

Safe, Satisfied and Priced Out: Oakville's Housing Contradiction

Survey | Summary
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The research gauged the opinions among residents of the towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington on the state of the city including perceptions of real estate, core community issues and the housing market.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land-and cell-lines) random telephone survey of 1,274 residents in the Towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the City of Burlington, 18 years of age or older, between March 26 to April 14, 2026.

The margin of error for this survey is ± 2.8 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

The research was commissioned by The Oakville, Milton and District Real Estate Board and was conducted by Nanos Research.

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STRONG QUALITY OF LIFE

Scores related to views on the quality of life in Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and Burlington remain strong (87% positive).

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SAFE PLACE TO LIVE

Nearly nine of ten residents (88%) have positive views of the region as a place to live.

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HOUSING AFFORDABILITY A PROBLEM

Only 16 per cent of residents believe homes in the region are affordable.

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YOUTH HOUSING CRISIS

Just under eight in ten residents (79%) say young people are less likely to afford a home compared to five years ago.

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AFFORDABILITY TREND NEGATIVE BUT IMPROVING

Four in ten (43%) believe housing affordability has worsened but those that say it has improved to one extent or another rose from 5 to 20 percent.

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PRIORITY FOR ELECTED LEADERS

About one in four residents (22%) rank controlling property taxes and spending as the number one issue.

Reason for living in the towns of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills or the city of Burlington - Tracking

Q – What is the main reason you live in the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills? [OPEN]

	2026-04 (n=1264)	Town of Oakville (n=363)	Town of Milton (n=294)	Town of Halton Hills (n=294)	City of Burlington (n=313)	2024 (n=1267)	
TOP RESPONSES	I grew up here/my hometown/lived here for a long time	24.0%	22.2%	23.1%	27.1%	25.4%	25.1%
	My family/friends/significant other live here	13.9%	14.7%	13.3%	15.6%	12.8%	13.0%
	Job opportunity/close to work/own a business/farm	12.3%	10.1%	13.0%	9.6%	15.2%	11.0%
	I like the area/nice place to live/Quality of life	12.3%	16.7%	4.0%	9.1%	13.7%	14.4%
	Affordability	5.5%	3.0%	12.5%	5.4%	3.9%	4.4%
	Quiet/safe/To raise a family/Peaceful	5.2%	6.2%	3.4%	4.2%	5.7%	6.6%
	The community/good neighbourhood/small town feel	4.3%	4.3%	4.3%	6.2%	3.8%	4.6%
	Relocated from another city/province/country	3.8%	2.4%	7.8%	4.3%	2.6%	4.9%
	Bought a home/Own property here	3.3%	3.1%	4.6%	3.7%	2.6%	4.6%

Residents from the Town of Milton (12%) are more likely to say the main reason they live there is because of affordability compared to those in the Town of Halton Hills (5%), the City of Burlington (4%) and the Town of Oakville (3%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Advice to make for the towns of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills or the city of Burlington - Tracking

Q – If you had one piece of advice to make the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills a better place, what would that advice be? [OPEN]

	2026-04 (n=1202)	Town of Oakville (n=342)	Town of Milton (n=286)	Town of Halton Hills (n=281)	City of Burlington (n=293)	2024 (n=1186)	
TOP RESPONSES	Ensure the City grows at a manageable rate/limit expansion/limit high density housing and building height	22.2%	27.5%	25.9%	19.5%	14.8%	23.8%
	Improved infrastructure/roadways	8.6%	6.0%	12.7%	13.2%	7.1%	8.7%
	Improve traffic flow/better traffic control	8.2%	4.9%	10.3%	3.4%	12.0%	7.9%
	Improved public transit	6.9%	6.7%	8.0%	8.3%	6.0%	8.9%
	None/ don't have any/ currently satisfied	5.2%	5.9%	0.9%	1.7%	8.6%	6.3%
	Lower taxes/Affordable living	5.1%	7.5%	1.4%	3.6%	5.4%	4.5%
	Improved housing/more affordable housing	5.0%	5.8%	2.4%	4.8%	5.8%	5.9%

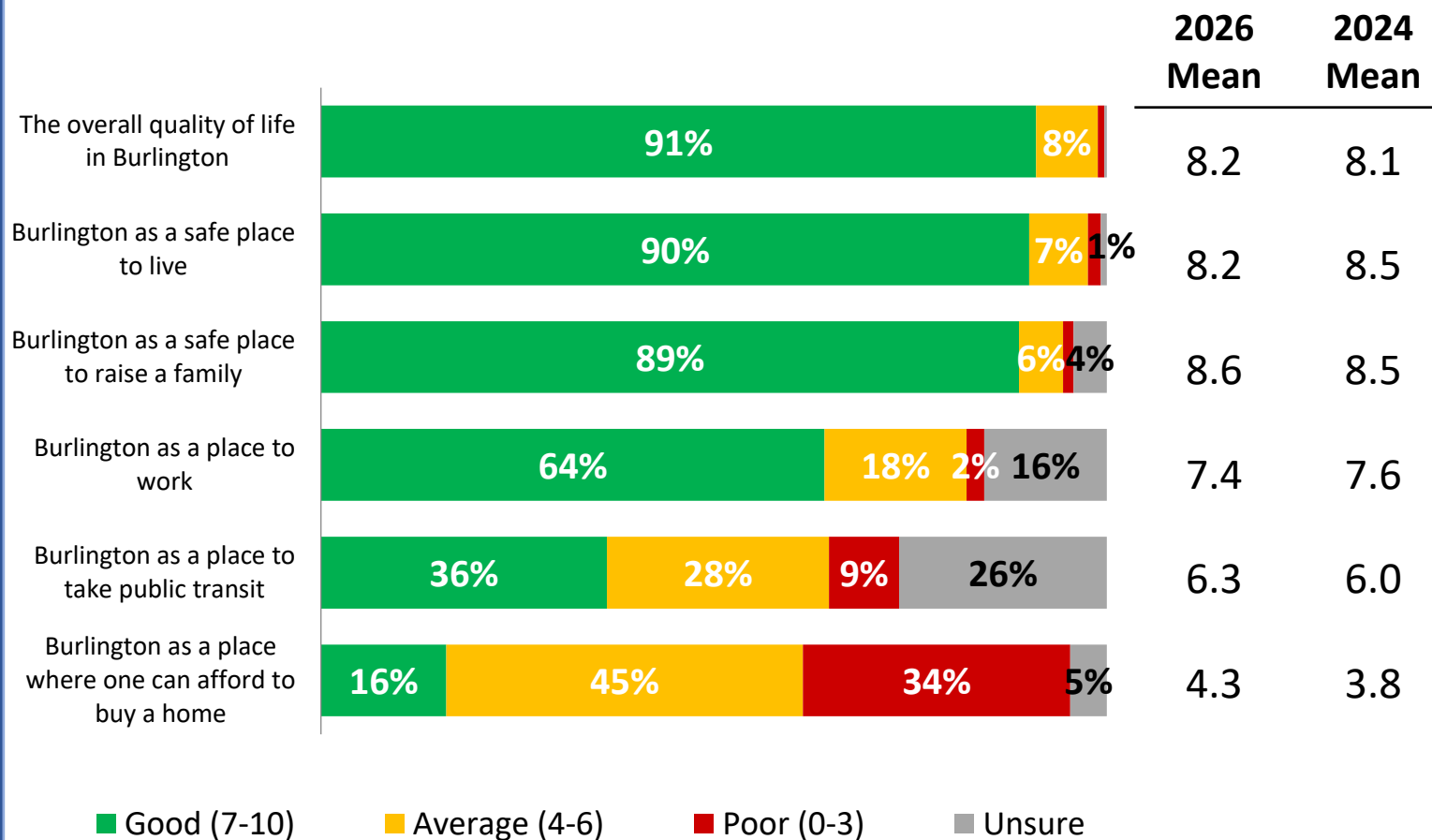
If they had one piece of advice to make the community a better place, residents from the City of Burlington (15%) are less likely to say they would ensure the City grows at a manageable rate/limit expansion/limit high density housing and building height.

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Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

A majority of Burlington residents (91%) give a score of the overall quality of life in Burlington a 7-10 out of 10; while only one in six (16%) believe Burlington is a place where one can afford to buy a home.

Rating Burlington [Residents only]

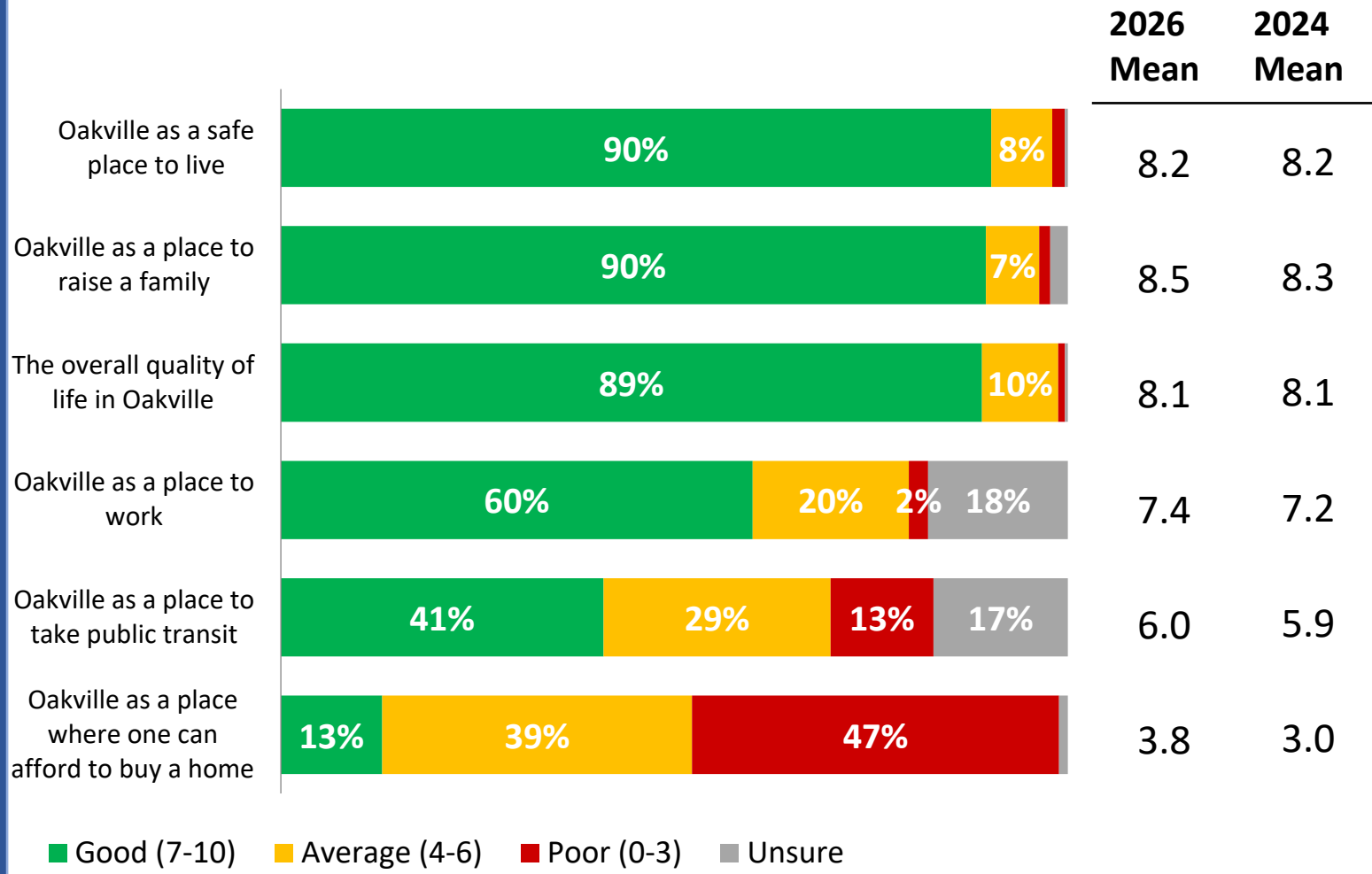


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Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

Oakville as a safe place to live (90%), a place to raise a family (90%) and the overall quality of life in Oakville (89%) each receive high positive ratings. In contrast, less than one resident out of five (13% score of 7-10 out of 10) believe Oakville is a place where one can afford to buy a home.

