

2020 Survey Report



Long Term Survey Strategy

This strategy helps us to monitor and gauge progress against defined metrics, listen better to membership, and guide future planning. The surveys speak directly to the 2017-2020 Strategic Plan Goal of connecting directly with members.

Thank you to the membership of Saskatchewan Soccer, we received significant responses to our Individual Satisfaction, Member Organization Satisfaction, and Non-Returning Player Survey. The responses collected key learnings which are reflected in this report.



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Who did we hear from?

Answer Choices	Respon	
Battleford Youth Soccer Association	2.09%	11
Esterhazy Soccer	0.57%	3
Estevan Youth Soccer Association	1.71%	9
Futbol Club (FC) Regina	11.41%	60
JJ Soccer	1.33%	7
Kindersley Soccer Association	0.57%	3
Lac La Ronge Tri-Community Soccer Association	0.19%	1
Lloydminster & District Soccer Association	4.37%	23
Meadow Lake Senior (Co-Ed) Soccer	0.19%	1
Melfort Youth Soccer Association	0.57%	3
Melville Soccer	0.76%	4
Meridian Soccer	0.38%	2
Moose Jaw Soccer Association	2.66%	14
Nipawin Indoor Soccer League (Adult)	0.57%	3
Other (please specify)	4.94%	26
Prince Albert Youth Soccer Association	5.13%	27
Qu'Appelle Valley Soccer Association	0.19%	1
Queen City United Soccer	4.18%	22
Redvers Soccer Club	0.38%	2
Regina Soccer Referees Association	0.95%	5
Rosetown Soccer Association	0.19%	1
Saskatoon & District Soccer Referees Association	0.38%	2
Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc.	9.32%	49
Saskatoon Futsal League	0.38%	2
Saskatoon Youth Soccer Inc.	32.32%	170
Stoughton Soccer Club	0.19%	1
Swift Current Soccer Association	2.85%	15
Tisdale Soccer	0.95%	5
United Soccer Organization (Langenburg)	0.57%	3
Valley Soccer Association	3.61%	19
Watrous and District Soccer Association	0.19%	1
Weyburn Soccer Association	2.28%	12
Yorkton United FC	3.61%	19
	Answered	526

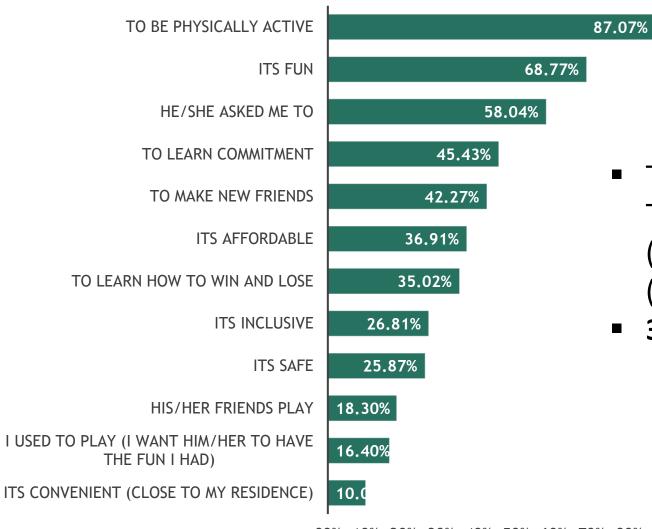
- **526** Individuals completed the survey.
- Respondents were: 64 %
 Parents, 21% Player, 7%
 Coach, 1.7% Organizer, 1.5%
 Referee and 4% Other.



