

Survey of Texas 8/25/03 thru 8/27/03 MOE +/- 4.1%

1. Are you the parent or guardian of a child currently attending public school in Texas?

	Total		Region												AgeGroup							
	f	%	Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
			f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Yes	205	34.0	30	30.9	41	31.4	24	35.9	57	41.5	8	22.7	44	33.4	29	19.4	139	56.5	33	28.6	4	5.0
No	396	65.9	66	69.1	90	68.2	42	64.1	81	58.5	28	77.3	88	66.6	119	80.6	107	43.5	82	71.4	80	94.4
NS	1	.1			1	.4															1	.7
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

	AgeGroup-B									
	18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Yes	10	11.9	55	43.1	123	54.9	16	14.8	1	1.5
No	75	88.1	73	56.9	101	45.1	91	84.6	49	98.5
NS							1	.5		
Total	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0

	Gender				Race									
	Male		Female		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Yes	88	30.3	117	37.5	99	30.5	66	35.6	35	50.6	2	28.4	2	28.3
No	202	69.7	194	62.3	226	69.3	120	64.4	34	49.4	4	71.6	4	71.7
NS			1	.2	1	.2								
Total	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0	6	100.0

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2. The state board of education is currently deciding which biology textbooks should be approved for use in public schools in Texas. Which of the following two statements comes closer to your own opinion? Statement A: The state board of education should approve biology textbooks that teach only Darwin's theory of evolution and the scientific evidence that supports it. Statement B: The state board of education should approve biology textbooks that teach Darwin's theory of evolution, but also the scientific evidence against it

	Total		Region												AgeGroup							
			Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
A	95	15.7	18	19.1	21	15.9	14	21.7	24	17.1	6	16.4	11	8.5	17	11.4	39	15.8	20	17.2	19	22.5
B	450	75.0	76	78.5	98	73.8	46	69.7	93	67.2	28	79.0	110	83.1	122	83.2	179	72.6	88	76.5	59	69.0
NS	56	9.3	2	2.4	14	10.2	6	8.6	22	15.6	2	4.7	11	8.4	8	5.4	28	11.6	7	6.3	7	8.5
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

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	Yes		No		NS		18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
A	39	18.9	56	14.1			10	11.8	14	10.7	38	17.2	21	19.5	12	23.5
B	147	71.7	303	76.6	1	100.0	71	84.0	103	80.5	161	72.1	81	76.1	31	62.0
NS	19	9.4	37	9.3			4	4.2	11	8.8	24	10.8	5	4.4	7	14.6
Total	205	100.0	396	100.0	1	100.0	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0

	Gender				Race											
	Male		Female		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other			
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%		
A	39	13.4	56	17.9	56	17.3	23	12.2	13	17.9	2	28.7	1	20.7		
B	217	74.8	234	75.1	246	75.5	145	77.4	48	69.3	3	58.9	5	79.3		
NS	34	11.8	22	7.0	24	7.2	19	10.4	9	12.8	1	12.4				
Total	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0	6	100.0		

3. Texas law requires that textbooks be 'free from factual errors'. Should the state board of education apply this standard to how biology textbooks present Darwin's theory of evolution?

	Total		Region												AgeGroup							
	f	%	Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
			f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Agree	429	71.3	64	67.0	88	66.6	52	79.0	96	69.2	32	87.6	97	73.1	114	77.7	185	75.1	76	65.8	50	59.4
Disagree	118	19.7	19	19.8	30	22.9	11	16.5	29	21.0	3	7.1	26	20.0	21	14.3	41	16.8	30	25.8	24	28.5
NS	54	9.0	13	13.2	14	10.5	3	4.5	14	9.8	2	5.3	9	6.8	12	8.0	20	8.1	10	8.5	10	12.1
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

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	Yes		No		NS		18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Agree	161	78.9	267	67.4	1	100.0	62	73.6	107	83.4	158	70.6	71	66.7	27	53.8
Disagree	29	14.1	89	22.6			16	19.2	13	10.1	47	21.2	23	21.6	16	33.2
NS	14	7.0	40	10.0			6	7.2	8	6.5	18	8.3	12	11.7	6	13.0
Total	205	100.0	396	100.0	1	100.0	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0

	Gender				Race											
	Male		Female		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other			
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%		
Agree	205	70.7	224	71.9	224	68.6	151	80.9	43	61.7	4	67.9	4	61.2		
Disagree	64	22.0	55	17.5	70	21.4	26	14.0	17	25.0	2	26.6	2	34.6		
NS	21	7.3	33	10.6	33	10.0	10	5.1	9	13.2	0	5.5	0	4.2		
Total	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0	6	100.0		

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4. Texas law requires students to analyze, review, and critique scientific explanations, including hypotheses and theories, as to their strengths and weaknesses using scientific evidence and information. Should the state board of education apply this standard to how evolution is presented in textbooks?