Rating Oakville [Residents only]

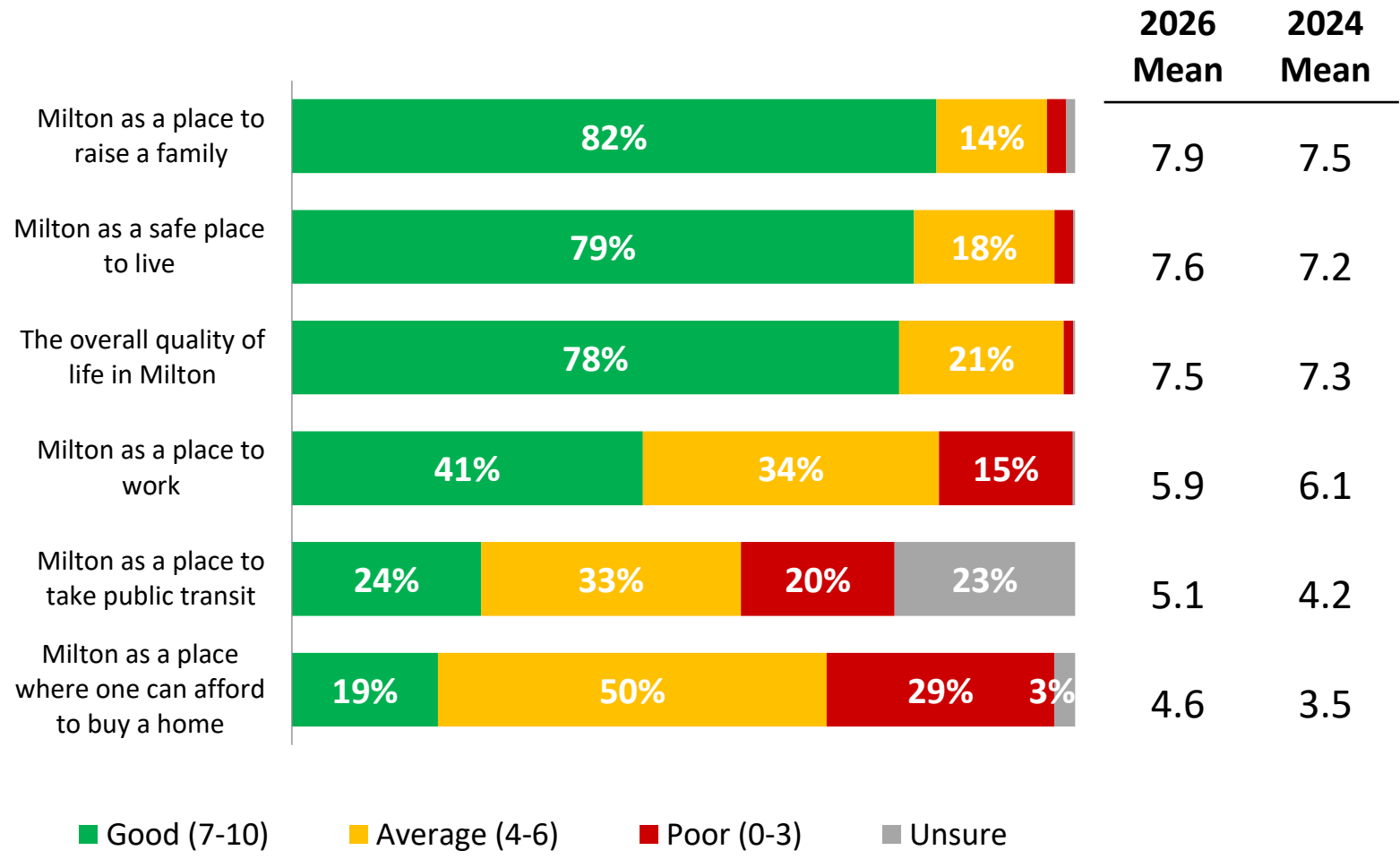


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Rating Milton [Residents only]

Most of Milton residents rate the town as a place to raise a family (82%), as a safe place to live (79%) and the overall quality of life in Milton (78%) as good (score of 7-10 out of 10. Meanwhile, just below one in five (19%) rate Milton as a place where one can afford to buy a home.

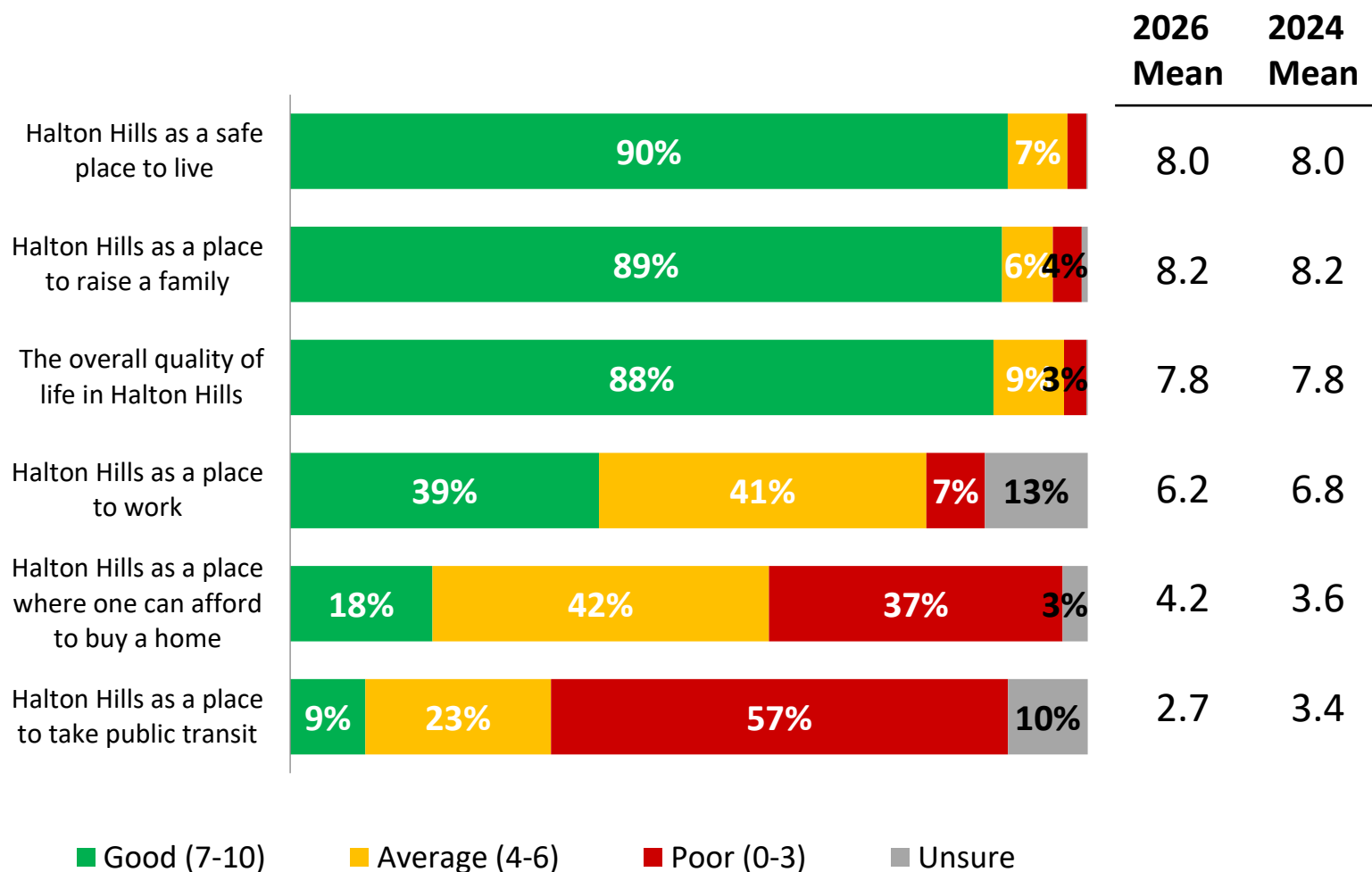


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Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

Majority of Halton Hills residents rate the town positively as a safe place to live (90%), a place to raise a family (89%) and the overall quality of life in Halton Hills (88%).

Rating Halton Hills [Residents only]



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Ratings by demographics – Tracking

Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

	Total (n=1274)	Town of Oakville (n=364)	Town of Milton (n=297)	Town of Halton Hills (n=298)	City of Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)	2024 (n=1272)
Mean Score (0-10) A place to raise a family	8.4	8.5	7.9	8.2	8.6	8.3	8.5	8.2	8.3	8.5	8.2
A safe place to live	8.1	8.2	7.6	8.0	8.2	8.1	8.0	8.2	7.8	8.2	8.1
The overall quality of life	8.0	8.1	7.5	7.8	8.2	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.8	8.2	7.9
A place to work	6.9	7.4	5.9	6.2	7.4	6.8	7.1	6.6	6.8	7.4	7.1
A place to take public transit	5.5	6.0	5.1	2.7	6.3	5.2	5.8	5.6	5.3	5.7	5.3
A place where one can afford to buy a home	4.1	3.8	4.6	4.2	4.3	4.1	4.2	3.6	4.0	4.7	3.4

Rating by homeownership and residency in area – Tracking

Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

	Total (n=1274)	Homeowners (n=997)	Renters (n=216)	Residency of 10 years of less (n=187)	Residency of 11 years to 20 years (n=302)	Residency of 21 years to 30 years (n=289)	Residency of 30 years plus (n=496)	2024 (n=1272)
Mean Score (0-10)								
A place to raise a family	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.2
A safe place to live	8.1	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.1	7.9	8.1	8.1
The overall quality of life	8.0	8.0	7.9	8.1	7.8	7.8	8.1	7.9
A place to work	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.8	7.3	7.1
A place to take public transit	5.5	5.3	6.2	5.9	5.8	5.2	5.3	5.3
A place where one can afford to buy a home	4.1	4.3	3.6	4.4	4.1	3.8	4.3	3.4