Parents and Players



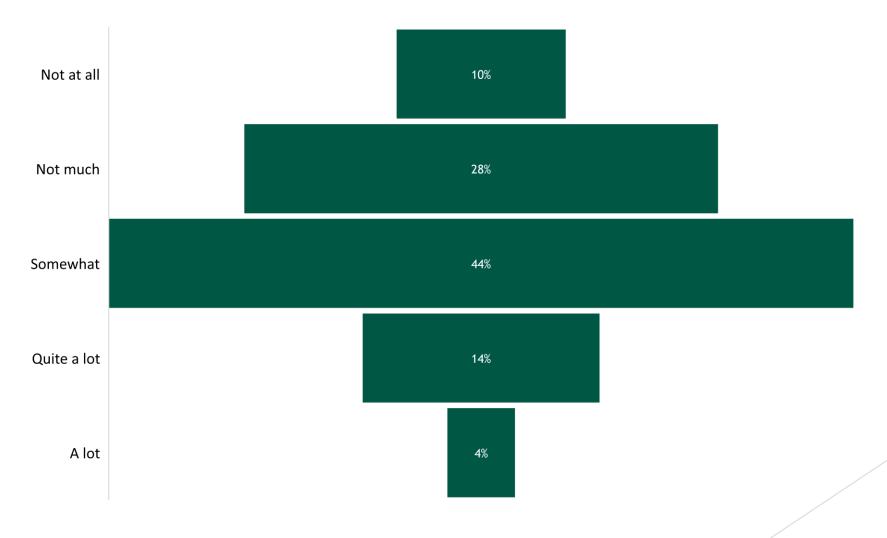
Why did parents decide to enroll their child in soccer?



- The top two responses:
 To be physically active
 (87%) and Its fun
 (69%).
- **317** Parents Responded

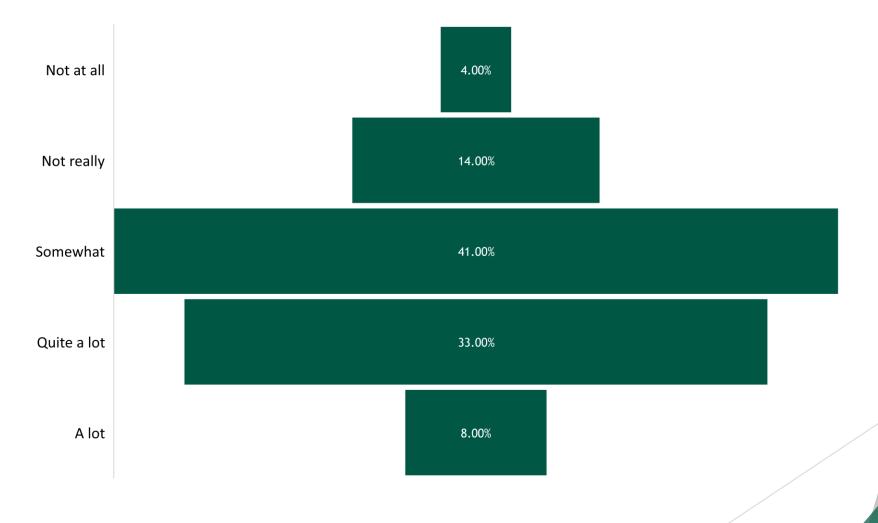


Do did players feel they have developed or improved this past year?





To what extent did players feel the soccer environment they played in matched their abilities and ambitions in the game?





To what extent did players soccer experiences have positive impact:



Mental Health

- Quite a lot (39%)
- A lot (28%)
- Somewhat (14%)
- Not Much (14%)
- Not at all (5%)

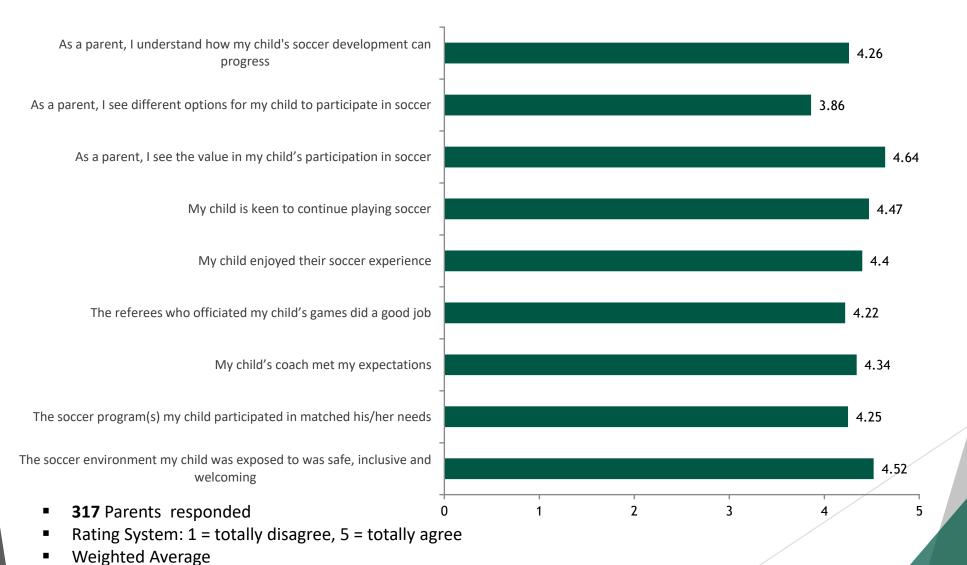


Physical Health

- Quite a lot (41%)
- A lot (17%)
- Somewhat (31%)
- Not Much (7%)
- Not at all (4%)