	Total		----- Region -----												----- AgeGroup -----							
			Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Agree	492	81.8	86	89.9	107	80.6	54	81.0	108	78.0	31	86.8	106	80.3	131	89.3	211	85.6	85	74.3	59	69.2
Disagree	82	13.6	5	5.2	21	15.7	9	14.3	22	16.3	5	13.2	20	14.7	10	7.0	29	11.9	22	19.5	19	22.6
NS	27	4.5	5	5.0	5	3.7	3	4.7	8	5.8			7	4.9	5	3.7	6	2.5	7	6.2	7	8.1
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

	1. Are you the parent or guardian of a child currently attending public school in Texas?						----- AgeGroup-B -----									
	Yes		No		NS		18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Agree	173	84.6	319	80.5			78	92.1	114	89.5	179	80.0	87	80.8	28	56.5
Disagree	26	12.5	56	14.1	1	100.0	6	7.2	6	5.0	38	17.1	15	14.2	15	30.8
NS	6	2.8	21	5.4			1	.7	7	5.5	6	2.9	5	5.0	6	12.8
Total	205	100.0	396	100.0	1	100.0	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0

	--- Gender ---				----- Race -----											
	Male		Female		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other			
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%		
Agree	242	83.5	250	80.3	271	83.1	162	86.7	47	66.7	5	87.6	4	62.8		
Disagree	42	14.6	40	12.7	38	11.6	23	12.1	18	25.7	1	12.4	2	33.2		
NS	6	1.9	22	7.0	17	5.3	2	1.2	5	7.5			0	4.0		
Total	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0	6	100.0		

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5. Statement A: Biology teachers should teach only Darwin's theory of evolution and the scientific evidence that supports it. Statement B: Biology teachers should teach Darwin's theory of evolution, but also the scientific evidence against it

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			Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
A	108	18.0	25	26.2	28	20.8	12	18.4	23	16.9	4	10.8	16	12.1	26	17.8	44	17.8	18	16.1	20	23.4
B	456	75.9	69	71.5	93	70.4	46	69.5	105	76.3	31	86.6	112	84.5	118	80.3	190	77.4	86	74.4	60	71.3
Neither/NS	37	6.1	2	2.3	12	8.7	8	12.1	9	6.9	1	2.5	4	3.3	3	1.9	12	4.8	11	9.6	4	5.2
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

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	Yes		No		NS		18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+		
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	
A	46	22.4	62	15.8			16	19.3	22	16.9	38	17.1	17	16.2	15	29.8	
B	151	73.6	305	77.1	1	100.0	67	79.0	104	81.5	170	75.9	82	76.7	32	63.9	
Neither/NS	8	4.0	28	7.2			1	1.7	2	1.6	16	7.1	8	7.2	3	6.3	
Total	205	100.0	396	100.0	1	100.0	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0	

	Gender				Race											
	Male		Female		White		Hispanic		AfrAmer		Asian		Other			
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%		
A	49	17.1	59	18.9	54	16.6	37	19.8	15	21.7					1	10.5
B	220	75.9	236	75.9	251	77.1	145	77.9	46	65.8	6	100.0			5	85.5
Neither/NS	20	7.0	16	5.2	20	6.2	4	2.3	9	12.6					0	4.0
Total	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0			6	100.0

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6. Do you with the following statement: When Darwin's theory of evolution is taught in school, students should also be able to learn about scientific evidence that points to an intelligent design of life

	Total		Region												AgeGroup							
			Dallas		Houston		West		Central		South		East		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str agree	384	63.9	64	66.7	74	56.0	42	63.4	91	65.9	21	59.4	91	69.2	92	62.6	157	64.0	75	65.0	54	63.5
Smwt agree	119	19.8	17	17.3	39	29.6	11	16.1	24	17.2	8	22.6	21	15.6	38	25.9	47	19.2	17	14.7	17	19.7
Smwt disagree	31	5.2	3	2.7	5	3.6	8	12.0	7	5.1	2	6.0	7	4.9	6	4.4	16	6.5	6	5.1	2	2.5
Str disagree	43	7.2	6	5.8	11	8.7	6	8.5	10	6.9	1	4.1	9	7.2	6	3.8	16	6.5	12	10.6	9	11.2
NS	24	4.0	7	7.5	3	2.1			7	5.0	3	7.8	4	3.1	5	3.4	9	3.8	5	4.7	3	3.2
Total	601	100.0	96	100.0	132	100.0	66	100.0	138	100.0	36	100.0	132	100.0	147	100.0	246	100.0	115	100.0	85	100.0

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	Yes		No		NS		18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str agree	128	62.4	256	64.6	1	100.0	51	60.6	92	71.6	138	61.5	69	64.0	29	58.3
Smwt agree	49	23.8	70	17.8			20	23.7	27	21.5	44	19.6	21	19.4	7	13.7
Smwt disagree	11	5.5	20	5.0			6	7.6	2	1.4	14	6.5	5	5.1	2	4.3
Str disagree	10	5.0	33	8.3			4	5.0	4	3.1	18	8.1	8	7.4	9	18.2
NS	7	3.3	17	4.3			3	3.1	3	2.4	10	4.3	4	4.1	3	5.5
Total	205	100.0	396	100.0	1	100.0	85	100.0	128	100.0	224	100.0	107	100.0	49	100.0

6. Do you with the following statement: When Darwin's theory of evolution is taught in school, students should also be able to learn about scientific evidence that points to an intelligent design of life

	~~~ Total ~~~		~~~~~ Gender ~~~~~				~~~~~ Race ~~~~~									
	f	%	Male		Female		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other	
			f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str agree	384	63.9	183	63.3	201	64.4	204	62.6	124	66.5	45	64.5	5	86.4	4	66.3
Smwt agree	119	19.8	54	18.8	64	20.7	65	20.0	39	20.9	12	17.1	0	6.7	1	16.9
Smwt disagree	31	5.2	15	5.3	16	5.0	14	4.3	16	8.7			0	6.8	0	4.0
Str disagree	43	7.2	25	8.8	18	5.7	31	9.5	3	1.7	8	11.9			1	12.8
NS	24	4.0	11	3.8	13	4.1	11	3.5	4	2.3	5	6.5				
Total	601	100.0	290	100.0	311	100.0	326	100.0	187	100.0	70	100.0	6	100.0	6	100.0