

Perception of TIPP Program Survey (Tax Instalment Payment Plan)

Key Findings Report



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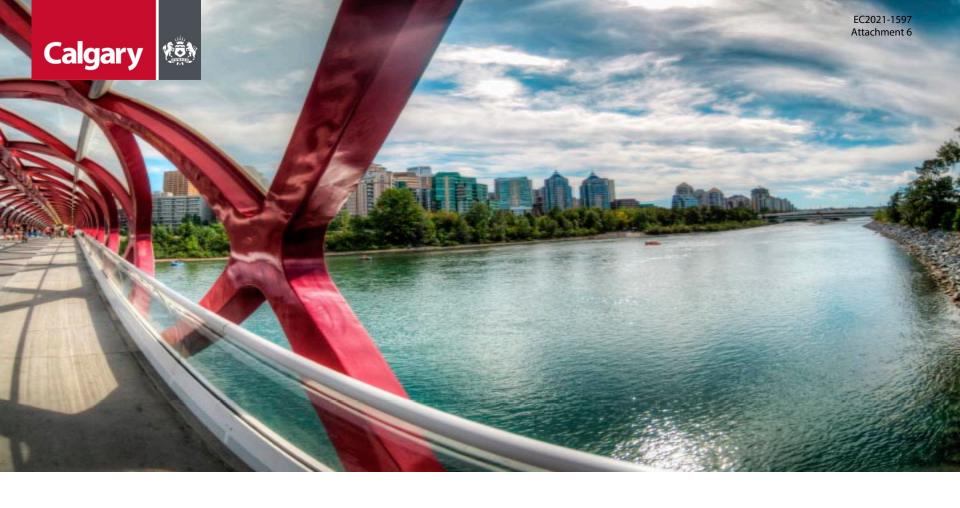
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Background and Objectives



Research Methodology

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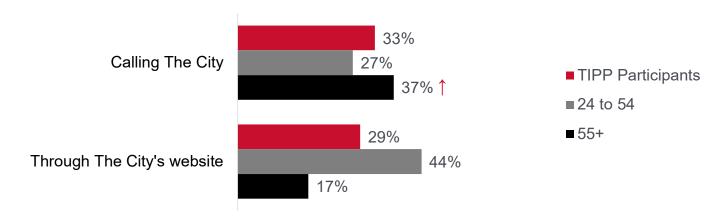
Calgary who are responsible for paying property tax. Quotas were set by quadrant to ensure coverage from across the City:

Completed Surveys	TIPP Participants	Non- Participants
Northeast	29	76
Northwest	69	79
Southeast	49	79
Southwest	63	66
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±6.8%, 19 times out of 20 for TIPP Participants and ±5.7%, 19 times out of 20 for Non-Participants.

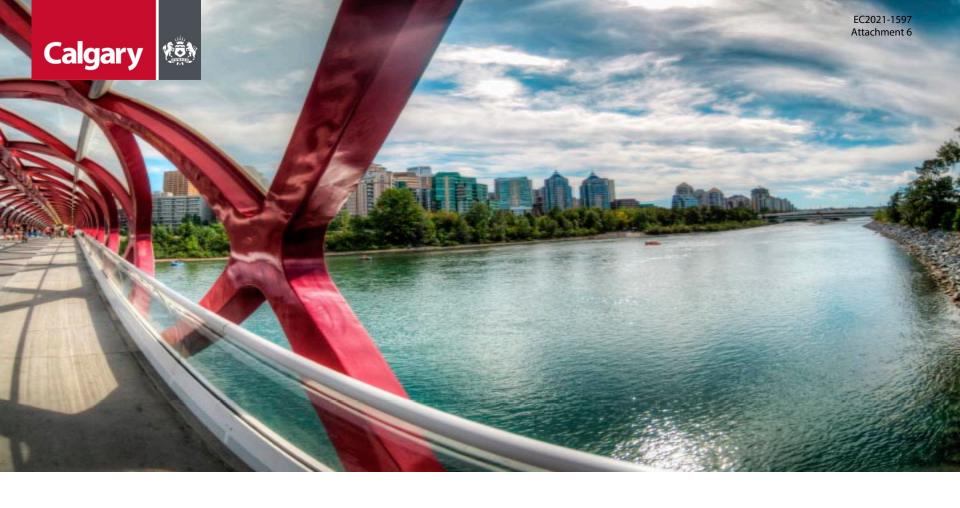


In this report, the \(\) denotes one group is statistically higher than the other.



In this example, respondents aged 24 to 54 are compared to those aged 55 or more. Participants who are aged 55 or more are significantly more likely to have contacted The City to request to receive an agreement over the phone than those aged 24 to 54. Conversely, younger Participants were more likely to have contacted The City through their website.

A z-test for two proportions was conducted, significance is reported for a 95% confidence level.