Asked Parents to agree or disagree with the following statements:



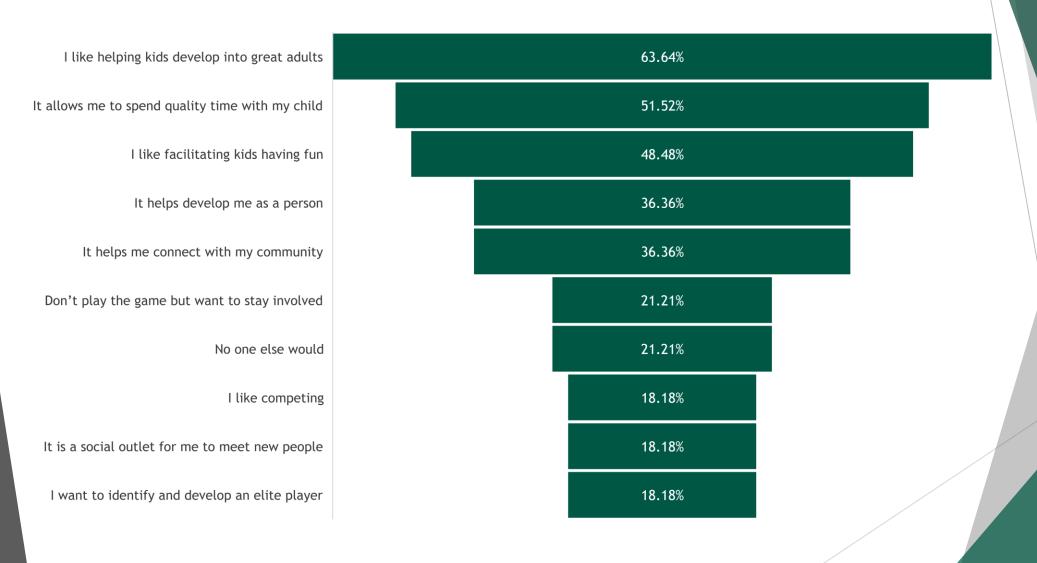




Coaches

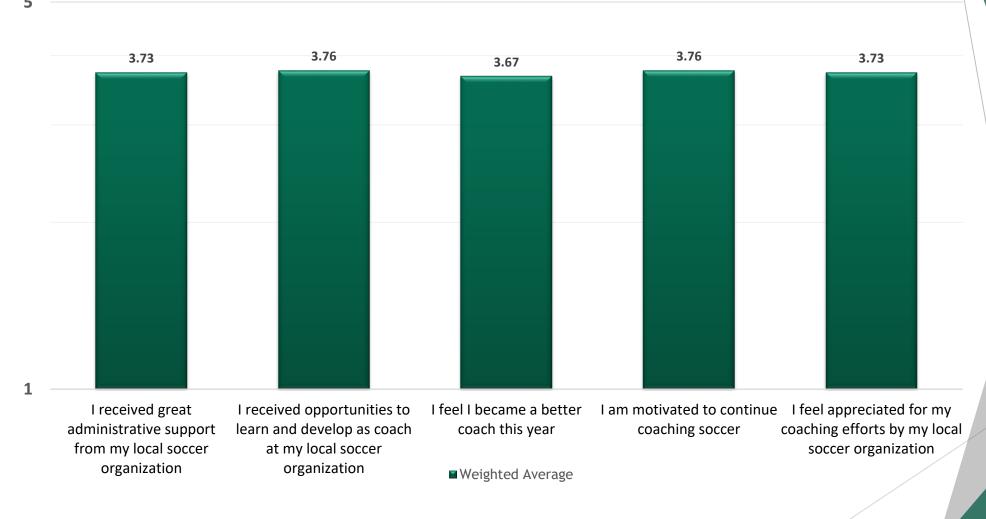


Why did you decide to coach soccer this past year?