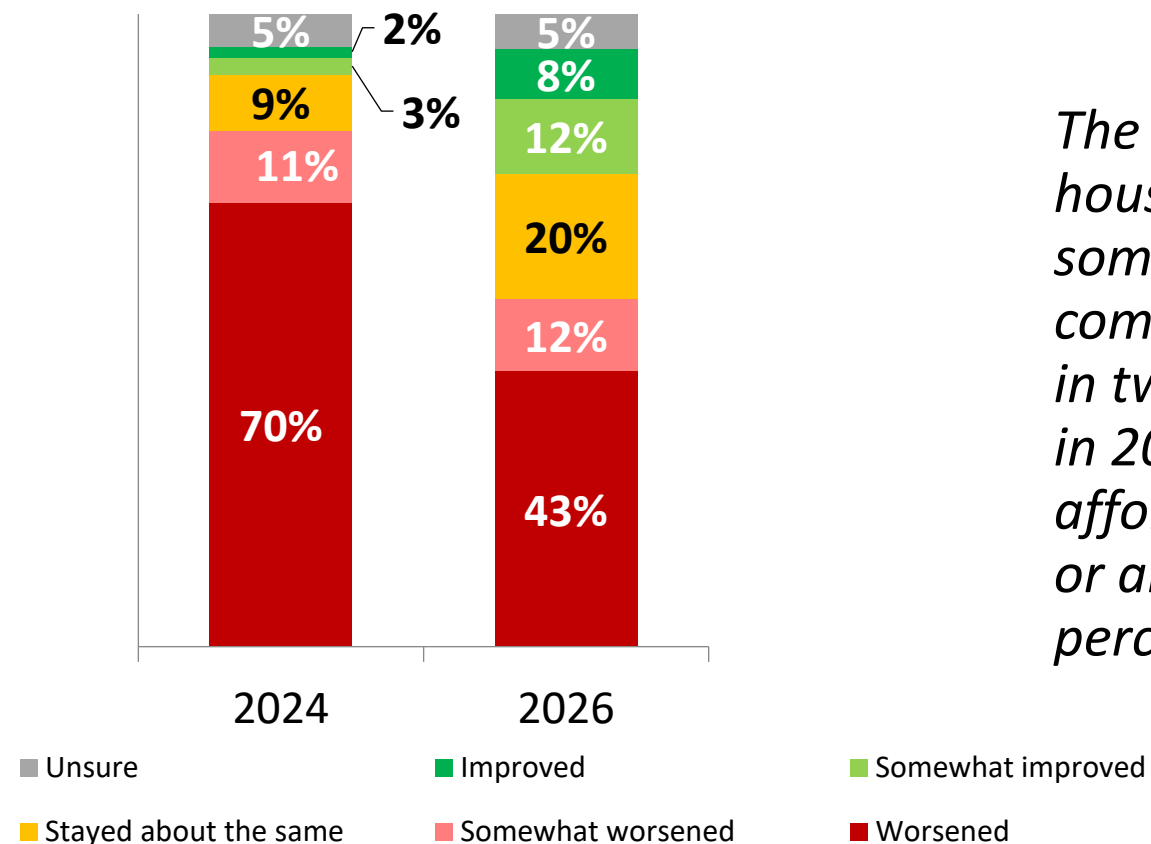
Rating by income – Tracking

Q – How would you rate the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills on the following where 0 is a very poor rating and 10 is a very good rating. [RANDOMIZE]

	Total (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)	2024 (n=1272)
Mean Score (0-10) A place to raise a family	8.4	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.4	8.6	8.5	8.2
A safe place to live	8.1	8.0	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.0	8.2	8.1	8.1
The overall quality of life	8.0	7.6	7.9	8.1	7.8	7.9	8.1	8.0	7.9
A place to work	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.7	7.0	7.1
A place to take public transit	5.5	6.0	5.4	6.4	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.2	5.3
A place where one can afford to buy a home	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.2	3.8	4.1	3.4

Level of improvement of housing affordability compared to five years ago – Tracking

Q – Would you say that housing affordability in your community has improved, somewhat improved, somewhat worsened, worsened or stayed about the same today compared to five years ago?



The proportion of residents who believe housing affordability has worsened or somewhat worsened has dropped compared to 2024, with now just over one in two who say so (55%, compared to 81% in 2024). The proportion who say housing affordability has improved to one extent or another has increased from five percent to 20 percent.

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Level of improvement towards housing affordability compared to five years ago – By region, age and gender

Q – Would you say that housing affordability in your community has improved, somewhat improved, somewhat worsened, worsened or stayed about the same today compared to five years ago?

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Improved	8.0%	7.8%	10.4%	5.4%	7.5%	8.1%	7.9%	10.4%	8.0%	6.3%
Somewhat improved	11.8%	15.5%	12.3%	12.4%	7.4%	10.1%	13.4%	11.5%	12.3%	11.6%
Somewhat worsened	11.5%	10.7%	15.9%	6.5%	11.3%	10.5%	12.5%	13.5%	10.3%	11.4%
Worsened	43.5%	42.5%	39.0%	50.4%	45.1%	44.7%	42.4%	40.2%	47.4%	41.6%
Stayed about the same	19.7%	19.2%	17.8%	19.3%	21.5%	22.8%	16.8%	15.3%	19.2%	23.1%
Unsure	5.5%	4.3%	4.6%	6.1%	7.1%	3.8%	7.0%	9.1%	2.7%	6.0%

Residents from Halton Hills are more likely to say that housing affordability in their community has worsened (50%) compared to residents in Burlington (45%), Oakville (43%) and Milton (39%).

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Level of improvement towards housing affordability compared to five years ago – By home ownership and years of residence

Q – Would you say that housing affordability in your community has improved, somewhat improved, somewhat worsened, worsened or stayed about the same today compared to five years ago?

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
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Somewhat improved	11.8%	12.2%	11.3%	10.7%	11.7%	13.3%	11.4%
Somewhat worsened	11.5%	12.0%	8.2%	13.1%	12.5%	12.3%	9.3%
Worsened	43.5%	42.6%	49.7%	34.1%	42.9%	47.6%	45.7%
Stayed about the same	19.7%	21.3%	15.7%	22.6%	16.9%	15.9%	23.4%
Unsure	5.5%	3.8%	8.3%	11.1%	4.1%	5.6%	3.7%

Those who have ten years or less of residence are more likely to say that housing affordability in their community has worsened (34%) compared to those who have longer reported time of residency.

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Level of improvement towards housing affordability compared to five years ago – By income

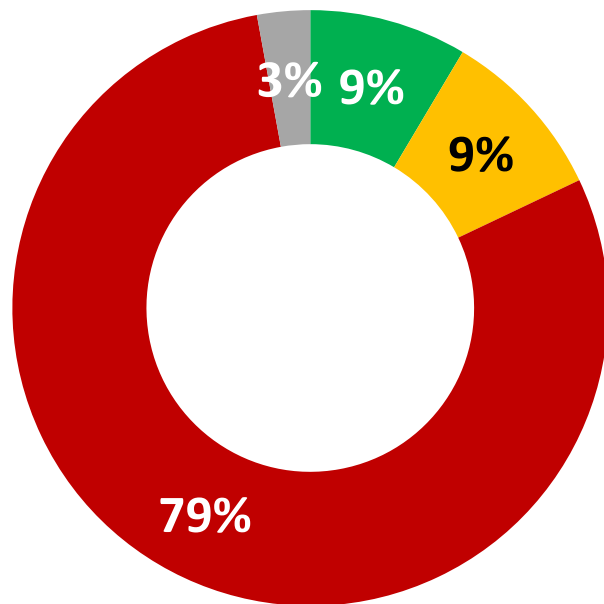
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Somewhat worsened	11.5%	7.4%	12.9%	18.1%	8.0%	12.4%	9.9%	10.3%
Worsened	43.5%	47.7%	41.2%	39.1%	49.8%	38.4%	46.4%	42.7%
Stayed about the same	19.7%	12.0%	21.2%	21.1%	16.2%	27.0%	17.1%	19.4%
Unsure	5.5%	16.2%	5.1%	7.5%	5.0%	6.4%	0.0%	3.0%

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Affordability of houses for young people in your community

Q – Thinking of young people, would you say that they are more likely, as likely or less likely to afford a home in your community today compared to five years ago?



■ More likely ■ As likely ■ Less likely ■ Unsure

Nearly **4 in 5** residents of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and Burlington

say young people are less likely to afford a home in their community today compared to five years ago.

Views are consistent across regions.

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Likelihood of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By region, age and gender

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More likely	8.6%	8.9%	11.6%	7.5%	6.6%	8.1%	9.0%	8.3%	9.3%	7.9%
As likely	9.4%	7.9%	9.7%	8.9%	11.0%	10.0%	8.8%	7.1%	11.0%	9.2%
Less likely	79.2%	81.9%	73.3%	80.4%	79.6%	78.8%	79.6%	79.0%	79.4%	79.1%
Unsure	2.9%	1.4%	5.5%	3.2%	2.7%	3.1%	2.6%	5.6%	0.3%	3.7%

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Likelihood of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By home ownership and years of residence

Q – Thinking of young people, would you say that they are more likely, as likely or less likely to afford a home in your community today compared to five years ago?

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As likely	9.4%	10.0%	6.7%	8.5%	10.2%	7.0%	10.9%
Less likely	79.2%	79.2%	81.4%	74.1%	79.3%	83.5%	78.4%
Unsure	2.9%	1.9%	4.5%	8.6%	2.0%	1.4%	1.7%

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Likelihood of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By income

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As likely	9.4%	3.8%	9.5%	10.3%	11.6%	10.8%	8.8%	10.6%
Less likely	79.2%	81.1%	83.6%	82.6%	80.0%	80.4%	78.2%	78.3%
Unsure	2.9%	2.3%	3.0%	1.4%	2.0%	2.6%	2.7%	0.8%

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Opinions towards likeliness of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By likeliness

Q – Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

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	TOP RESPONSES			
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1228)	More likely (n=107)	As likely (n=116)	Less likely (n=986)
High pricing/too expensive/unaffordable/pandemic increased prices	52.9%	10.8%	23.7%	61.4%
Rate of inflation/state of the economy/cost of living	12.9%	5.6%	6.3%	14.6%
Housing prices have gone down slightly or just as bad as five years ago	9.5%	52.6%	43.2%	1.3%
Difficulty getting jobs/difficulty getting high paying jobs/low salary	5.1%	0.0%	1.3%	6.2%
Difficult /impossible/they have to struggle	2.9%	0.0%	1.9%	3.4%
Number of homes available/low inventory	1.8%	0.9%	1.1%	1.7%

Those who think young people are less likely to afford a home today compared to five years ago are more likely to say it is due to high pricing/too expensive/unaffordable/pandemic increased prices (61%). Those who say young people are more likely to afford a home today say housing prices have gone down slightly or just as bad as five years ago (53%).

