

EYE ON ALBERTA

ALBERTA'S PUBLIC AFFAIRS MONITOR

-MEDICAL FEE REGULATION OPINION-

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RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

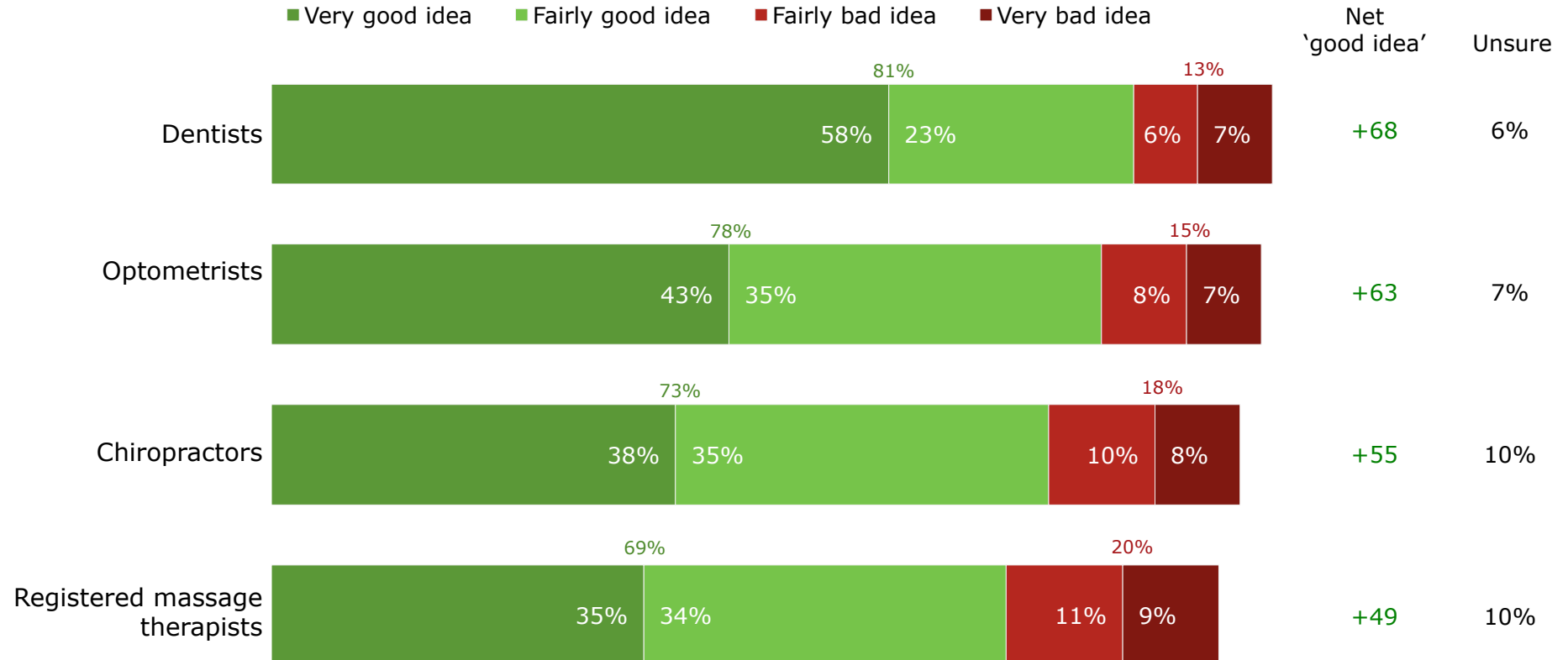
- Study fielded via online research panel
 - Field dates: September 2 to 8, 2015
 - Panel source: Voice of Alberta & Vision Critical
- n=1446
- Weighted to reflect gender, age and region of Alberta population according to Stats Canada
- This online survey utilizes a representative but non-random sample, therefore margin of error is not applicable. However, a probability sample of this size would yield a margin of error of +/- 2.6 percentage points at a 95% confidence interval.
- Accuracy of sub-samples of the data decline based on sample sizes