We asked coaches to agree or disagree with the following statements.



- 33 Coaches Responded
- Rating System: 1 = totally disagree, 5 = totally agree

Did coaches take part in any new education this past year?



New Qualifications

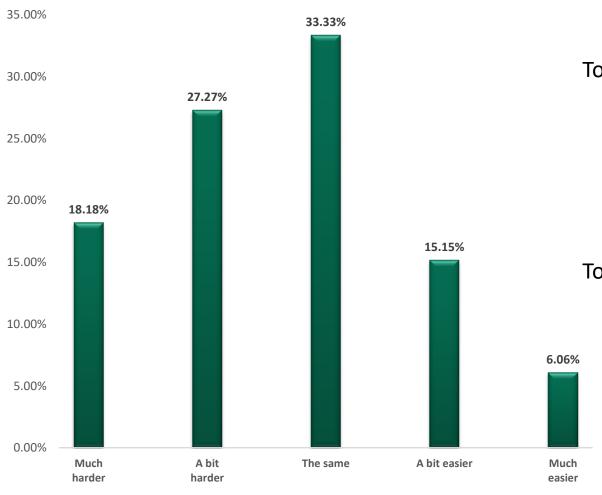
- No (61%)
- Yes (39%)

Did the **New Qualifications** help improve coaching skills?

- Quite a lot (38%)
- A lot (23%)
- Somewhat (31%)
- Not Much (0%)
- Not at all (8%)



Was coaching easier or harder this year?



Top 3 Reason it was more **difficult**:

- Lack of Games (73%)
- Time Commitment Required (20%)
- Lack of Coaching and or Administrative Support (20%)

Top 3 Reason it was **easier**:

- Coaching Support (71%)
- Coaching is Appreciated (71%)
- Coaching Education (57%)

- 33 Coaches Responded
- Top 3 reasons was answered as multiple choice





Referees



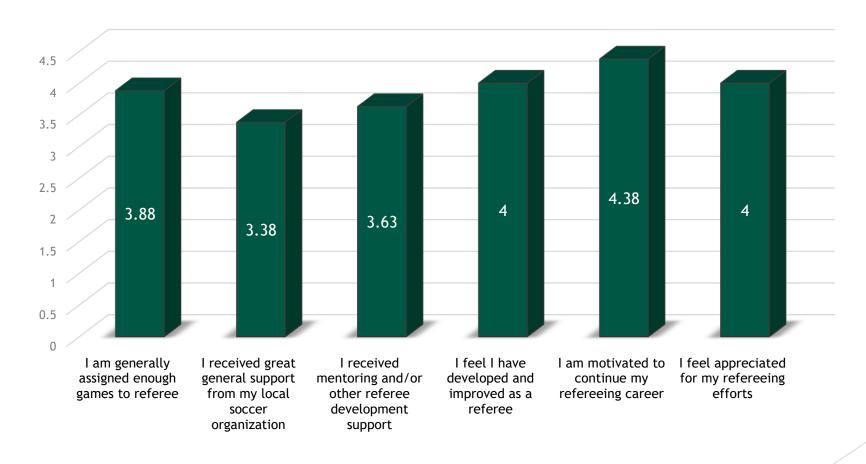
What was the main reason to become a referee?

Answer Choices	Responses
I like administering rules	25%
I like helping people have fun	25%
It is a social outlet for me	25%
It develops me as a person	25%
I don't play anymore but want to stay involved	0%
It is an opportunity to earn some money	0%

 8 Referees completed the survey.



We asked referees to agree or disagree with the following statements:



- 8 Referees completed the survey.
- Rating System: 1 = totally disagree, 5 = totally agree
- Weighted Average



How where the referees game time experiences?

Have you ever experienced abusive behaviour from players, coaches or spectators while refereeing?

- Yes (75%)
- No (25%)

How often?