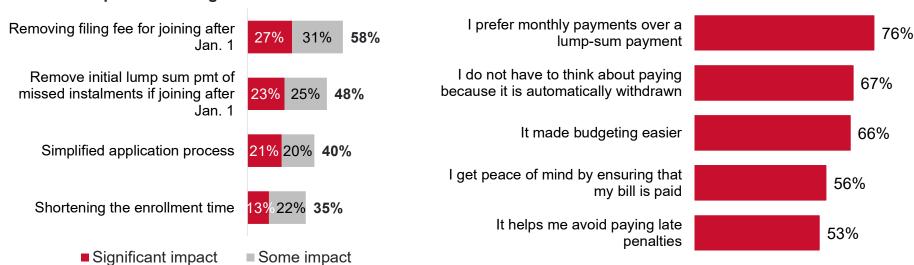




TIPP Participants



Impact on Willingness to Enroll

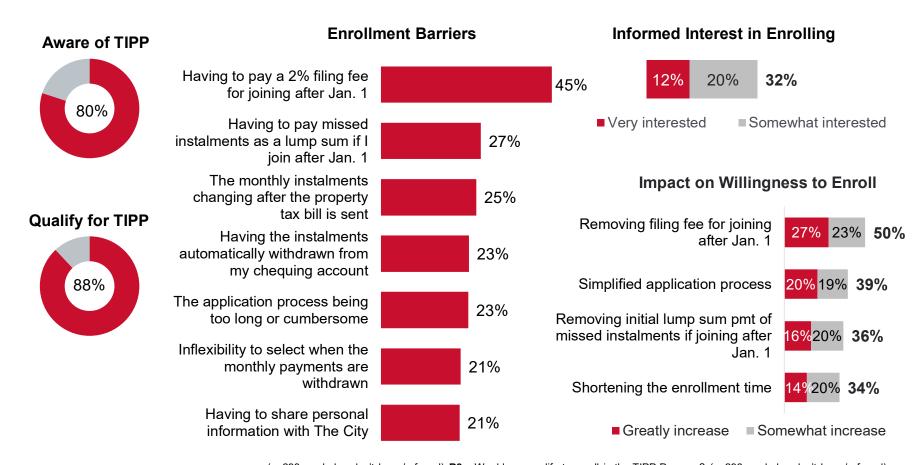


Base: TIPP Participants

A3 - Overall, how satisfied are you with TIPP? (n=208; excludes don't know/refused) A8 - To the best of your recollection, how easy was it to enroll in TIPP? (n=210) A15 - If this change had been in effect when you enrolled in TIPP, how would it have impacted your willingness to enroll? (n=208-210; excludes don't know/refused) A6 - To the best of your recollection, why did you enroll in TIPP? (n=209; excludes don't know/refused)



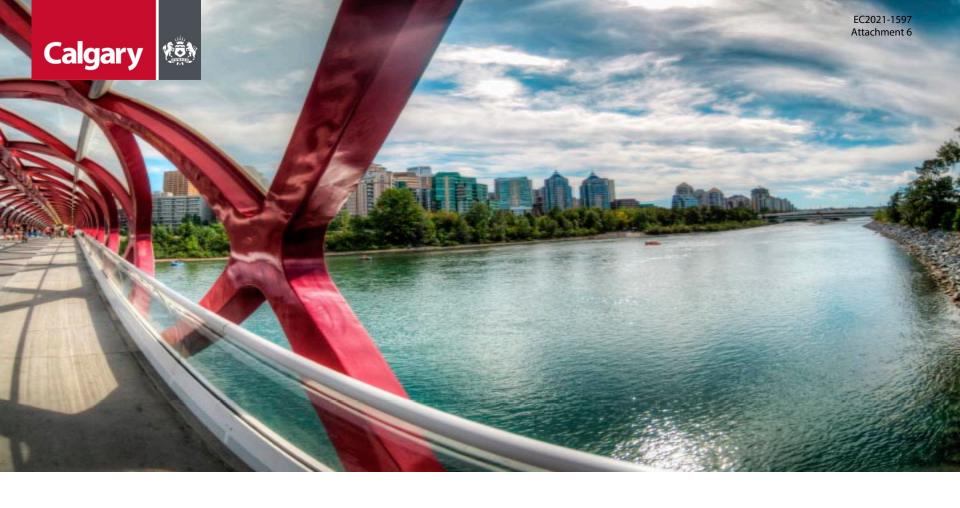
TIPP Non-Participants



(n=298; excludes don't know/refused) **B8** – Would you qualify to enroll in the TIPP Program? (n=296; excludes don't know/refused) **B9** – Now that you have learned a little more about the Tax Installment Payment Plan, how interested are you in enrolling in the program, assuming you were able to? (Non-Participants: n=294; Has a mortgage n=100; 25 to 54 n=77; excludes don't know/refused) **B5** – Which of these, if any, would be a barrier to you joining TIPP? (n=288; excludes don't know/refused) **B6** – If the following changes were made to the Tax Installment Payment Plan, how would this impact your willingness to enroll in the program? (n=295-298; excludes don't know/refused)