REGIONAL SAMPLE SIZES & MARGINS OF ERROR

	Total Interviews (Unweighted) (n)	Total Interviews (Weighted) (n)	Margin of Error (Associated with a probability sample of this size)
ALBERTA TOTAL	1446	1446	+/- 2.6
Calgary	510	485	+/- 4.3
Edmonton	438	441	+/- 4.7
North	139	187	+/- 8.3
Central	183	174	+/- 7.2
South	176	159	+/- 7.4

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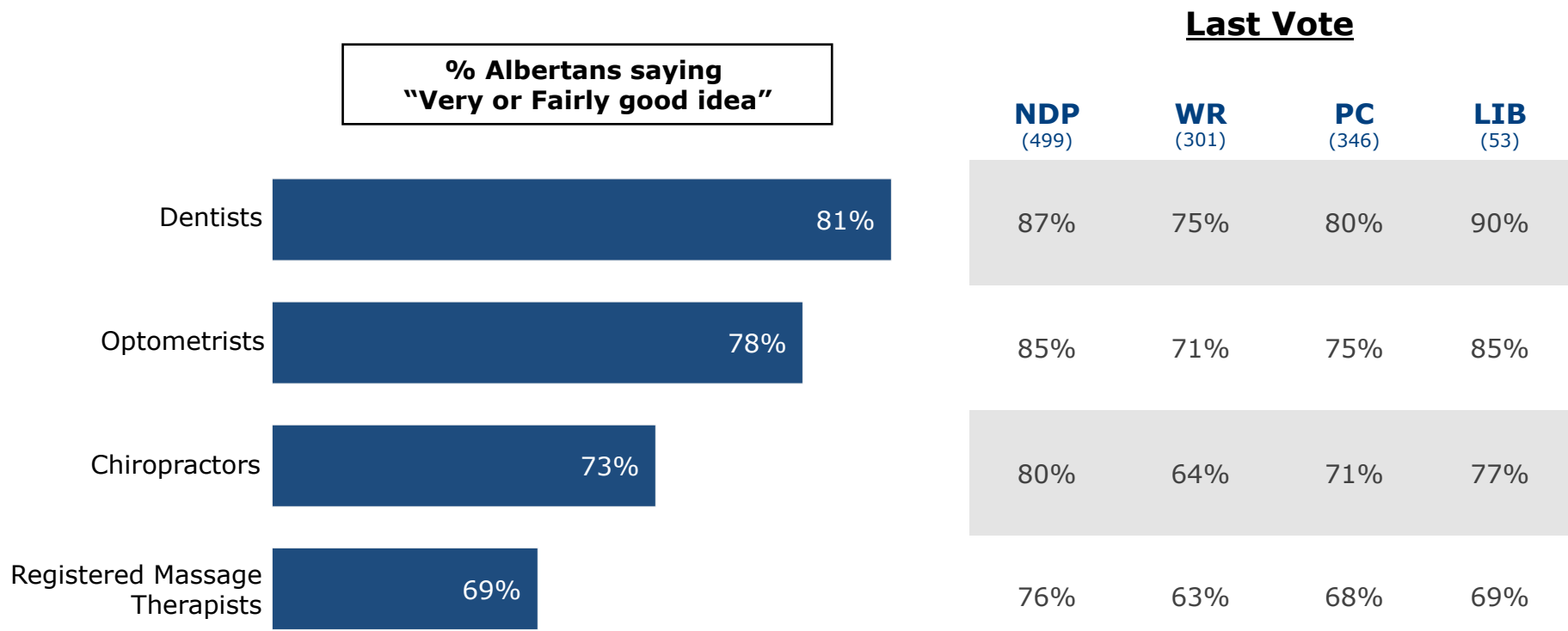


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-BY LAST VOTE-

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