- Less than 10% of Games (83%)
- Less than 25% of Games (17%)

Referees ranked how often abuse is received from players, coaches, parents, and spectators (highest to lowest occurrences):

- Coaches
- Players
- Parents
- Spectators







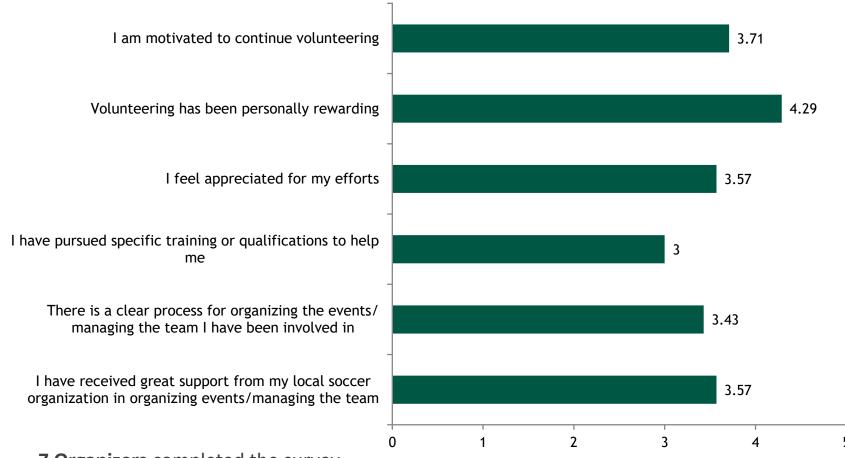
What was the main reason to help organize events?

Answer Choices	Responses
It is what my local soccer organization needed me to do	57 %
I have previous experience	43%
It is a short-term volunteer commitment that I can manage	43%
I like organizing things; its a personal strength of mine	29%
It is a great way to connect with my local community	29%
I like the social element	14%
It helps me get active and outdoors	14%
I get to be part of soccer events, even though I don't personally play	14%
It is a volunteer commitment that doesn't require too much work	14%
I get a great sense of accomplishment when an event is successfully completed	14%

 7 Organizers completed the survey.



We asked organizers to agree or disagree with the following statements.



- 7 Organizers completed the survey.
- Rating System: 1 = totally disagree, 5 = totally agree
- Weighted Average

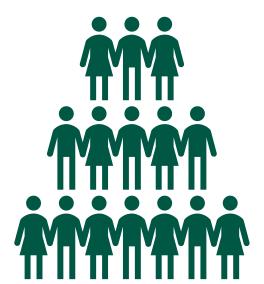




We ask individuals to rate the value of SSA membership:

To what degree do you feel your involvement in soccer this past year was value for your membership in the Saskatchewan Soccer Association?

- Quite a lot (26%)
- A lot (9%)
- Somewhat (40%)
- Not really (15%)
- Not at all (11%)



To what degree do you feel your involvement in soccer this past year was value for the money you invested in it?

- A lot (12%)
- Quite a lot (30%)
- Somewhat (35%)
- Not Much (13%)
- Not at all (11%)



What experiences are potentially withholding players participation in soccer next year?



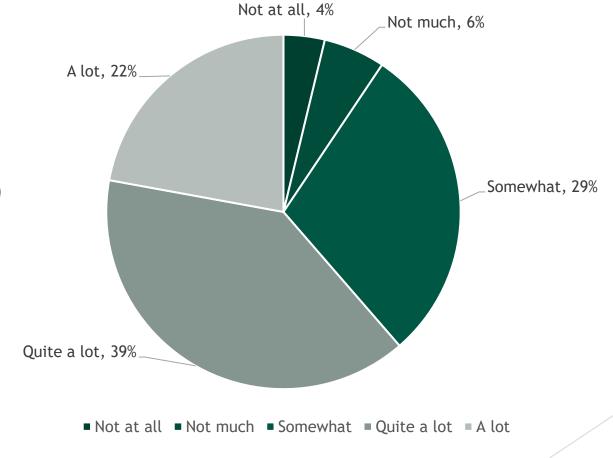
- The top 5 responses:
 - Other (40%)
 - **Cost** (34%)
 - Bad Program or Local Organization Management (19%)
 - Lack of Development
 Opportunities (17%)
 - Not Competitive (16%)



Have their 2020 experiences with soccer made them want to continue participating:



- Quite a lot (39%)
- **Somewhat** (29%)