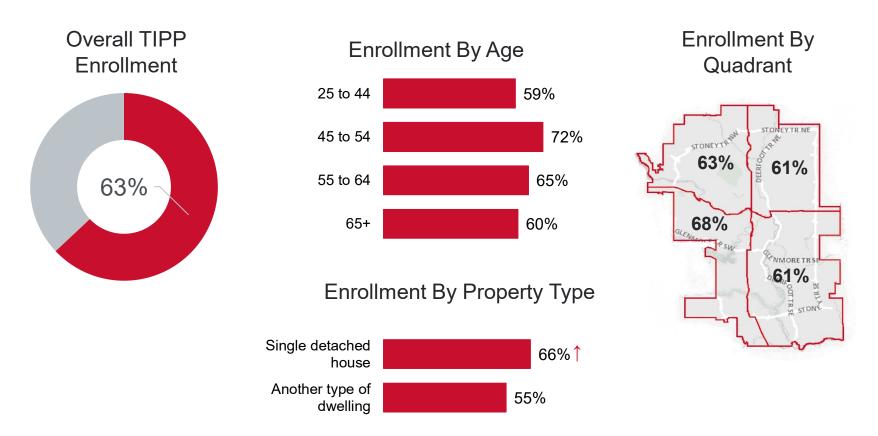
Recommendations





TIPP Enrollment

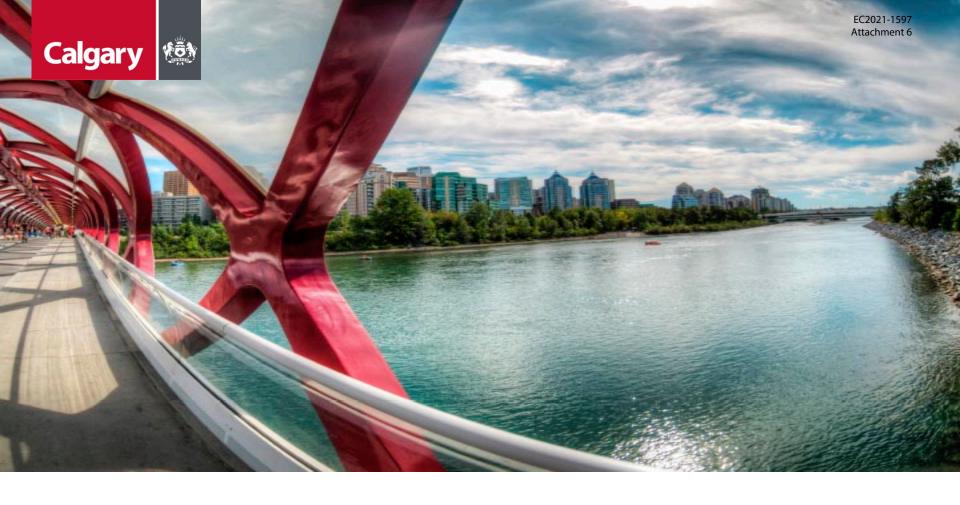
Overall, 63% of property owners in Calgary are enrolled in TIPP. Enrollment is higher among those who own a single detached house compared to those who own some other type of dwelling, and enrollment is slightly higher among those who are 45 to 54. Enrollment does not vary significantly by quadrant.



Base: Full sample + Terminated (n=816)

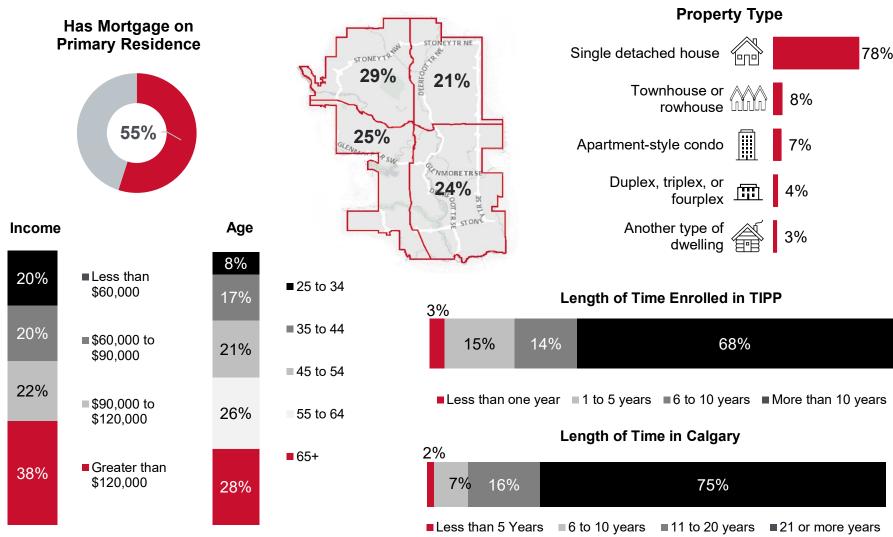
S1 - What type of property do you own and pay property tax on? (Single detached house n=630; Another type of dwelling n=185; excludes don't know/refused) Age - Which of the following age categories do you fall into? (25 to 44 n=111; 45 to 54 n=118; 55 to 64 n=197; 65+ n=390) Int 2 - So we can ensure we are speaking to property owners from all areas of The City, in what quadrant of the City do you own property? (Southwest n=194; Southeast n=195; Northwest n=220; Northeast n=207);

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TIPP Participant Profile

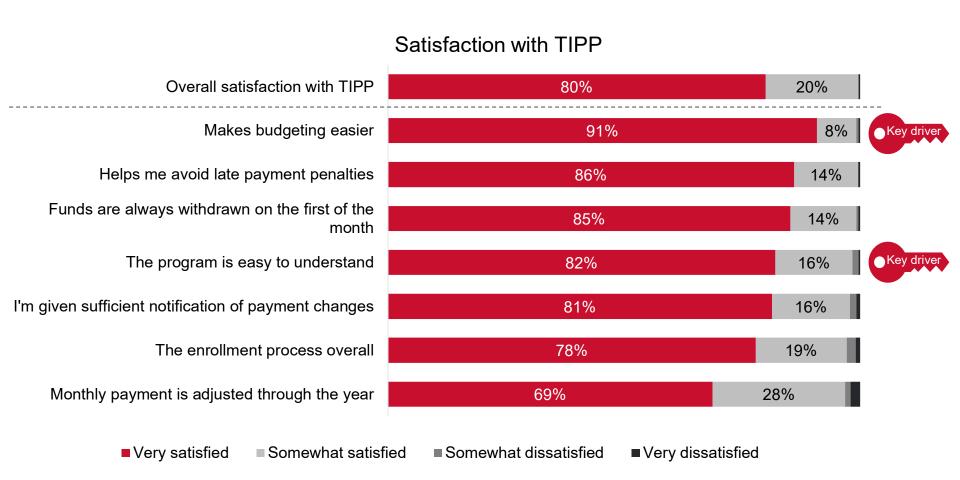


Base: TIPP Participants

S1 - What type of property do you own and pay property tax on? (n=209; excludes Don't know/refused) D3 - Do you still have a mortgage on your primary residence? (n=209; excludes Don't know/refused) D5 - Which of the following best describes your household income? (n=173; excludes Don't know/refused) Age - Which of the following age categories do you fall into? (n=210) D4 - How long have you lived in Calgary? (n=210) A2 - To the best of your recollection, how long have you been enrolled in TIPP? (n=210) Int 2 - So we can ensure we are speaking to property owners from all areas of The City, in what quadrant of the City do you own property? (n=210)