Opinions towards likeliness of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By region, age and gender

Q – Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

	Open									
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1228)	Oakville (n=351)	Milton (n=283)	Halton Hills (n=290)	Burlington (n=304)	Male (n=666)	Female (n=562)	18 to 34 (n=199)	35 to 54 (n=434)	55 plus (n=595)
High pricing/too expensive/unaffordable/pandemic increased prices	52.9%	53.8%	51.0%	54.3%	52.6%	54.4%	51.5%	49.2%	52.8%	55.4%
Rate of inflation/state of the economy/cost of living	12.9%	16.3%	11.5%	9.0%	11.4%	12.6%	13.2%	20.7%	10.6%	10.3%
Housing prices have gone down slightly or just as bad as five years ago	9.5%	8.0%	12.3%	9.0%	9.4%	10.5%	8.5%	8.1%	11.8%	7.9%
Difficulty getting jobs/difficulty getting high paying jobs/low salary	5.1%	5.6%	6.1%	4.7%	4.2%	5.0%	5.3%	5.8%	5.0%	4.9%
Difficult /impossible/they have to struggle	2.9%	1.4%	2.4%	4.3%	4.4%	3.1%	2.7%	4.2%	2.6%	2.4%
Number of homes available/low inventory	1.8%	1.7%	1.6%	3.4%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%	2.4%	1.7%	1.4%

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Opinions towards likeliness of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By home ownership and years of residence

Q – Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

	Open						
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1228)	Own (n=972)	Rent (n=201)	Ten years or less (n=176)	Eleven to twenty years (n=288)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=282)	More than thirty years (n=482)
High pricing/too expensive/unaffordable/pandemic increased prices	52.9%	52.6%	54.7%	44.3%	59.3%	51.5%	53.0%
Rate of inflation/state of the economy/cost of living	12.9%	12.7%	13.5%	15.5%	12.5%	13.8%	11.4%
Housing prices have gone down slightly or just as bad as five years ago	9.5%	10.1%	7.2%	10.4%	10.2%	7.9%	9.7%
Difficulty getting jobs/difficulty getting high paying jobs/low salary	5.1%	5.5%	1.8%	9.3%	2.0%	7.1%	4.2%
Difficult /impossible/they have to struggle	2.9%	2.6%	4.3%	4.5%	3.2%	2.8%	2.0%
Number of homes available/low inventory	1.8%	2.1%	0.6%	1.3%	2.7%	1.5%	1.6%

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Opinions towards likeliness of young people affording a home in your community today compared to five years ago – By income

Q – Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

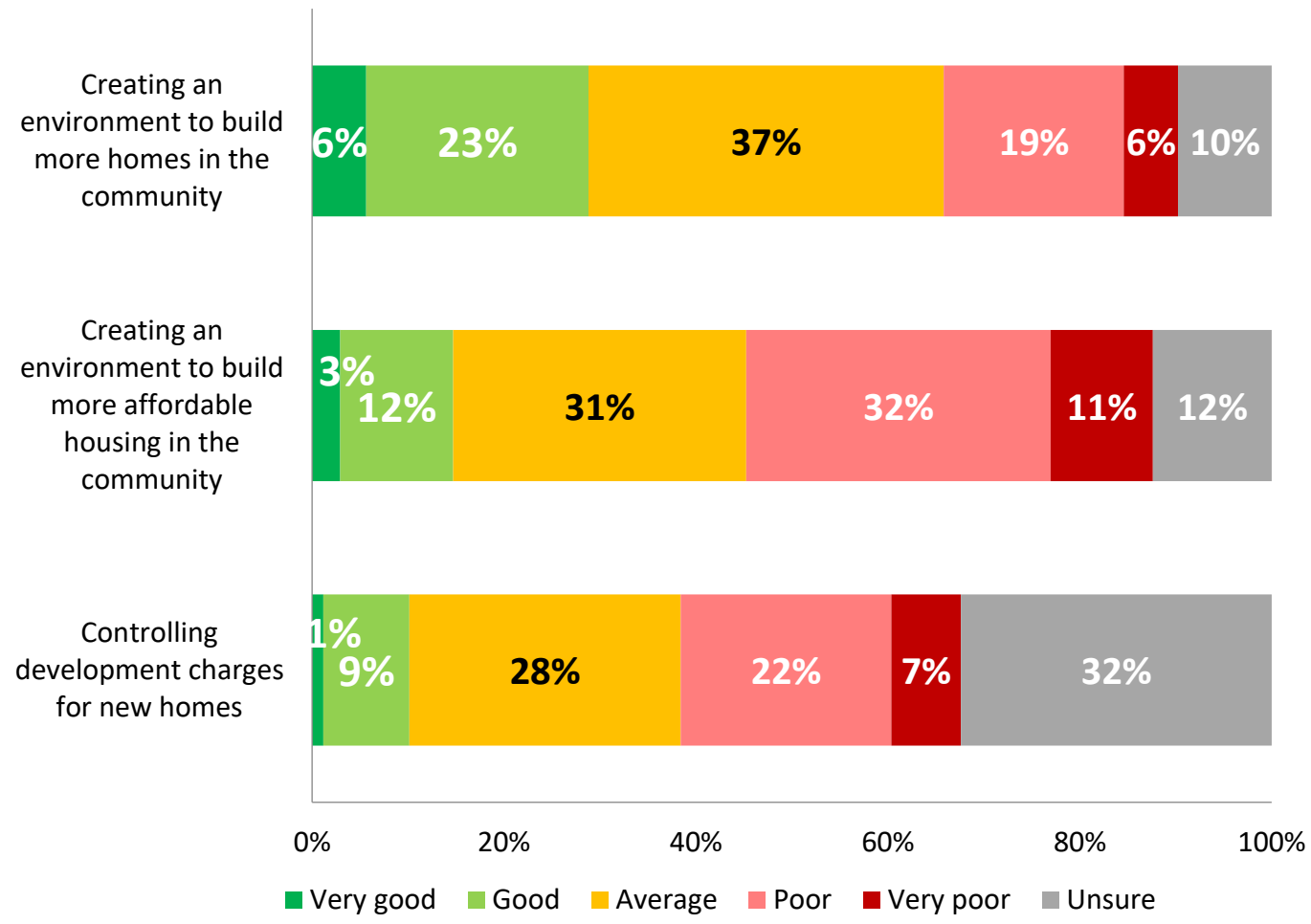
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	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1228)	Under \$40K (n=60)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=84)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=112)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=143)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=114)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=108)	\$150K and above (n=304)
High pricing/too expensive/unaffordable/pandemic increased prices	52.9%	45.0%	63.5%	56.2%	53.4%	49.7%	59.2%	51.8%
Rate of inflation/state of the economy/cost of living	12.9%	9.0%	6.8%	10.7%	17.6%	13.2%	10.3%	16.4%
Housing prices have gone down slightly or just as bad as five years ago	9.5%	2.3%	4.9%	8.9%	6.1%	16.4%	9.8%	12.7%
Difficulty getting jobs/difficulty getting high paying jobs/low salary	5.1%	6.0%	5.7%	1.0%	2.5%	7.3%	4.7%	4.7%
Difficult /impossible/they have to struggle	2.9%	3.0%	4.8%	4.1%	0.6%	2.2%	4.6%	4.0%
Number of homes available/low inventory	1.8%	1.1%	0.4%	1.6%	0.8%	1.8%	0.0%	3.2%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1228, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Job done by the municipal government with the housing environment in the community

Residents from Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and Burlington believe the municipal government is doing a better job at creating more homes overall than at creating an environment to build affordable homes or controlling development charges for new homes.

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following: [RANDOMIZE]



*Weighted to the true population proportion.
*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Job done by the municipal government creating an environment to build more homes in the community

– By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more homes in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Very good	5.6%	5.6%	7.6%	5.3%	4.5%	5.8%	5.4%	6.1%	5.1%	5.8%
Good	23.2%	20.1%	32.2%	23.1%	20.8%	23.0%	23.4%	29.4%	21.9%	20.4%
Average	37.0%	39.0%	33.5%	40.7%	35.8%	36.5%	37.5%	39.9%	35.5%	36.6%
Poor	18.8%	20.8%	15.8%	17.5%	18.9%	19.5%	18.2%	14.4%	20.2%	20.2%
Very poor	5.6%	4.7%	4.2%	4.3%	8.1%	6.5%	4.9%	2.0%	6.9%	6.8%
Unsure	9.8%	9.8%	6.7%	9.1%	11.8%	8.7%	10.7%	8.1%	10.5%	10.1%

Residents of the town of Milton (32%) are more likely to say the municipal government is doing a good job at creating an environment to build more homes in the community than the average for all regions combined (23%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Job done by the municipal government creating an environment to build more homes in the community – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more homes in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Very good	5.6%	5.1%	7.5%	6.9%	5.5%	6.7%	4.3%
Good	23.2%	21.4%	29.2%	28.6%	26.3%	21.2%	19.3%
Average	37.0%	37.5%	35.2%	28.0%	40.9%	38.4%	37.4%
Poor	18.8%	20.2%	17.2%	13.6%	14.8%	20.1%	23.7%
Very poor	5.6%	6.2%	4.2%	7.5%	4.1%	5.2%	6.4%
Unsure	9.8%	9.6%	6.6%	15.4%	8.4%	8.4%	9.0%

Those with ten years or less of residence are less likely to say that the municipal government does an average (28%) job at creating an environment to build more homes in the community than those with 11 years and more.

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Job done by the municipal government creating an environment to build more homes in the community – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more homes in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Very good	5.6%	11.6%	2.8%	5.0%	6.6%	5.1%	4.9%	3.6%
Good	23.2%	19.7%	27.5%	24.2%	18.0%	33.7%	25.9%	26.1%
Average	37.0%	34.9%	34.2%	35.7%	45.3%	40.0%	35.8%	35.9%
Poor	18.8%	11.7%	18.0%	22.4%	22.4%	9.8%	19.4%	18.6%
Very poor	5.6%	6.7%	5.5%	6.1%	5.1%	1.5%	3.5%	5.1%
Unsure	9.8%	15.5%	12.0%	6.6%	2.6%	9.8%	10.5%	10.8%

Residents who earn between \$100K and \$120K (34%) are more likely to say the municipal government is doing a good job at creating an environment to build more homes in the community than the regional average (23%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Job done by the municipal government in creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Very good	2.9%	3.7%	3.0%	1.3%	2.5%	3.2%	2.7%	4.1%	1.2%	3.9%
Good	11.8%	8.8%	18.0%	8.7%	12.0%	11.4%	12.1%	12.7%	10.8%	12.2%
Average	30.6%	31.8%	26.7%	34.2%	30.5%	34.6%	26.9%	31.6%	29.1%	31.4%
Poor	31.7%	34.7%	28.5%	32.8%	30.2%	27.1%	36.0%	31.4%	33.7%	29.8%
Very poor	10.6%	9.7%	10.8%	9.9%	11.8%	11.3%	10.1%	9.1%	13.2%	9.1%
Unsure	12.4%	11.3%	12.9%	13.1%	13.0%	12.5%	12.3%	11.1%	12.0%	13.6%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Job done by the municipal government in creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Very good	2.9%	2.4%	3.5%	6.0%	2.6%	2.3%	2.1%
Good	11.8%	11.1%	14.4%	15.1%	12.9%	9.1%	11.1%
Average	30.6%	31.1%	30.4%	26.7%	29.9%	35.8%	29.1%
Poor	31.7%	32.8%	29.4%	22.5%	34.1%	34.0%	32.7%
Very poor	10.6%	10.2%	12.5%	11.2%	10.1%	10.5%	11.0%
Unsure	12.4%	12.4%	9.8%	18.5%	10.5%	8.4%	13.9%