Overall satisfaction

3.7★
average rating







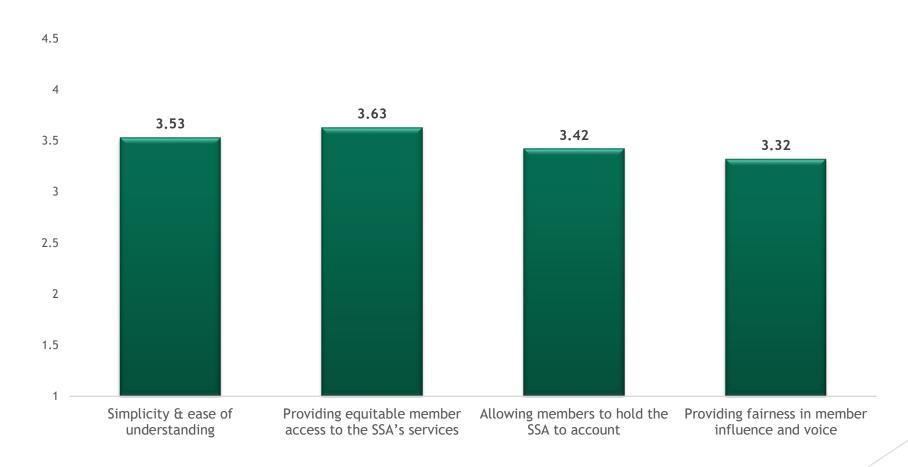
Who did we hear from?

Answer Choices	Responses
Battlefords Youth Soccer Association	1
Meadowlake Senior (Co-Ed) Soccer	1
Melville Soccer	1
Meridian Soccer	1
Moose Jaw Soccer Association	1
Nipawin Indoor Soccer League (Adult)	1
Nipawin Soccer (Outdoor Youth)	1
Prince Albert Youth Soccer Association	1
Futbol Club Regina	2
Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc.	1
Saskatoon Futsal League	1
Saskatoon Youth Soccer Inc.	3
Swift Current Soccer Association	2
TD Soccer	1
Valley Soccer Association (or Town affiliate)	2
Regina Soccer Referees Association	1

- 21 Individuals completed the survey from 16 Member Organizations
- **16** Member Organizations
- 52% major city, 33% 1-3 hours drive of a major city, 10% with a hours drive of a major city, and 5% more than 3-hour drive.
- SSA members for 42% +15 years, 26% don't know, 11% 1-3 years, 11% 4-6 years, 5% 7-10 years, and 5% 10-15 years.



Members indicated how effective SSA's structure is in the following areas:



- 19 Individuals Responded
- Rating System: 1 = totally ineffective, 5 = extremely agree
- Weighted Average



We asked Organizations about SSA's strategic plan.

Is your organization aware of SSA's current strategic plan (2017-2020)?

- Yes (76%)
- No (24%)
- 17 Individuals Responded

How well do you feel SSA has communicated its progress in strategic plan implementation to you this past year?

- Quite Well (45%)
- Okay (45%)
- Quite Poorly (9%)
- 11 Individuals Responded

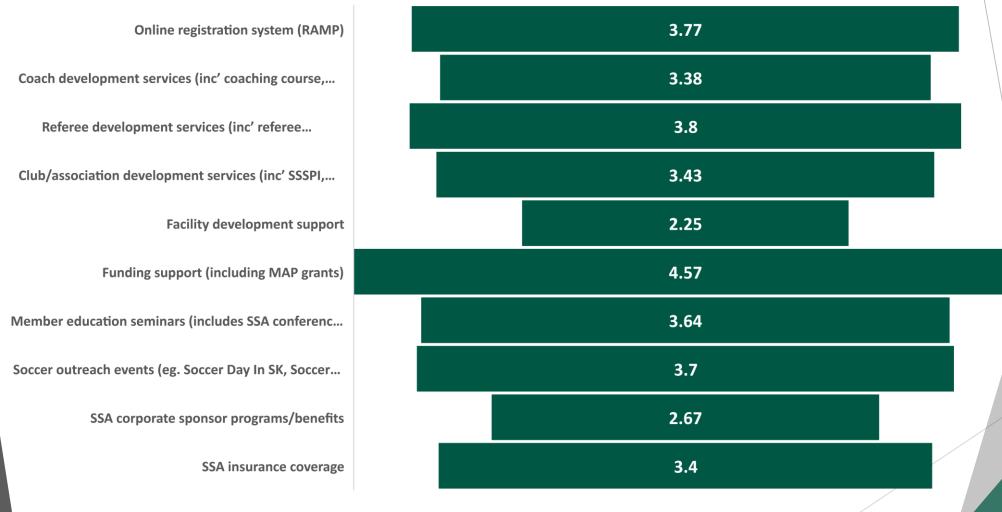
How well-focused do you feel SSA's current strategic plan is on your needs as a Member Organization?