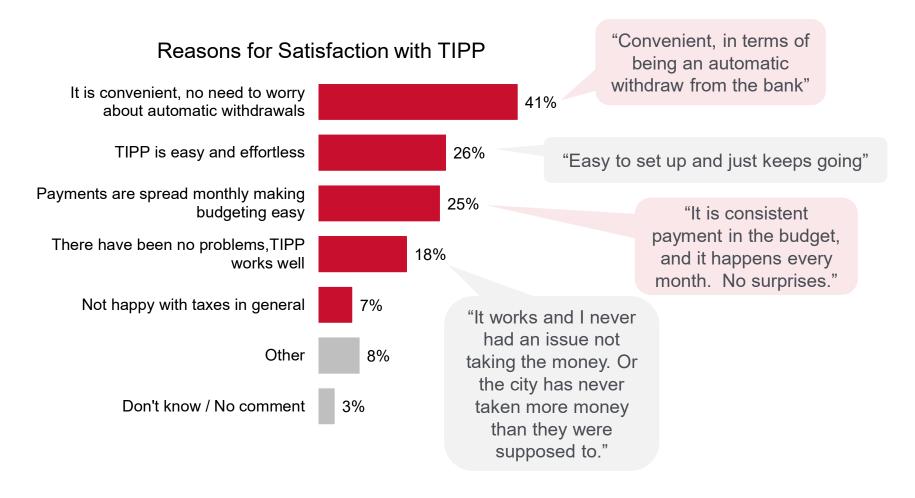
Satisfaction with TIPP



^{3 -} Overall, how satisfied are you with TIPP? (n=208; excludes don't know/refused) A4 - How satisfied are you with the following components of TIPP? (n=181 - 206; excludes don't know/refused)



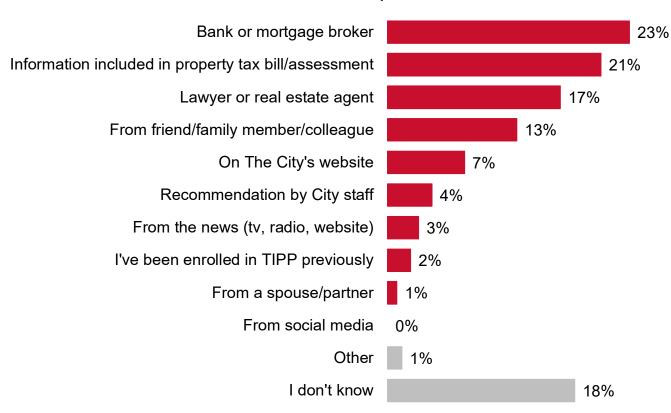
Reasons for Satisfaction with TIPP

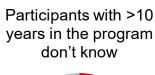


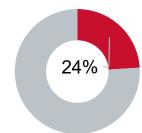


Learning About TIPP

How Participants Learned about TIPP





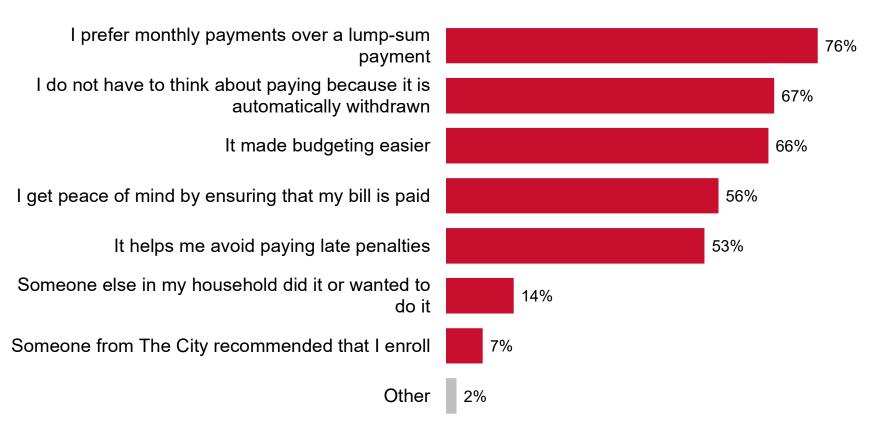


^{5 -} To the best of your recollection, how did you learn about the Tax Installment Payment Plan? (n=210)



Reason for Enrollment

Reasons for Enrollment



^{6 -} To the best of your recollection, why did you enroll in TIPP? (n=209; excludes don't know/refused)



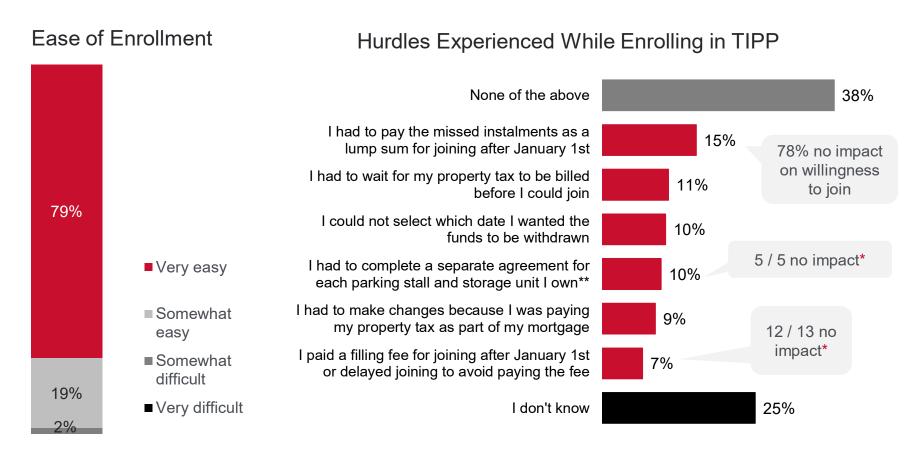
Enrollment Process

Method Used to Contact The City Reasonable Time to Receive an Agreement 33% 5% Calling The City 27% Less than one 10% 37% business day 29% Through The City's website 44%1 ■ Within 2 to 3 17% business days 9% Visited City Hall 9% Within 4 to 6 23% 8% business days ■ TIPP Participants 5% Bank, mortgage broker, real ■ Within 7 to 10 4% ■ 24 to 54 estate agent business days 6% **55+** 35% ■ More than 10 Other business days 22% ■ I don't know Don't know 13% 11% 30% 1

