

BC Reid Express - Sept '07

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	Total	LM	IsI	Int	Non-LM	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	HS	PSec	Unv
Base: All respondents	800	500	109	191	300	366	434	125	325	312	196	261	329
Weighted	800	457	148	195	343	388	412	229	297	241	195	252	340
Strongly support	541 68%	301 66%	103 70%	137 70%	240 70%	243 63%	299 73%	163 71%	217 73%	143 60%	120 62%	174 69%	244 72%
Somewhat support	152 19%	95 21%	29 19%	28 14%	56 17%	78 20%	74 18%	41 18%	47 16%	57 24%	37 19%	51 20%	61 18%
Somewhat oppose	47 6%	28 6%	4 3%	14 7%	19 5%	30 8%	16 4%	11 5%	11 4%	22 9%	14 7%	13 5%	20 6%
Strongly oppose	39 5%	22 5%	7 5%	10 5%	17 5%	23 6%	16 4%	7 3%	16 5%	13 5%	18 9%	9 4%	8 2%
(DK/NS)	21 3%	11 2%	5 3%	6 3%	10 3%	14 4%	7 2%	8 3%	5 2%	6 3%	6 3%	5 2%	9 3%
Summary													
Top2Box - Strongly/ Somewhat support	693 87%	396 87%	132 89%	165 85%	297 87%	321 83%	373 90%	204 89%	265 89%	200 83%	157 81%	225 89%	304 89%
Low2Box - Somewhat/ Strongly oppose	86 11%	50 11%	11 8%	24 12%	35 10%	53 14%	32 8%	17 8%	27 9%	35 14%	31 16%	22 9%	28 8%

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cp2. How concerned are you about school closures and the loss of public infrastructure when schools are sold or leased out to private groups?

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Base: All respondents	800	500	109	191	300	366	434	125	325	312	196	261	329
Weighted	800	457	148	195	343	388	412	229	297	241	195	252	340
Very concerned	347	189	67	91	158	152	195	98	140	96	76	118	148
	43%	41%	46%	47%	46%	39%	47%	43%	47%	40%	39%	47%	44%
Somewhat concerned	257	151	48	58	106	131	125	97	84	66	71	80	106
	32%	33%	32%	30%	31%	34%	30%	43%	28%	27%	36%	32%	31%
Not very concerned	108	70	16	22	39	51	58	22	39	43	26	30	49
	14%	15%	11%	12%	11%	13%	14%	10%	13%	18%	14%	12%	14%
Not at all concerned	80	44	15	21	36	50	30	11	29	34	20	22	35
	10%	10%	10%	11%	11%	13%	7%	5%	10%	14%	10%	9%	10%
(DK/NS)	8	4	1	3	4	3	4	0	5	2	2	3	2
	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Summary													
Top2Box - Very/ Somewhat concerned	604	340	115	148	263	283	320	196	224	162	146	197	255
	76%	74%	78%	76%	77%	73%	78%	86%	75%	67%	75%	78%	75%
Low2Box - Not very/ Not at all concerned	189	114	32	43	75	101	87	33	68	77	46	52	84
	24%	25%	21%	22%	22%	26%	21%	15%	23%	32%	24%	21%	25%

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cp3. Would you support or oppose a special government funding initiative to help keep schools open?

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Strongly support	375	197	74	105	179	163	213	127	148	89	93	114	164
	47%	43%	50%	54%	52%	42%	52%	55%	50%	37%	48%	45%	48%
Somewhat support	253	156	45	51	97	129	124	82	87	72	59	87	105
	32%	34%	31%	26%	28%	33%	30%	36%	29%	30%	30%	35%	31%
Somewhat oppose	85	49	15	21	36	53	32	13	31	39	17	25	42
	11%	11%	10%	11%	11%	14%	8%	6%	10%	16%	9%	10%	12%
Strongly oppose	60	37	11	13	23	32	27	4	22	29	19	16	21
	8%	8%	7%	7%	7%	8%	7%	2%	7%	12%	10%	7%	6%
(DK/NS)	27	19	4	4	8	11	16	3	9	12	6	10	9
	3%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	1%	3%	5%	3%	4%	3%
Summary													
Top2Box - Strongly/ Somewhat support	628	353	119	156	275	292	336	209	235	160	152	201	269
	79%	77%	80%	80%	80%	75%	82%	91%	79%	67%	78%	80%	79%
Low2Box - Somewhat/ Strongly oppose	145	86	25	34	59	85	60	16	52	68	37	41	62
	18%	19%	17%	17%	17%	22%	15%	7%	18%	28%	19%	16%	18%

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A high priority	377 47%	207 45%	67 46%	103 53%	170 50%	185 48%	192 47%	92 40%	137 46%	133 55%	90 46%	117 46%	167 49%
A medium priority	342 43%	200 44%	65 44%	77 40%	142 41%	161 41%	181 44%	109 48%	131 44%	90 37%	86 44%	113 45%	140 41%
A low priority	50 6%	32 7%	8 6%	10 5%	18 5%	23 6%	27 7%	19 9%	15 5%	11 5%	8 4%	20 8%	20 6%
No priority at all	26 3%	16 4%	5 4%	4 2%	9 3%	16 4%	9 2%	7 3%	11 4%	5 2%	7 4%	3 1%	13 4%
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Top2Box - A high/ A medium priority	719 90%	407 89%	132 90%	180 92%	312 91%	346 89%	373 91%	201 88%	268 90%	223 93%	176 91%	229 91%	307 90%
Low2Box - A low/ No priority	76 10%	48 11%	14 9%	14 7%	28 8%	39 10%	37 9%	26 12%	26 9%	17 7%	15 8%	23 9%	34 10%

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Public universities should expand into more private, for-profit operations	268 34%	159 35%	42 28%	68 35%	110 32%	153 39%	116 28%	67 29%	117 40%	74 31%	70 36%	88 35%	106 31%
Public universities should not expand into more private, for profit operations	480 60%	269 59%	96 65%	115 59%	211 62%	216 56%	264 64%	146 64%	165 56%	149 62%	103 53%	156 62%	215 63%
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Strongly agree	439	239	82	119	201	198	241	121	171	134	106	145	186
	55%	52%	55%	61%	59%	51%	59%	53%	58%	56%	55%	58%	55%
Somewhat agree	253	152	43	58	101	120	134	88	83	72	66	85	101
	32%	33%	29%	30%	30%	31%	33%	39%	28%	30%	34%	34%	30%
Somewhat disagree	54	34	11	8	20	36	18	11	19	18	4	15	32
	7%	8%	8%	4%	6%	9%	4%	5%	6%	8%	2%	6%	9%
Strongly disagree	35	20	7	7	14	23	11	2	21	8	10	6	15
	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	6%	3%	1%	7%	3%	5%	2%	4%
(DK/NS)	19	12	4	3	7	11	8	6	3	8	8	1	8
	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	4%	0%	2%
Summary													
Top2Box - Strongly/ Somewhat agree	693	391	125	177	302	318	375	209	254	206	172	230	286
	87%	86%	85%	91%	88%	82%	91%	91%	86%	86%	89%	91%	84%
Low2Box - Somewhat/ Strongly disagree	88	54	19	15	34	59	29	13	40	27	14	21	46
	11%	12%	13%	8%	10%	15%	7%	6%	13%	11%	7%	8%	14%