- Quite Focused (36%)
- Neither Focused nor Unfocused (35%)
- Not Particularly Focused (9%)
- 11 Individuals Responded





How helpful are the follow member services to their organization?



- 14 Individuals Responded
- Rating System: 1 = Not at all helpful, 5 = Extremely helpful
- Weighted Average



We asked Organizations about SSA's member services.

In general, how relevant have the services offered to you by SSA been in helping you become a productive organization?

3.36 Average

In general, how effective has SSA been in delivering services to you, its organizational member?

3.57 Average

In general, how much would you say the SSA services you have used over the past year justify your membership with the SSA and offer value-formembership?

• 3.57 Average*



- 14 Individuals Responded
- Rating System: 5 = Extremely helpful
- *Rating System: 5 = extremely high value-for-membership



Overall member services satisfaction

6.9★
average rating





Are there additional member services they would like offered, if so, what?

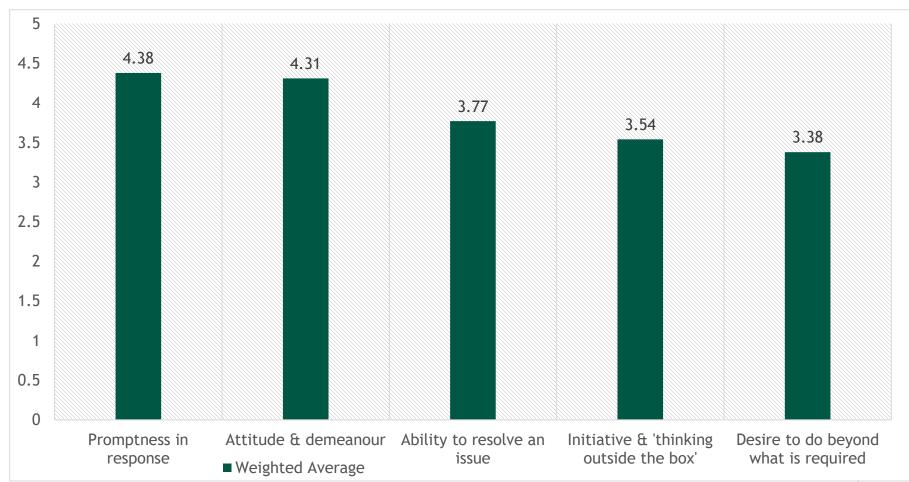
accessibility facility development board Stakeholders volunteers recruitment retain players

Responses:

- No 79%
- Yes 21%



We asked organizers to agree or disagree with the following statements.



- 13 Organizers completed the survey.
- Rating System: 5 = excellent
- Weighted Average



What did they believe is the best and worst thing SSA has done this past year in terms of helping organizations?

BEST	WORST
ONLINE LEARNING	FUTSAL SUPPORT
TOURNAMENT ASSISTANCE	
GRANTS	
COVID COMMUNICATION	
COVID SUPPORT	
MAP FUNDING	



Overall satisfaction

7.5★ average rating



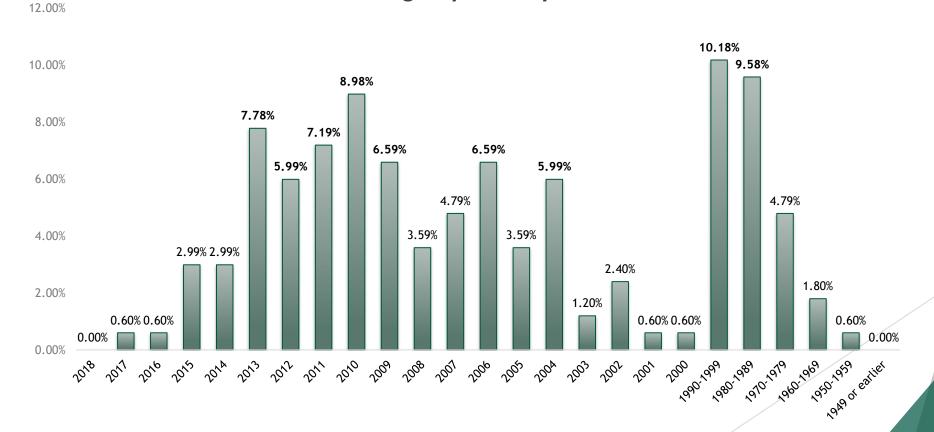


2020 Non-Returning Player Survey

Who did we hear from?