^{7 –} To the best of your recollection, how did you contact The City to request to receive an agreement to join? (n=210), A9 – What do you think is a reasonable time to receive a customized agreement from The City to join TIPP after a request is submitted? (n=210). ↑ denotes a significantly higher percentage than the other age group.



Improving Enrollment

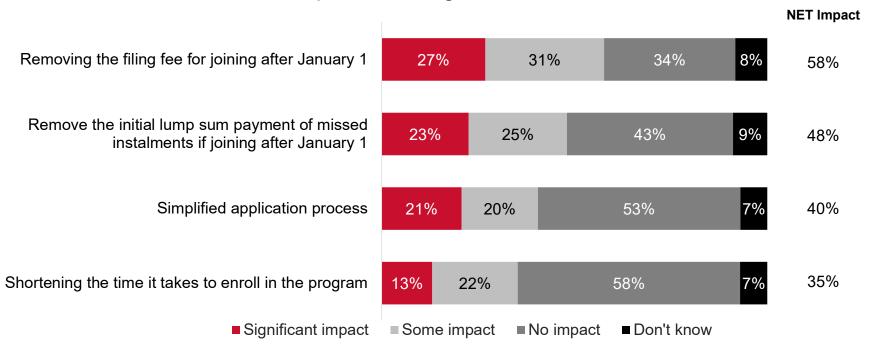


⁸ – To the best of your recollection, how easy was it to enroll in TIPP? (n=209; excludes refused; **n=56; condo owner with parking stall/storage unit) **A11** – You indicated you paid a filling fee for joining after January 1st or delayed joining to avoid paying the fee. How did this impact your willingness to join TIPP? (n=13; selected option in A10, * small base), **A12** – You indicated that you had to complete separate agreements for each parking stall and storage unit you own. How did this impact your willingness to join TIPP? (n=5; selected option in A10 and condo owner with parking stall/storage unit, * small base) **A13** – You indicated you had to pay a lump sum for the missed tax instalment since you joined after January 1st. How did this impact your willingness to want to join TIPP? (n=32; selected option in A10)



Impact of Changes to TIPP

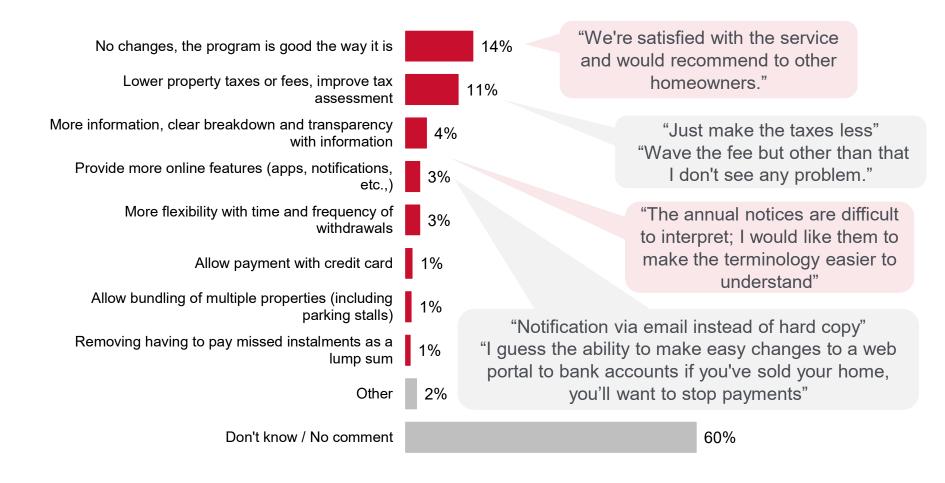
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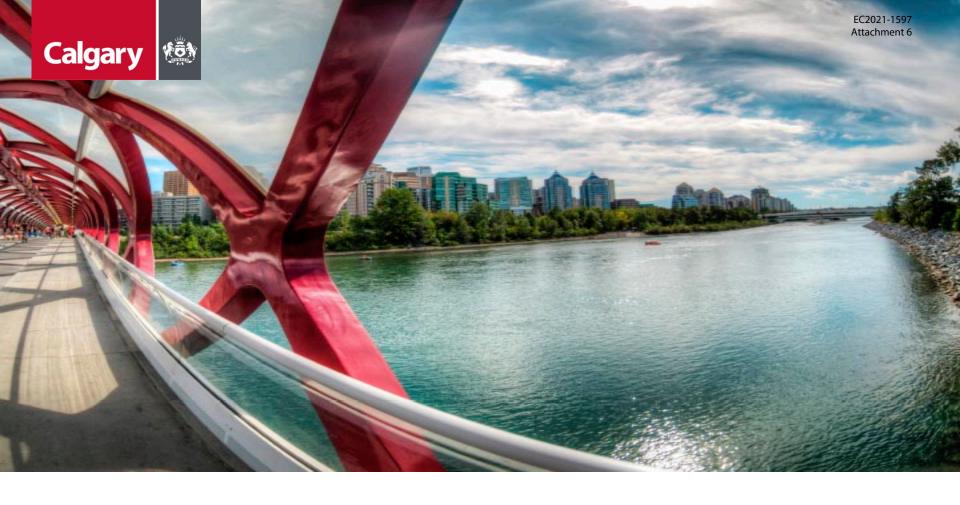