Residents who have lived in their municipality for ten years or less (23%) are less likely to say the municipal government is doing a poor job at creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community than the regional average (32%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Job done by the municipal government in creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Creating an environment to build more affordable housing in the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Very good	2.9%	1.3%	1.4%	1.8%	4.3%	0.7%	1.9%	3.2%
Good	11.8%	7.2%	14.5%	20.3%	9.4%	16.6%	15.3%	10.5%
Average	30.6%	30.6%	32.4%	30.6%	30.0%	23.9%	36.9%	32.4%
Poor	31.7%	23.9%	27.1%	27.6%	36.8%	37.8%	27.5%	33.3%
Very poor	10.6%	19.0%	2.7%	12.4%	12.8%	6.5%	9.4%	9.4%
Unsure	12.4%	18.0%	21.9%	7.3%	6.8%	14.5%	8.9%	11.2%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Job done by the municipal government in controlling development charges for new homes – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Controlling development charges for new homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Very good	1.2%	1.1%	0.5%	1.3%	1.6%	2.1%	0.3%	1.3%	0.5%	1.7%
Good	9.0%	8.7%	8.5%	7.6%	10.0%	9.1%	8.9%	10.6%	6.3%	10.6%
Average	28.3%	26.6%	35.6%	29.1%	25.2%	29.2%	27.4%	31.4%	25.7%	28.9%
Poor	22.0%	22.6%	21.1%	21.3%	22.0%	22.8%	21.2%	18.6%	25.2%	20.9%
Very poor	7.2%	9.0%	6.0%	9.4%	5.3%	8.4%	6.2%	5.7%	8.3%	7.2%
Unsure	32.4%	31.9%	28.4%	31.2%	35.8%	28.4%	36.0%	32.4%	34.0%	30.7%

Residents of the town of Milton are more likely to rate the job done at controlling development charges for new homes by the municipal government as average (36%) than the aggregate (28%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Job done by the municipal government in controlling development charges for new homes

– By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Controlling development charges for new homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Very good	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%	0.6%	1.5%	1.6%	0.9%
Good	9.0%	7.5%	11.8%	15.3%	7.5%	7.9%	7.7%
Average	28.3%	28.5%	30.0%	26.2%	34.7%	24.2%	27.1%
Poor	22.0%	21.8%	22.9%	18.5%	18.9%	26.0%	23.2%
Very poor	7.2%	8.4%	3.7%	5.2%	6.6%	8.1%	8.2%
Unsure	32.4%	32.7%	30.4%	34.2%	30.7%	32.3%	32.9%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Job done by the municipal government in controlling development charges for new homes – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you think the municipal government does a very good, good, average, poor or very poor job at the following:[RANDOMIZE]

Controlling development charges for new homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Very good	1.2%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.8%	1.9%	1.3%
Good	9.0%	9.8%	5.4%	13.4%	8.8%	18.0%	8.0%	7.1%
Average	28.3%	34.4%	39.3%	30.4%	25.2%	27.7%	34.9%	27.4%
Poor	22.0%	15.4%	12.4%	19.9%	25.0%	15.8%	18.4%	24.3%
Very poor	7.2%	9.4%	6.6%	9.6%	5.6%	3.4%	7.7%	7.5%
Unsure	32.4%	26.5%	36.3%	26.8%	34.7%	34.3%	29.1%	32.4%

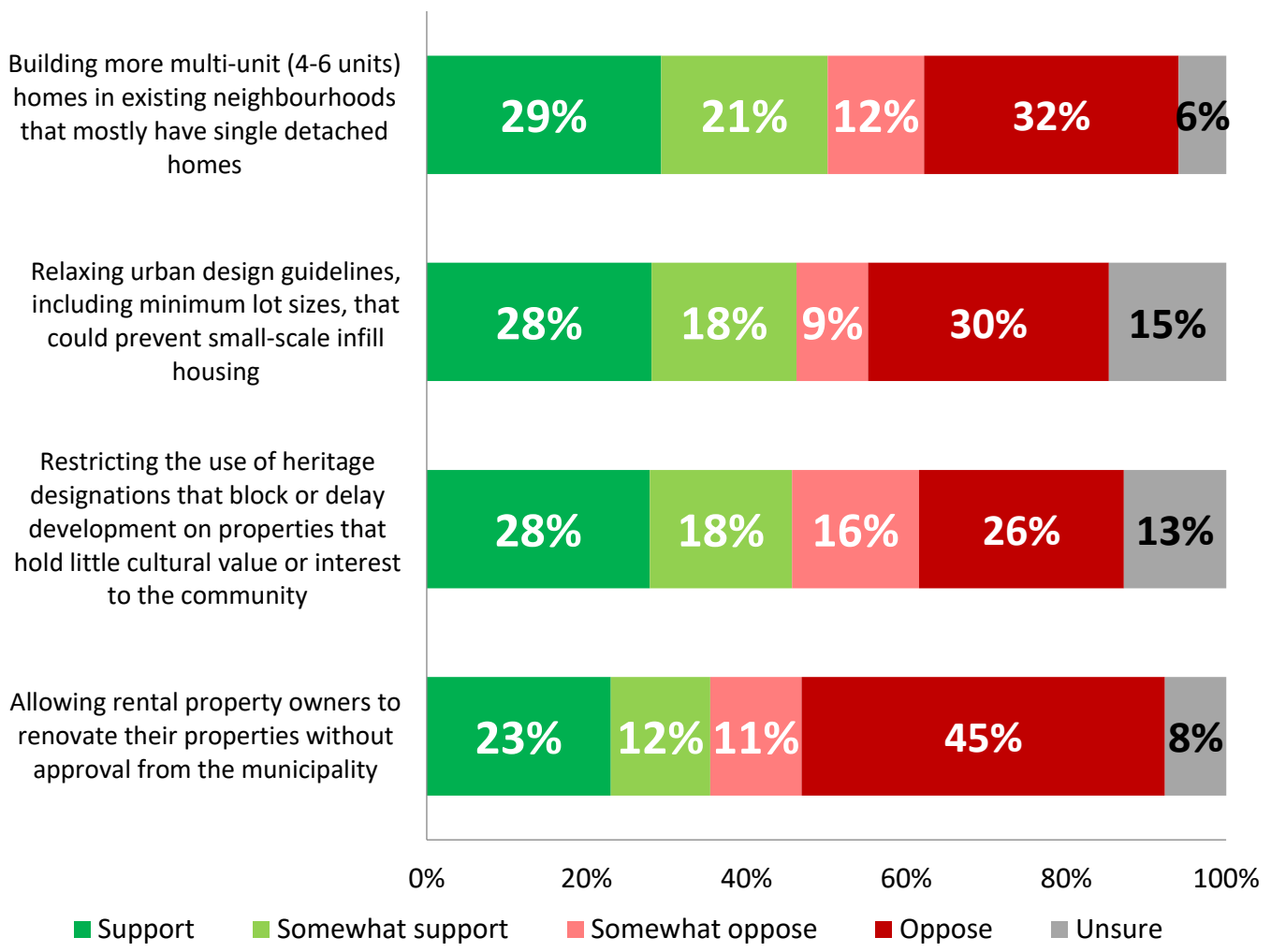
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Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Support for ways to address housing affordability in the Halton Region

Residents from Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and Burlington are

divided on the best course of action to address housing affordability in the Halton Region including on building more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes (50% support/somewhat support), relaxing urban design guidelines (46% support/somewhat support) and restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay property development (46% support/ somewhat support).



*Weighted to the true population proportion.
 *Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Level of support on building more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Building more multi-unit (4-6 units) homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Support	29.3%	28.6%	25.2%	21.8%	35.2%	28.7%	29.8%	32.5%	24.0%	32.7%
Somewhat support	20.9%	19.0%	24.3%	21.1%	20.5%	21.3%	20.4%	24.4%	20.8%	18.6%
Somewhat oppose	12.0%	12.7%	13.7%	14.1%	9.6%	9.9%	14.0%	13.5%	13.1%	10.0%
Oppose	31.9%	33.8%	32.5%	38.1%	27.4%	34.3%	29.6%	22.5%	38.7%	31.1%
Unsure	5.9%	5.9%	4.3%	4.9%	7.4%	5.7%	6.1%	7.1%	3.5%	7.7%

Residents of Halton Hills (22%) are less likely to report outright support for building more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes than the regional average (29%). Those aged 35 to 54 (39%) are more likely to outright oppose the construction of multi unit homes in neighbourhoods that mostly have single family homes as a potential way to address housing affordability issues in the Halton region than those aged 18 to 34 (23%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support on building more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Building more multi-unit (4-6 units) homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Support	29.3%	26.2%	41.7%	37.0%	26.2%	25.7%	30.7%
Somewhat support	20.9%	21.0%	17.6%	18.0%	26.1%	20.6%	18.2%
Somewhat oppose	12.0%	13.1%	7.5%	8.0%	12.1%	14.7%	12.0%
Oppose	31.9%	34.7%	24.9%	26.0%	31.3%	36.1%	32.2%
Unsure	5.9%	5.0%	8.4%	11.0%	4.3%	2.9%	6.9%

Residents of the Halton region who rent (42%) are more likely to outright support the construction of multi unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes than those who own their home (26%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support on building more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Building more multi-unit (4-6 units) homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Support	29.3%	43.1%	44.1%	34.9%	27.3%	32.2%	26.7%	23.0%
Somewhat support	20.9%	11.0%	22.5%	12.4%	29.9%	19.1%	26.4%	20.8%
Somewhat oppose	12.0%	2.9%	6.3%	16.3%	9.1%	10.0%	19.4%	12.8%
Oppose	31.9%	20.5%	22.5%	32.7%	31.6%	31.0%	23.7%	41.2%
Unsure	5.9%	22.6%	4.5%	3.7%	2.1%	7.6%	3.8%	2.2%

Residents who earn \$60K and under (44% for those who make \$40K to \$60K; 43% for those who make under \$40K) are more likely to outright support the building of more multi-unit homes in existing neighbourhoods that mostly have single detached homes. Those who earn \$150K and above (41%) are more likely to outright oppose this.

