	1%	3%	2%
Lack of resources for Special Needs	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	_	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%
children					-/-				.,.	-/-	.,,	-,-
Thinking about or attempting suicide	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Lack of youth resources/funding	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	1%	4%	-	1%	3%
Student-teacher relations	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Better medical care	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Eating disorders	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Bullying	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Lack of mental health resources for youth	1%	_	-	_	1%	-	_	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%
Need for role models/guidance	1%	_	-	_	1%	-	_	2%	2%	-	2%	1%
Sleep disorders	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%
Nutrition and physical activity	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	2%	1%	2%	0
Poverty	1%	-	_	_	1%	_	_	1%	1%	1%	0	1%
Values/morals	1%	-	_	_	1%	_	-	-	2%	-	1%	1%
Other	9%	-	-	-	9%	-	-	9%	8%	11%	8%	10%
Nothing	2%	-	-	_	2%	-	-	2%	1%	2%	3%	- 1370
(DK/NS)	11%				11%			10%	8%	15%	12%	10%
(DIVINO)	11/0	-	-	-	11/0	-	-	10 /0	U /0	10 /0	12/0	10 /0

### TOP2BOX SUMMARY TABLE (Related: 6,7)

I'm going to read you a list of symptoms and behaviours related to children and youth. On a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 means totally unrelated and 7 means totally related, please tell me to what extent you think each one is related to a problem which requires mental health treatment.

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Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
Sadness and depression	62%	-	-	-	62%	-	-	67%	66%	50%	52%	70%
Stress and worry	40%	-	-	-	40%	-	-	40%	45%	35%	31%	49%
Thinking about or attempting suicide	77%	-	-	-	77%	-	-	82%	79%	70%	76%	79%
Problems concentrating on schoolwork	29%	-	-	-	29%	-	-	28%	28%	30%	19%	38%
Problem behaviour such as vandalism	45%	-	-	-	45%	-	-	39%	46%	51%	38%	52%
Anger and aggression	56%	-	-	-	56%	-	-	55%	63%	49%	46%	67%
Bullying and violence	61%	-	-	-	61%	-	-	61%	64%	59%	50%	71%

#### Compared to physical health, do you think that children's and youth's mental health is more important, as important, or less important?

				REG	ION	AGE			GENDER			
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
More important	35%	-	-	-	35%	-	-	30%	35%	40%	39%	31%
As important	64%	-	=	-	64%	-	-	67%	64%	59%	59%	68%
Less important	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%

## Do you think that mental health for the province's children and youth should be a very important, important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important priority for the provincial government?

				REG	ION				AGE		GENDER	
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
Very important	67%	-	-	-	67%	-	-	65%	72%	61%	60%	74%
Important	21%	-	-	-	21%	-	-	22%	20%	23%	25%	18%
Somewhat important	10%	-	-	-	10%	-	-	11%	7%	12%	13%	7%
Not very important	1%	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	1%	-
Not at all important	1%	-	=	-	1%	=	-	-	0	3%	1%	1%
(DK/NS)	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	1%	0	0
SUMMARY												
TOP2BOX (Very Important/Important)	88%	-	-	-	88%	-	-	87%	92%	83%	84%	92%
LOW2BOX (Not Very/Not At All Important)	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	1%	0	3%	2%	1%

#### Do you think that mental health services for the province's children and youth should be less important, as important, or more important than mental health services for adults as a government priority?

				REG	ION	AGE			GENDER			
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
Less important	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	1%	1%	2%	3%	0
As important	64%	-	-	-	64%	-	-	64%	65%	64%	60%	68%
More important	34%	-	-	-	34%	=	-	35%	33%	34%	36%	31%
(DK/NS)	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	1%	0	0

# Based on what you know or may have heard or read, do you think that children and youth are provided with more than adequate, adequate, not very adequate, or not at all adequate government services and funding for their mental health, including emotional and behavioural problems?

				REG	ION				AGE		GENDER	
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents												
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386
More than adequate	2%	-	-	-	2%	-	-	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Adequate	26%	-	-	-	26%	-	-	28%	22%	27%	28%	24%
Not very adequate	53%	-	-	-	53%	-	-	49%	56%	55%	53%	52%
Not at all adequate	14%	-	-	-	14%	-	-	14%	17%	10%	9%	19%
(DK/NS)	5%	-	-	-	5%	-	-	6%	4%	6%	7%	3%
SUMMARY												
TOP2BOX (More Than Adequate/Adequate)	28%	-	-	-	28%	-	-	31%	23%	29%	30%	25%
LOW2BOX (Not Very/Not At All Adequate)	67%	ı	-	-	67%	-	-	63%	73%	65%	63%	72%

### Do you personally have a child 18 years or younger, or know of anyone in your immediate circle of family or friends that has a child 18 years or younger, with mental, emotional or behavioural problems?

		REGION								AGE			
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female	
Base: All respondents													
Unweighted Base	600	0	0	0	600	0	0	162	283	147	300	300	
Weighted Base	754	0	0	0	754	0	0	258	282	206	369	386	
Yes, personally have one	6%	-	-	-	6%	-	-	7%	9%	2%	6%	6%	
Yes, know of someone who has one	29%	-	-	-	29%	-	-	30%	33%	23%	26%	32%	
Yes, both personally have one and know of someone who has one	3%	=	-	=	3%	-	-	3%	4%	1%	3%	3%	
No	61%	-	-	=	61%	-	=	60%	53%	74%	64%	59%	
(DK/NS)	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	1%	0	0	

### Do you think that mental health services for the province's children and youth should be less important, or more important than mental health services for adults as a government priority?

_		HAVE/KNOW	CHILD WITH MENT	AL PROBLEM	ONTARIO REGION							
	Total	Personally Have/Have & Know	Know Someone & Do Not Have	Do Not Have/Know	North (N)	West (WC/SW)	East (SE/EC/E)	Toronto Suburbs (SC/TorW/TorE)	Toronto (Tor)			
Base: All respondents Unweighted Base		59	178	361	T 50	94	164	157	135			
Weighted Base	754	69	220	463	59	117	200	200	179			
Less important	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	4%	1%	2%	1%			
As important	64%	56%	61%	67%	58%	70%	63%	69%	58%			
More important	34%	41%	37%	31%	39%	26%	35%	29%	40%			
(DK/NS)	0	-	-	0	-	-	1%	-	1%			