(n=208-210; excludes don't know/refused)



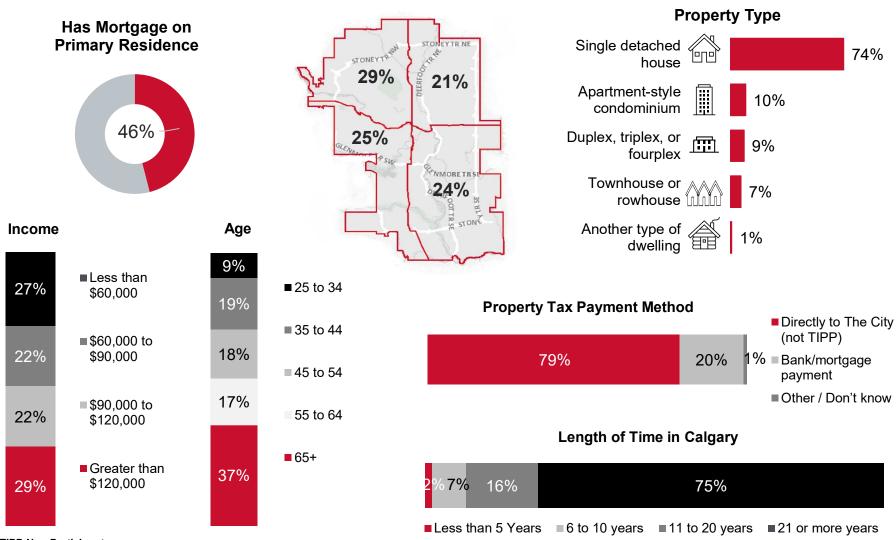
Suggested Improvements to TIPP







TIPP Participant Profile

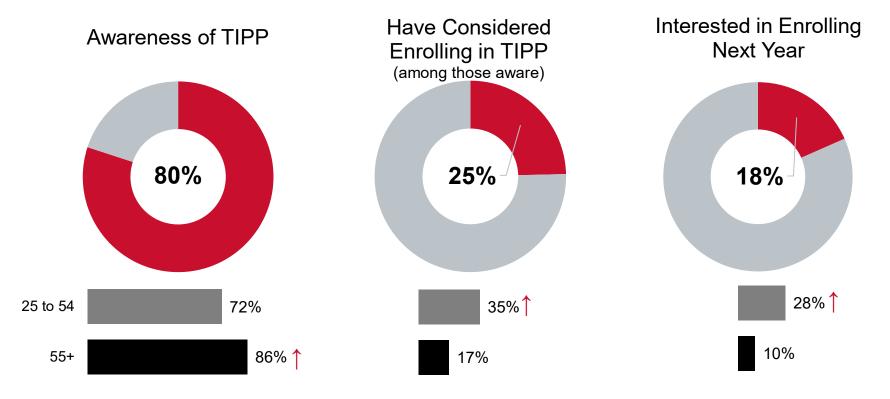


Base: TIPP Non-Participants

S1 - What type of property do you own and pay property tax on? (n=300) D3 - Do you still have a mortgage on your primary residence? (n=294; excludes don't know/refused) D5 - Which of the following best describes your household income? (n=242; excludes don't know/refused) Age - Which of the following age categories do you fall into? (n=300) D4 - How long have you lived in Calgary? (n=300) Int 2 - So we can ensure we are speaking to property owners from all areas of The City, in what quadrant of the City do you own property? (n=300) Pay - How do you currently pay your property tax? (n=300)



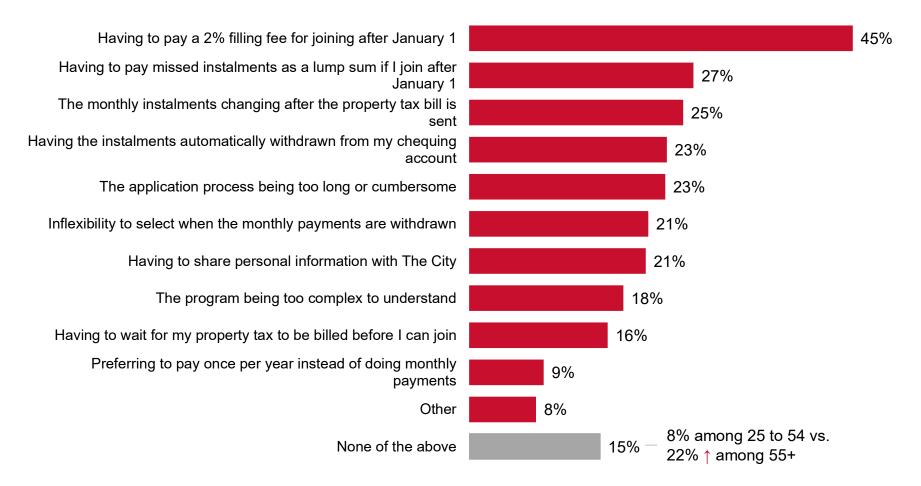
Awareness, Consideration, and Interest



(n=298; 25 to 54=79, 55+=221; excludes don't know/refused) **B3** – Have you ever considered enrolling in the TIPP Program? (n=243; 25 to 54 n=55, 55+ n=188; aware of TIPP, excludes don't know/refused) **B4** – Would you be interested in enrolling in the TIPP program in the next year? (n=300; 25 to 54 n=79, 55+ n=221) denotes a significantly higher percentage than the other age group.