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Support	23.0%	21.3%	23.7%	18.0%	26.1%	26.4%	19.9%	27.8%	23.5%	19.3%
Somewhat support	12.5%	12.0%	9.1%	14.3%	14.5%	11.9%	13.0%	18.1%	11.8%	9.4%
Somewhat oppose	11.4%	10.8%	11.9%	9.6%	12.4%	10.8%	12.0%	11.1%	13.9%	9.0%
Oppose	45.5%	47.2%	49.2%	50.0%	39.6%	45.5%	45.4%	30.1%	44.8%	56.4%
Unsure	7.7%	8.6%	6.1%	8.1%	7.4%	5.4%	9.7%	12.9%	6.0%	5.9%

Residents of the Halton region who are 55 and older (56%) are almost twice as likely to outright oppose allowing rental property owners renovate their properties without municipal approval than those aged 18 to 34 (30%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Support	23.0%	20.9%	29.3%	28.1%	30.2%	17.0%	19.0%
Somewhat support	12.5%	11.6%	14.8%	13.6%	13.8%	12.9%	10.4%
Somewhat oppose	11.4%	12.5%	6.9%	11.1%	9.8%	15.3%	10.0%
Oppose	45.5%	49.0%	37.3%	39.3%	37.5%	46.4%	54.4%
Unsure	7.7%	6.1%	11.8%	7.9%	8.7%	8.4%	6.1%

Over half (54%) of those who have been residents for thirty or more years report outright oppose allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without municipal approval. Residents who have lived in their municipality for eleven to twenty years (30%) report outright support for allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval at a higher rate than the aggregate (23%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Allowing rental property owners to renovate their properties without approval from the municipality

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Support	23.0%	23.4%	32.7%	31.8%	21.5%	15.4%	20.0%	24.9%
Somewhat support	12.5%	21.0%	12.5%	12.4%	16.1%	11.1%	10.7%	13.2%
Somewhat oppose	11.4%	7.0%	10.3%	12.7%	6.2%	11.4%	9.8%	16.7%
Oppose	45.5%	42.9%	35.5%	36.8%	49.2%	50.8%	48.1%	41.9%
Unsure	7.7%	5.6%	9.0%	6.3%	6.9%	11.2%	11.4%	3.3%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Level of support towards restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Support	27.9%	28.8%	25.5%	20.8%	30.8%	30.4%	25.6%	25.1%	30.2%	27.5%
Somewhat support	17.8%	18.8%	19.4%	18.7%	15.4%	17.1%	18.4%	16.2%	17.8%	18.8%
Somewhat oppose	15.9%	15.1%	19.1%	16.8%	14.4%	14.9%	16.8%	19.6%	15.2%	14.1%
Oppose	25.6%	28.4%	26.2%	30.0%	20.8%	26.2%	25.0%	21.2%	28.6%	25.4%
Unsure	12.8%	8.9%	9.9%	13.8%	18.7%	11.4%	14.1%	17.9%	8.2%	14.2%

Halton Hills residents are less likely to support (21%) restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community than residents in the region overall (28%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Support	27.9%	27.8%	27.8%	32.0%	25.3%	30.9%	25.7%
Somewhat support	17.8%	18.3%	17.0%	17.2%	15.5%	19.7%	18.6%
Somewhat oppose	15.9%	15.6%	15.8%	7.0%	21.9%	16.0%	15.3%
Oppose	25.6%	27.8%	20.7%	27.1%	25.3%	23.3%	26.9%
Unsure	12.8%	10.4%	18.7%	16.8%	12.0%	10.1%	13.5%

Residents with ten years of residence or less (7%) are less likely to somewhat oppose restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community than those with eleven years and more.

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Support	27.9%	32.4%	29.1%	28.2%	30.1%	21.6%	24.9%	32.0%
Somewhat support	17.8%	18.3%	27.7%	17.1%	13.5%	18.2%	15.1%	17.4%
Somewhat oppose	15.9%	11.0%	11.3%	18.7%	12.4%	20.3%	26.7%	14.6%
Oppose	25.6%	26.1%	18.2%	24.3%	33.1%	23.1%	25.4%	26.1%
Unsure	12.8%	12.3%	13.8%	11.7%	10.7%	16.8%	7.9%	10.0%

Those who earn \$120K to just under \$150K (27%) are more likely to somewhat oppose restricting the use of heritage designations that block or delay development on properties that hold little cultural value or interest to the community than those who make under \$40K (11%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing – By region, age and gender

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Support	28.1%	27.9%	25.6%	21.3%	32.3%	28.3%	28.0%	26.0%	28.5%	29.2%
Somewhat support	18.1%	14.4%	20.6%	22.1%	19.2%	20.2%	16.2%	24.3%	16.8%	15.3%
Somewhat oppose	9.0%	9.5%	7.6%	8.2%	9.5%	8.9%	9.0%	8.8%	9.5%	8.5%
Oppose	30.1%	33.7%	32.6%	36.1%	22.7%	31.2%	29.2%	20.0%	32.7%	34.2%
Unsure	14.7%	14.5%	13.6%	12.3%	16.4%	11.4%	17.7%	20.9%	12.5%	12.8%

Residents of Halton Hills are less likely than the other municipalities in the Halton region to outright support the relaxing of urban design guidelines as a way to address housing affordability. Residents of the city of Burlington (23%) report being outright opposed to the relaxing of urban design guidelines at a rate lower than the aggregate (30%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Support	28.1%	26.6%	33.9%	32.9%	26.3%	24.7%	29.8%
Somewhat support	18.1%	17.3%	22.9%	14.8%	23.2%	18.7%	15.1%
Somewhat oppose	9.0%	10.0%	4.7%	2.5%	10.1%	12.6%	8.5%
Oppose	30.1%	33.0%	21.5%	24.4%	27.8%	30.9%	34.3%
Unsure	14.7%	13.1%	17.0%	25.3%	12.6%	13.0%	12.2%

A quarter of those who have been residents for tens years or less report being unsure about whether urban design guidelines should be relaxed as a potential way to address housing affordability issues in the Halton region.

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Level of support towards relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing – By income

Q - [NEW] Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following as potential ways to address housing affordability issues in the Halton Region? [RANDOMIZE]

Relaxing urban design guidelines, including minimum lot sizes, that could prevent small-scale infill housing

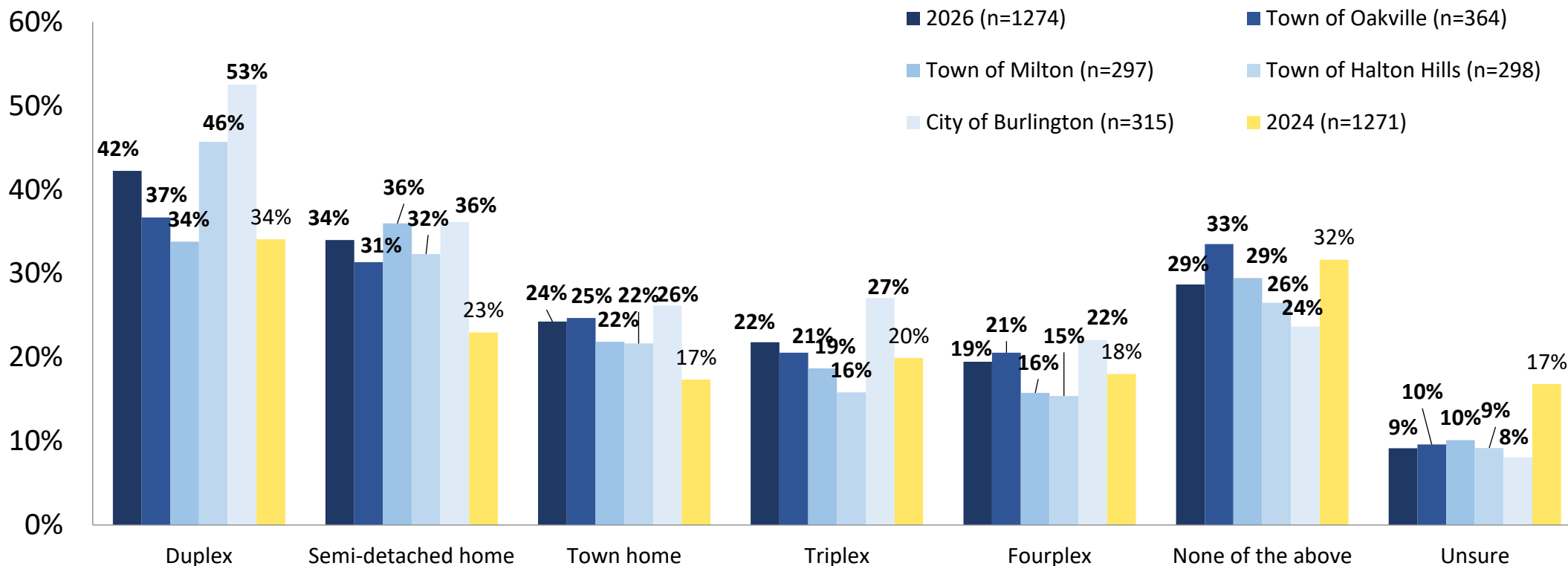
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Support	28.1%	37.7%	31.7%	32.4%	30.5%	28.3%	31.6%	21.5%
Somewhat support	18.1%	12.6%	29.7%	23.3%	15.0%	19.5%	17.1%	17.8%
Somewhat oppose	9.0%	7.0%	8.4%	9.3%	9.9%	7.8%	9.5%	13.4%
Oppose	30.1%	17.8%	23.6%	21.6%	35.9%	25.7%	33.4%	35.4%
Unsure	14.7%	25.0%	6.6%	13.5%	8.7%	18.8%	8.3%	11.9%

Residents who earn \$40K to just under \$60K are more likely to support or somewhat support (61%) the relaxing of urban design guidelines than those who earn \$150K and above (39%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Type of homes that homeowners can convert their single-family homes into – Tracking

Q – Which of the following types of homes should existing homeowners be able to convert their single-family homes into, if any? (Select all that apply) [RANDOMIZE]



Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Type of homes that homeowners can convert their single-family homes into – Tracking – By demographics

Q – Which of the following types of homes should existing homeowners be able to convert their single-family homes into, if any? [Rank 1]

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	First ranked								
		Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Duplex	42.2%	36.7%	33.8%	45.7%	52.5%	41.4%	42.9%	48.6%	43.7%	36.4%
Semi-detached home	34.0%	31.3%	36.0%	32.3%	36.1%	35.1%	33.0%	43.5%	32.6%	29.1%
Town home	24.3%	24.7%	21.8%	21.6%	26.2%	24.9%	23.7%	37.0%	22.1%	18.0%
Triplex	21.8%	20.6%	18.7%	15.8%	27.1%	23.1%	20.6%	30.7%	21.6%	16.0%
Fourplex	19.5%	20.5%	15.7%	15.4%	22.0%	20.8%	18.3%	28.1%	17.9%	15.4%
None of the above (unprompted)	28.7%	33.5%	29.5%	26.5%	23.7%	29.5%	27.9%	12.1%	33.8%	34.5%
Unsure (unprompted)	9.2%	9.6%	10.1%	9.2%	8.1%	7.5%	10.7%	17.3%	5.0%	8.0%

Residents of the city of Burlington (53%) are more likely to believe that homeowners should be able to convert their single-family homes into a duplex than residents of the town of Milton (34%).

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Type of homes that homeowners can convert their single-family homes into – Tracking – By home ownership and years of residence

Q – Which of the following types of homes should existing homeowners be able to convert their single-family homes into, if any? [Rank 1]

	First ranked						
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Duplex	42.2%	40.5%	46.9%	37.5%	42.8%	49.0%	39.1%
Semi-detached home	34.0%	30.2%	43.3%	40.4%	34.5%	36.1%	28.6%
Town home	24.3%	19.8%	36.2%	27.5%	25.9%	27.0%	19.2%
Triplex	21.8%	18.8%	28.2%	20.5%	20.0%	29.1%	18.4%
Fourplex	19.5%	16.4%	27.2%	20.0%	17.7%	24.8%	16.7%
None of the above (unprompted)	28.7%	33.9%	14.4%	19.2%	24.6%	30.5%	35.6%
Unsure (unprompted)	9.2%	7.9%	11.7%	14.2%	10.2%	6.5%	7.7%

Residents who rent report being more open to having homeowners be able to convert their single-family homes into other types of housing. Those who have been residents for 21 to 30 years are more open to having homeowners convert their housing to a duplex (49%) or triplex (29%) than the aggregate.