- 2767 Non-Returning and 167 (6%) completed the survey
- 64% Male and 38% Female
- 31% Player and 67% Parent
- 45% left during Spring/Summer season and 55% left Fall/Winter season

Non-Returning Player birth years





Players previous participation

Last Registered Organization			
Answer Choices	Responses		
Saskatoon Youth Soccer Association Inc. (or Zone affiliate)	36%	60	
Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc.	16%	27	
Regina Soccer Association (inc' FC Regina)	11%	19	
Prince Albert Youth Soccer Association	7%	12	
Moose Jaw Soccer Association	4%	7	
Swift Current Soccer Association	4%	7	
Lloydminster & District Soccer Association	3%	5	
Meridian Soccer	3%	5	
Queen City United Soccer	3%	5	
Valley Soccer Association (or Town affiliate)	3%	5	
Astra Academy	1%	2	
Battleford Youth Soccer Association	1%	2	
Kindersley Soccer Association	1%	2	
Meadowlake Senior (Co-Ed) Soccer	1%	2	
Tisdale Soccer	1%	2	
Eastend Soccer	1%	1	
Humboldt & District Soccer Association	1%	1	
Nipawin Soccer (Indoor)	1%	1	
Prince Albert Senior Soccer Association	1%	1	
Weyburn Soccer Association	1%	1	

Level of participation:

- 25% Recreational U8 or younger
- 20% Adult recreational (+U18)
- 14% U9-U12 recreational / House League
- 13% U9-U12 development / competitive
- **10%** U13-U18 rep / competitive
- 8% Adult competitive (+U18)
- 7% U13-U18 recreational / House League
- 4% U13-U18 high performance (provincial, REX/Whitecaps, national)



What are the players doing now?

Does the player still play soccer at all?

- No (75%)
- Yes, but not with an SSA organization (16%)
- Yes, not in Saskatchewan (8%)
- 167 Individuals Responded



Please detail where the player now plays soccer:

- Casually with friends (46%)
- Non affiliate (19%)
- Other (19%)
- At school, college, or University (15%)
- 141 Individuals Responded



Reasons why the player decided to stop playing soccer.

Player has finished high school and decided to stop soccer after moving away Player (or their parents) unhappy with the soccer 3.53 program (or the club/academy/association at large) Employment priorities or work commitments have taken priority School or academic commitments have taken priority Time commitment required is too high Player not enjoying soccer anymore 4.45 Player wanted to focus on unorganized physical activities Player wanted to focus on another sport 4.07 Financial reasons

- 121 Individuals Responded
- Rating System: 10 = Extremely Important
- Weighted Average



The primary reason why the player stopped playing <u>organized soccer.</u>

moved pregnant politics zones bullied conflict bullying league team fees travel referees excluded fear information commitment available

Top 4 Reasons:

- 52% Other (see word cloud)
- 16% Focus on another sport
- 13% not enjoying soccer
- 10% unhappy with soccer program



Which sport did the player chosen primarily to focus on instead of soccer?

Top 4 Responses

- Hockey (40%)
- Basketball(22%)
- Other (17%)
- Athletics (11%)
- 149 Individuals Responded





Top reasons why has the player chose this sport over soccer?

- **Enjoys** it more
- **Friends** play that sport
- They are "better" and have more opportunity
- More affordable
- 149 Individuals Responded



Is there anything that Saskatchewan Soccer or its soccer organization members could do that would make them to return to play organized soccer?

- **48%** No
- **30%** Maybe
- **21%** Yes
- 143 Individuals Responded

Main Comments		
Create house leagues	Less tryout dates	
Consistent soccer coaches	Better league communication	
Electronic player ID cards	No pandemic	
Train volunteer coaches	Listen to concerned parents	
Offer recreational soccer	Funding for soccer gear	
Lower league fees	Offer more parent and Under-3	
Structured schedule	Allow players to choose were to play	
Easier transition from youth to adult	Player safety	
Easier transition from mini to youth	Access to facilities	
Better referees	Competitive options in rural areas	





Thank you to our Membership!

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