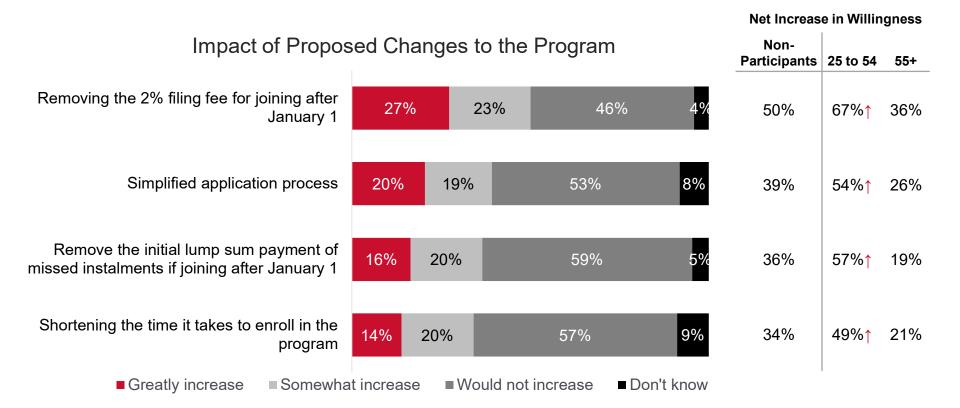
Barriers to Enrollment



(n=288; 25 to 54 n=74, 55+ n=214; excludes don't know/refused)



Impact of Program Changes



(n=295-298; 25 to 54 n=78-79; 55+ n=216-219



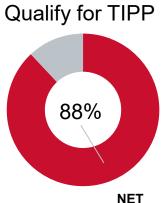
Marketing

Messaging Would like to Learn/Learned About TIPP Information included in property 21% Avoid late payment 49% 56% tax bill/assessment penalties 17% Bank or mortgage broker No need to reapply every 55% From friend/family 12% year 7% member/colleague 7% Makes budgeting easier From the news (tv, radio, website) 55% 21% (monthly instalments) I've been enrolled in TIPP 6% 0% previously Set it up and forget it 49% 6% On The City's website Aware of 4% **TIPP** 6% Do not worry about Lawyer or real estate agent 44% 0% payment deadlines ■ Not Aware of **TIPP** Recommendation by City staff 6% The City automatically 44% withdraws your payments 0% From a spouse/partner 5% None of the above 20% From social media 8% Other Other messages 3% 28% I don't know 32%

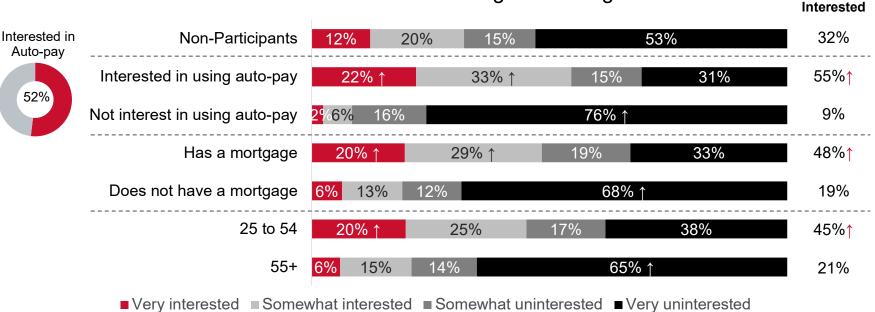
(Aware of TIPP n=247; Unaware of TIPP n=51; excludes refused) (n=290; excludes don't know/refused)



