

NUMBERS

Percentage of Alberta elementary schools in which boys outscore girls in math: 58

Percentage in which girls outscore boys in language arts: 81

Percentage of 16-year-olds in Alberta whose writing skills are at a primary school level: boys: 13.1; girls: 6.8

Percentage of Albertans aged 20–64 with a university certificate or degree: men: 20; women: 21

Average annual full-time income in Alberta: men: \$51,116; women: \$33,185

Rank of Alberta among provinces with highest proportion of women working: 1

Rank of Alberta among provinces with widest income gap between men and women: 1

Year in which a female golfer first participated in the 69-year-old Alberta Open: 2003

Year in which a woman (from Airdrie) first skipped at the 39-year-old Canadian Mixed Curling Championships: 2003

Number of Alberta periodicals on a Status of Women “masculinist” watchlist: 2

Number of men per 100 women: Canada: 96.1; Alberta: 99.9; Vegreville: 85.6; Sturgeon County: 115.9

Average number of past sexual partners claimed by Alberta men: 12.5

Average number claimed by women: 5.5

Average number of times people have sex each year: Prairies: 85; Canada: 99; France: 167

Ratio of Alberta men to women over 85 years old: 1:2

Proportion of prairie youth who are abstaining from sex until marriage: 1/4

Percentage of Albertans who believe youth should have greater access to condoms: 79

Rank of chlamydia among Alberta’s most reported STDs for 15–25 year-olds: 1

Number of speed dating organizations in Alberta: 8

Number of minutes of each speed date: 3–10

Cost of a leather-covered ping-pong paddle from Calgary’s Fetish Fashion: \$205

Price of a sex seminar (lunch included) by Devon’s Ruth Clarence, an evangelical pastor’s wife: \$35

Number of members in the Alberta Horny Club on yahoo.ca: 200

Number of transgendered prostitutes working Edmonton’s “tranny alley”: 30–50

Number of common-law same-sex couples in Alberta: 2,525

Number of people in those couples who were previously married: 935

Number of common-law same-sex couples as percentage of all couples:

Canada: 0.5; Saskatchewan: 0.2; Alberta: 0.4; Edmonton: 0.4; Calgary: 0.6; Vancouver: 0.9

Percentage of people who support same-sex marriage: Alberta: 54.6; Canada: 65.4

Percentage of Canadian Alliance supporters who disapprove of homosexuality: 58

Percentage of Liberal supporters who do: 34

Number of countries with legal same-sex marriage, including Canada: 3

Number of years Calgary has hosted the CRIR gay rodeo: 10