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

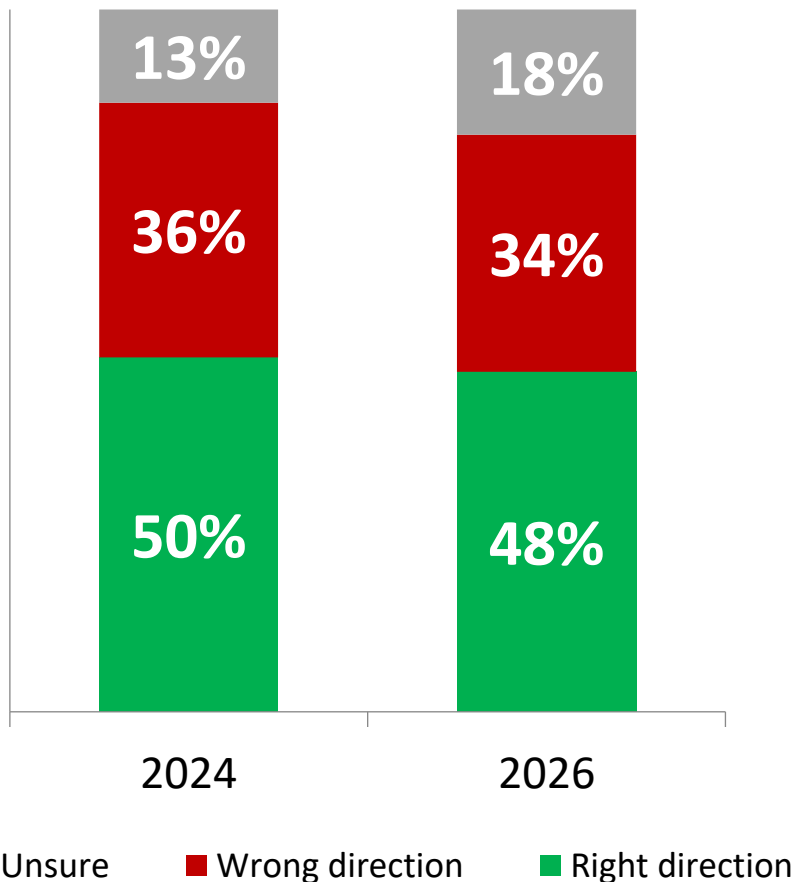
Type of homes that homeowners can convert their single-family homes into – Tracking – By Income

Q –Which of the following types of homes should existing homeowners be able to convert their single-family homes into, if any? [Rank 1]

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	First ranked						
		Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Duplex	42.2%	53.6%	40.1%	45.4%	49.0%	43.2%	45.9%	40.4%
Semi-detached home	34.0%	43.2%	28.5%	31.1%	37.7%	36.8%	36.2%	35.0%
Town home	24.3%	37.3%	18.3%	21.8%	22.4%	29.6%	22.3%	23.0%
Triplex	21.8%	30.7%	15.1%	19.8%	24.3%	27.7%	16.7%	21.0%
Fourplex	19.5%	32.0%	16.5%	16.2%	22.9%	23.0%	14.9%	17.5%
None of the above (unprompted)	28.7%	22.8%	28.6%	25.9%	22.5%	25.1%	28.6%	32.5%
Unsure (unprompted)	9.2%	6.3%	7.2%	6.9%	10.3%	9.8%	4.3%	6.3%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Q – [TWEAKED] Thinking about your overall mood and voting in this year's municipal elections, would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?



Direction of the community - Tracking

Views on whether their community is moving in the right direction are consistent with results from 2024. Residents continue to be more likely to say their community is moving in the right direction (48%). On the other hand, there has been a marginal increase in those who are unsure about the direction of their community (18%, compared to 13% in 2024).

*Responses with a sample size of less than 30 have been suppressed

*TWEAKED from 2024: Would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

*Weighted to the true population proportion.

*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Direction of the community – Tracking – By region, age and gender

Q – Thinking about your overall mood and voting in this year’s municipal elections, would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Oakville (n=364)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=298)	Burlington (n=315)	Male (n=692)	Female (n=582)	18 to 34 (n=213)	35 to 54 (n=443)	55 plus (n=618)
Right direction	48.4%	47.2%	41.9%	43.4%	55.5%	49.4%	47.5%	47.2%	41.9%	55.9%
Wrong direction	33.8%	34.9%	44.3%	33.1%	26.1%	34.2%	33.4%	25.1%	45.0%	27.9%
Unsure	17.8%	18.0%	13.7%	23.5%	18.4%	16.4%	19.2%	27.7%	13.0%	16.2%

Residents of the town of Milton are the only municipality are more likely to report that their town is heading in the wrong direction (44% wrong direction, 42% right direction). Residents of Burlington report that their city is heading in the right direction at a rate higher than the other surveyed regions (56% compared to 48%). Residents aged 55 and older (56%) report that their municipality is heading in the right direction more frequently than those aged 35 to 54 (42%). Those aged 35 to 54 (45%) are also more likely to report that their municipality is heading in the wrong direction than other age groups.

*TWEAKED from 2024: Would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Direction of the community – Tracking – By home ownership and years of residence

Q – Thinking about your overall mood and voting in this year’s municipal elections, would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Own (n=997)	Rent (n=216)	Ten years or less (n=187)	Eleven to twenty years (n=302)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=289)	More than thirty years (n=496)
Right direction	48.4%	46.9%	53.1%	51.7%	50.3%	45.0%	47.7%
Wrong direction	33.8%	36.8%	25.5%	22.9%	32.8%	41.5%	34.3%
Unsure	17.8%	16.2%	21.4%	25.3%	16.9%	13.4%	18.0%

Those who have been living in their city or town for twenty-one to thirty years (42%) report that their municipality is heading in the wrong direction at a rate higher than those who have been living there for ten or fewer years (23%).

*TWEAKED from 2024: Would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Direction of the community – Tracking – By income

Q – Thinking about your overall mood and voting in this year’s municipal elections, would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1274)	Under \$40K (n=64)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=91)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=148)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=113)	\$150K and above (n=310)
Right direction	48.4%	59.0%	50.5%	54.1%	49.0%	46.9%	51.9%	45.2%
Wrong direction	33.8%	17.6%	26.1%	30.3%	35.7%	36.2%	29.2%	38.1%
Unsure	17.8%	23.4%	23.4%	15.6%	15.3%	16.9%	18.9%	16.7%

Residents who earn under \$40K (18%) are almost twice less likely than the aggregate (34%) to say that their municipality is heading in the wrong direction.

*TWEAKED from 2024: Would you say that, overall, the city of Burlington/ the town of Oakville/Milton/Halton Hills is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1274, accurate 2.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Opinion towards direction of the community – By direction

Q –Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

TOP RESPONSES

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1128)	Right direction (n=571)	Wrong direction (n=418)	Unsure (n=139)
A lot of construction/high condos/many condos/A lot of development	13.1%	8.5%	22.5%	3.5%
A lot of progress has been done/doing the best they can	9.6%	18.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Don't trust city council/ Not listening to residents/Bad management	9.2%	1.3%	20.7%	7.6%
Good leadership	8.3%	15.4%	1.0%	0.5%
No complaints/Content/things are fine	6.6%	12.5%	0.4%	1.1%
It's a good place to live in/Clean	5.4%	10.1%	0.4%	0.7%
Increasing cost of living/housing/taxes	5.0%	1.1%	11.5%	1.4%
Population/the city is growing too fast	4.8%	2.2%	9.7%	1.3%
Could be better\Could be doing more	4.0%	3.6%	3.8%	6.2%
It's a bit of both\It depends\in the middle	3.7%	2.6%	0.4%	18.2%

Residents who think their community is moving in the wrong direction are most likely to say it's due to a lot of construction/high condos/many condos/a lot of development (23%). Alternatively, those who say it's going in the right direction say a lot of progress has been done/doing the best they can (19%).

Opinion towards direction of the community – By region, age and gender

Q –Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1128)	Oakville (n=324)	Milton (n=268)	Halton Hills (n=255)	Burlington (n=281)	Male (n=608)	Female (n=520)	18 to 34 (n=169)	35 to 54 (n=406)	55 plus (n=553)
A lot of construction/high condos/many condos/A lot of development	13.1%	17.7%	14.2%	7.3%	9.3%	13.1%	13.1%	8.7%	15.6%	13.0%
A lot of progress has been done/doing the best they can	9.6%	9.8%	6.4%	6.4%	12.5%	9.2%	10.0%	12.3%	8.0%	9.7%
Don't trust city council/ Not listening to residents/Bad management	9.2%	8.8%	11.6%	11.0%	7.7%	10.3%	8.3%	2.0%	13.1%	9.3%
Good leadership	8.3%	6.9%	5.6%	6.8%	12.1%	7.9%	8.7%	2.6%	4.8%	15.2%
No complaints/Content/things are fine	6.6%	6.7%	6.5%	3.3%	7.8%	7.2%	6.1%	8.2%	4.8%	7.7%
It's a good place to live in/Clean	5.4%	8.4%	3.5%	3.4%	4.0%	4.7%	6.1%	4.0%	5.9%	5.6%
Increasing cost of living/housing/taxes	5.0%	5.7%	3.7%	6.9%	4.4%	5.9%	4.1%	5.6%	6.7%	2.8%
Population/the city is growing too fast	4.8%	4.2%	8.4%	3.3%	3.6%	4.6%	5.0%	2.5%	6.7%	4.2%
Could be better\Could be doing more	4.0%	3.2%	3.6%	4.9%	4.7%	4.4%	3.6%	5.5%	3.7%	3.4%
It's a bit of both\It depends\in the middle	3.7%	3.5%	6.1%	3.2%	2.5%	3.3%	4.0%	6.8%	1.7%	3.9%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1128, accurate 2.9 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Opinion towards direction of the community – By home ownership and years of residence

Q –Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1128)	Own (n=897)	Rent (n=183)	Ten years or less (n=164)	Eleven to twenty years (n=269)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=264)	More than thirty years (n=431)
A lot of construction/high condos/many condos/A lot of development	13.1%	14.1%	8.8%	12.7%	13.9%	9.7%	15.3%
A lot of progress has been done/doing the best they can	9.6%	8.4%	12.3%	8.0%	12.2%	9.6%	8.2%
Don't trust city council/ Not listening to residents/Bad management	9.2%	10.4%	4.8%	5.9%	6.6%	11.0%	11.7%
Good leadership	8.3%	8.9%	6.9%	6.9%	5.8%	8.7%	10.8%
No complaints/Content/things are fine	6.6%	6.8%	7.5%	9.6%	7.8%	5.3%	5.3%
It's a good place to live in/Clean	5.4%	5.5%	5.5%	4.2%	5.1%	6.6%	5.3%
Increasing cost of living/housing/taxes	5.0%	5.1%	4.4%	1.7%	5.5%	8.5%	3.4%
Population/the city is growing too fast	4.8%	6.2%	1.1%	3.5%	5.0%	4.9%	5.2%
Could be better\Could be doing more	4.0%	4.1%	4.6%	3.9%	5.0%	3.9%	3.2%
It's a bit of both\It depends\in the middle	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	6.6%	3.0%	4.5%	2.0%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1128, accurate 2.9 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Opinion towards direction of the community – By income