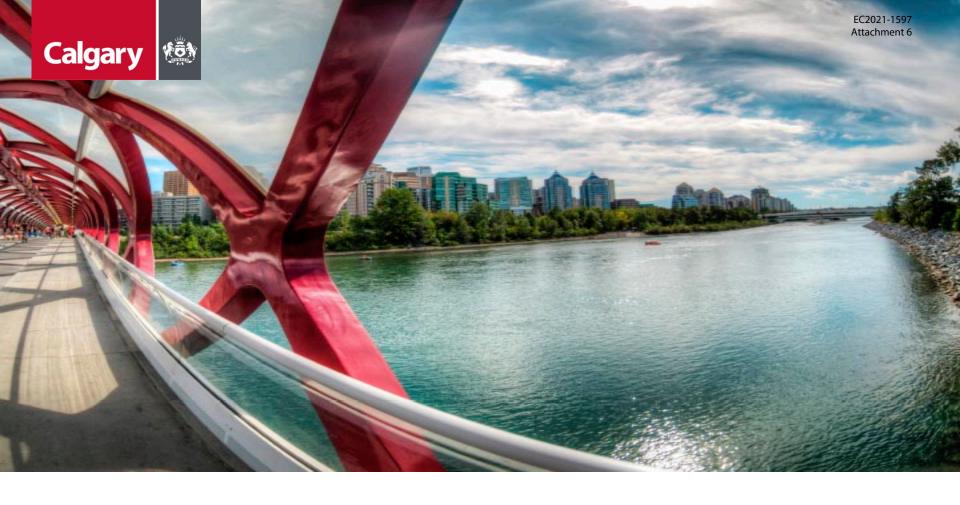
Enrollment Intent



Informed Interest in Enrolling in the Program

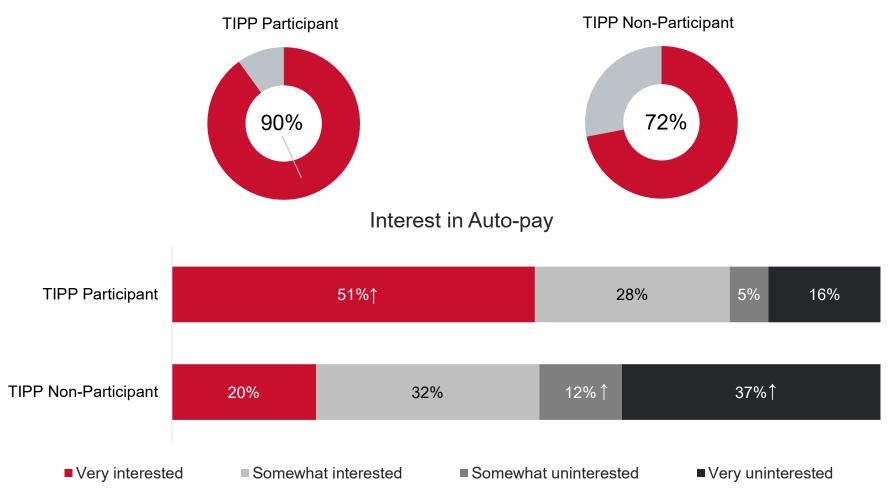


(n=296; excludes don't know/refused) **B9** – Now that you have learned a little more about the Tax Installment Payment Plan, how interested are you in enrolling in the program, assuming you were able to? (Non-Participants: n=294; Interested in auto-pay n=131; Uninterested in using auto-pay n=158; Has a mortgage n=100; Does not have a mortgage n=188; 25 to 54 n=77; 55+ n=217; excludes don't know/refused) **D1** – Are any of your other bills set-up to withdraw funds from your chequing account when they are due? (n=295; excludes don't know/refused) ↑ denotes a significantly higher percentage than the other segment.





Automatic Withdraw



Base: Full Sample

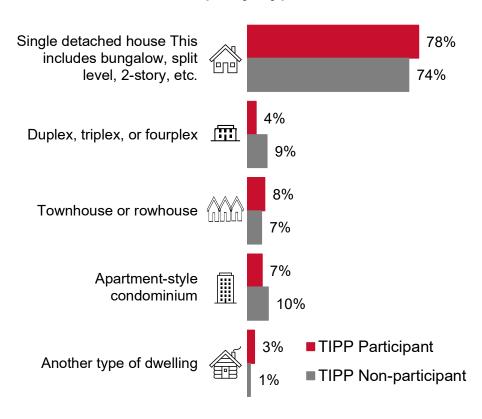
D1 - Are any of your other bills set-up to withdraw funds from your chequing account when they are due? (TIPP Participants n=207; TIPP Non-Participants n=295; excludes don't know/refused)
D2 - In general, how interested are you in having your bills set to automatically withdraw payment from your chequing account when due, assuming this option was available? (TIPP Participants n=204; TIPP Non-Participants n=293; excludes don't know/refused); ↑ denotes a significantly higher percentage than the other segment.



Property

TIPP Participant 55% TIPP Non-Participant 46%

Property Type

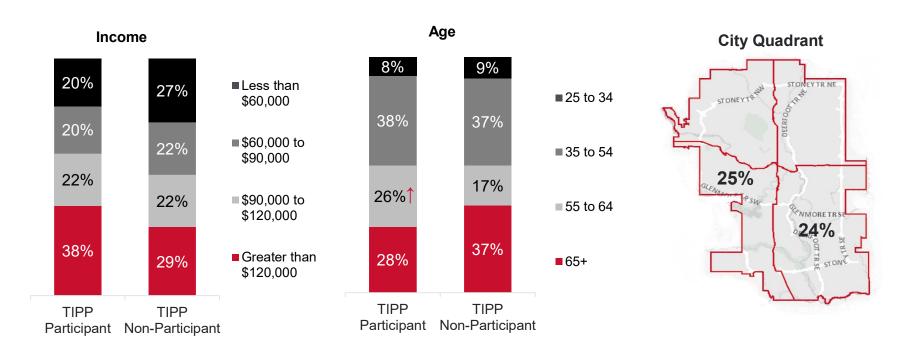


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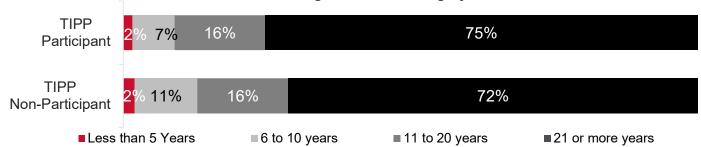
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Demographics







Base: Full Sample

D5 - Which of the following best describes your household income? TIPP Participants n=173; TIPP Non-Participants n=242; excludes don't know/refused) **Age** - Which of the following age categories do you fall into? (TIPP Participants n=210; TIPP Non-Participants n=300)) **D4** - How long have you lived in Calgary? (TIPP Participants n=210; TIPP Non-Participants n=300) **Int 2** - So we can ensure we are speaking to property owners from all areas of The City, in what quadrant of the City do you own property? (TIPP Participants n=210; TIPP Non-Participants n=300); denotes a significantly higher percentage than the other segment.



Methodology

Research sponsor (including all financial sponsors)	City of Calgary
Research/data collection supplier	Advanis
Population represented	Calgary property owners who are responsible for paying property tax
Sample size	510 (210 for TIPP Participants and 300 for Non-Participants)
Mode of data collection	Telephone survey
Source of sample	ASDE Listed & Unlisted phone number, RDD wireless phone numbers
Type of sample	Telephone numbers
Sample design	All sample contacted
Start and end dates of data collection	March 29 to April 3, 2021
Strategies used to gain cooperation	Requested permission on the phone
Margin of sampling error for total sample	±6.8% for TIPP Participants and ±5.7% for Non-Participants (95% confidence level)
Is data weighted?	Yes, by age and city quadrant within Participants and Non-Participants
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Survey text	Provided in footnotes in the report

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