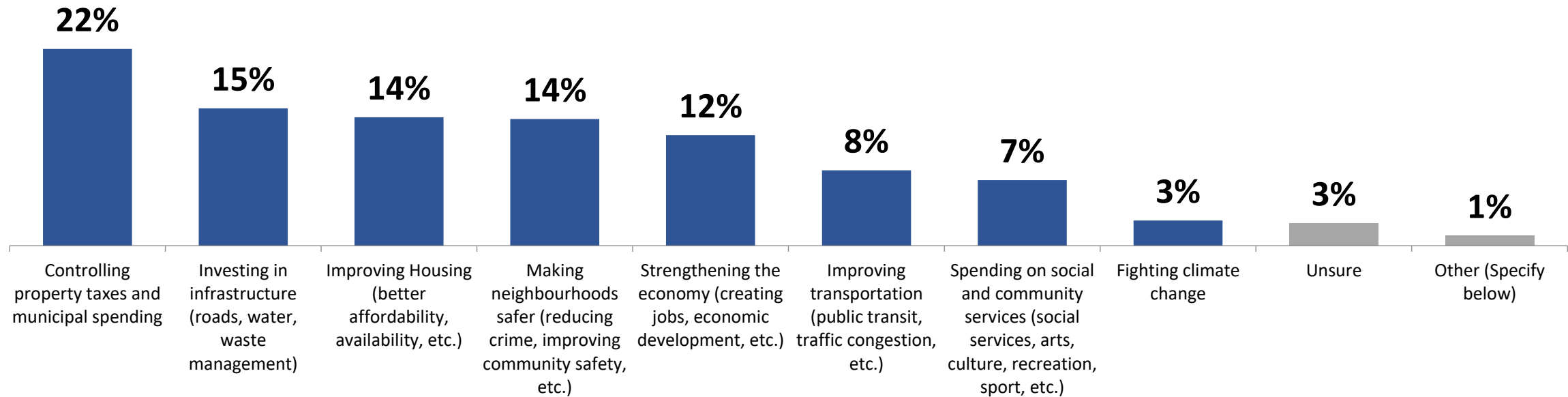
Q –Why do you have that opinion? [OPEN]

	Open							
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1128)	Under \$40K (n=53)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=77)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=104)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=136)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=104)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=102)	\$150K and above (n=281)
A lot of construction/high condos/many condos/A lot of development	13.1%	12.3%	13.8%	13.8%	14.4%	10.1%	8.4%	18.9%
A lot of progress has been done/doing the best they can	9.6%	8.9%	8.8%	13.5%	13.1%	11.5%	8.6%	7.7%
Don't trust city council/ Not listening to residents/Bad management	9.2%	1.0%	1.2%	6.3%	8.6%	8.3%	7.4%	12.2%
Good leadership	8.3%	15.7%	5.7%	14.3%	8.0%	7.1%	4.9%	7.9%
No complaints/Content/things are fine	6.6%	6.3%	4.8%	14.3%	3.0%	5.4%	9.3%	5.6%
It's a good place to live in/Clean	5.4%	11.1%	8.4%	2.6%	5.8%	7.3%	1.9%	4.6%
Increasing cost of living/housing/taxes	5.0%	1.2%	5.3%	2.9%	3.6%	7.3%	4.7%	5.0%
Population/the city is growing too fast	4.8%	3.3%	3.3%	2.7%	4.9%	3.0%	3.2%	7.5%
Could be better\Could be doing more	4.0%	2.0%	8.9%	1.2%	5.0%	5.5%	7.1%	2.5%
It's a bit of both\It depends\in the middle	3.7%	6.2%	3.2%	5.9%	1.9%	1.8%	1.1%	3.2%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 26 to April 14, 2026, n=1128, accurate 2.9 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Issues where you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on – First ranked

Q - Please rank the following issues in order of importance where 1 is the most important issue that you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on, 2 is the 2nd most important and 3 the 3rd most important.



Twenty two percent of residents reported that controlling property taxes and municipal spending was the top ranked issue of importance they wanted, and this was higher amongst residents aged 35 to 54 (28%) and homeowners (26%). Homeowners were over three times more likely to say controlling property taxes and municipal spending than those who rent (7%). Residents aged 18 to 34 (23%) and those that rent (24%) reported that they want their municipal elected leaders to focus on improving housing (better affordability, availability, etc.).

*Weighted to the true population proportion.

*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Issues where you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on – By region, age and gender

Q – Please rank the following issues in order of importance where 1 is the most important issue that you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on, 2 is the 2nd most important and 3 the 3rd most important.

	First ranked									
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1254)	Oakville (n=360)	Milton (n=297)	Halton Hills (n=292)	Burlington (n=305)	Male (n=678)	Female (n=576)	18 to 34 (n=210)	35 to 54 (n=437)	55 plus (n=607)
Controlling property taxes and municipal spending	21.9%	26.4%	16.8%	17.3%	21.6%	24.3%	19.6%	13.4%	27.6%	21.6%
Investing in infrastructure (roads, water, waste management)	15.3%	13.8%	18.6%	16.4%	14.3%	15.9%	14.7%	11.5%	16.7%	16.3%
Improving Housing (better affordability, availability, etc.)	14.3%	14.4%	10.8%	15.9%	15.9%	13.1%	15.3%	23.0%	10.1%	12.7%
Making neighbourhoods safer (reducing crime, improving community safety, etc.)	14.1%	18.7%	15.9%	11.7%	8.6%	14.4%	13.9%	11.2%	15.5%	14.6%
Strengthening the economy (creating jobs, economic development, etc.)	12.3%	9.4%	10.7%	16.5%	15.4%	13.1%	11.7%	15.0%	13.3%	9.7%
Improving transportation (public transit, traffic congestion, etc.)	8.4%	6.3%	11.6%	7.5%	9.1%	7.8%	9.1%	11.3%	7.1%	7.9%
Spending on social and community services (social services, arts, culture, recreation, sport, etc.)	7.3%	6.6%	8.7%	7.0%	7.3%	6.2%	8.3%	6.8%	6.4%	8.6%
Fighting climate change	2.8%	2.4%	3.4%	4.9%	2.3%	2.1%	3.6%	3.7%	1.6%	3.5%
Unsure	2.5%	1.8%	2.6%	2.3%	3.4%	2.1%	2.9%	3.4%	1.3%	3.2%
Other (Specify below)	1.1%	0.4%	0.9%	0.5%	2.1%	1.1%	1.0%	0.8%	0.4%	1.9%

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Issues where you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on – By home ownership and years of residence

Q - Please rank the following issues in order of importance where 1 is the most important issue that you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on, 2 is the 2nd most important and 3 the 3rd most important.

	First ranked						
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1254)	Own (n=980)	Rent (n=213)	Ten years or less (n=184)	Eleven to twenty years (n=300)	Twenty-one to thirty years (n=283)	More than thirty years (n=487)
*Subgroups which are statistically different than the average are highlighted yellow.							
Controlling property taxes and municipal spending	21.9%	26.3%	7.3%	14.0%	20.5%	23.1%	26.1%
Investing in infrastructure (roads, water, waste management)	15.3%	16.5%	13.9%	7.2%	14.2%	18.3%	17.9%
Improving Housing (better affordability, availability, etc.)	14.3%	11.0%	23.8%	16.5%	16.9%	12.1%	12.5%
Making neighbourhoods safer (reducing crime, improving community safety, etc.)	14.1%	14.1%	13.4%	23.0%	10.4%	14.0%	12.8%
Strengthening the economy (creating jobs, economic development, etc.)	12.3%	11.7%	16.2%	13.1%	16.4%	11.3%	9.4%
Improving transportation (public transit, traffic congestion, etc.)	8.4%	8.1%	8.5%	10.4%	8.1%	9.9%	6.6%
Spending on social and community services (social services, arts, culture, recreation, sport, etc.)	7.3%	6.9%	8.9%	6.4%	7.3%	7.8%	7.4%
Fighting climate change	2.8%	2.9%	2.7%	4.0%	3.2%	1.6%	2.9%
Unsure	2.5%	1.4%	4.9%	3.7%	2.0%	1.4%	3.2%
Other (Specify below)	1.1%	1.1%	0.3%	1.7%	1.0%	0.5%	1.1%

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Issues where you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on – By income

Q - Please rank the following issues in order of importance where 1 is the most important issue that you'd like your local/municipal elected leaders to focus on, 2 is the 2nd most important and 3 the 3rd most important.

	First ranked							
	Aggregate 2026-04 (n=1254)	Under \$40K (n=62)	\$40K to just under \$60K (n=88)	\$60K to just under \$80K (n=113)	\$80K to just under \$100K (n=144)	\$100K to just under \$120K (n=121)	\$120K to just under \$150K (n=111)	\$150K and above (n=304)
Controlling property taxes and municipal spending	21.9%	20.8%	12.9%	24.5%	14.0%	23.8%	16.7%	24.2%
Investing in infrastructure (roads, water, waste management)	15.3%	8.2%	14.7%	13.5%	19.9%	19.1%	17.0%	15.8%
Improving Housing (better affordability, availability, etc.)	14.3%	21.7%	18.7%	7.2%	15.4%	17.4%	14.5%	10.7%
Making neighbourhoods safer (reducing crime, improving community safety, etc.)	14.1%	14.6%	14.4%	14.7%	19.4%	7.4%	10.3%	16.1%
Strengthening the economy (creating jobs, economic development, etc.)	12.3%	15.5%	21.5%	11.9%	7.9%	9.0%	15.3%	14.5%
Improving transportation (public transit, traffic congestion, etc.)	8.4%	6.8%	0.5%	11.0%	9.0%	8.8%	14.9%	7.4%
Spending on social and community services (social services, arts, culture, recreation, sport, etc.)	7.3%	6.2%	11.7%	14.9%	7.1%	14.0%	6.7%	4.7%
Fighting climate change	2.8%	1.1%	3.3%	0.8%	4.0%	0.5%	3.3%	3.4%
Unsure	2.5%	1.9%	2.3%	1.5%	2.6%	-	1.3%	1.8%
Other (Specify below)	1.1%	3.2%	-	-	0.8%	-	-	1.4%

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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) random telephone survey of 364 residents from Oakville, 297 residents from Milton, 298 residents from Halton Hills and 315 residents from Burlington, 18 years of age or older, between March 26 and April 14, 2026. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey. The sample is geographically stratified to be representative of the towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington.

Individuals were randomly called using random digit dialling with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for a random survey of 1,274 residents of the towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington is ± 2.8 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

The research was commissioned by the Oakville, Milton and District Real Estate Board and was conducted by Nanos Research.

Note: Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.



Element	Description
Research sponsor	The Oakville, Milton and District Real Estate Board
Population and Final Sample Size	1,274 Randomly selected individuals.
Source of Sample	ASDE
Type of Sample	Probability
Margin of Error	±2.8 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) random telephone survey
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across The towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington.
Demographics (Captured)	The towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington. Men and Women; 18 years and older. Six-digit postal code was used to validate geography.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work.
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs to those recruited.
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.
Field Dates	March 26 to April 14, 2026
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in English.
Standards	Nanos Research is a member of the Canadian Research Insights Council (CRIC) and confirms that this research fully complies with all CRIC Standards including the CRIC Public Opinion Research Standards and Disclosure Requirements. https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/

Element	Description
Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of The towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington. See tables for full weighting disclosure.
Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data.
Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines.
Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of The towns of Oakville, Milton, Halton Hills and the city of Burlington.
Estimated Response Rate	Five percent, consistent with industry norms.
Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Question Content	All questions asked are included in the report.
Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research
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Data tables	By region, age, gender, home ownership, household income and years in community



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