

**2003 Survey of School Board Members
Illinois Association of School Boards
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Responses: 2008

Response Rate: 33 percent

Percentages are based on 2008 survey responses

ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT

In which geographic region (IASB Division) is your school district located?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------|--------|---------|
| Northeast | 508 | 25.3 % |
| North | 480 | 23.9 % |
| Central | 577 | 28.7 % |
| South | 412 | 20.5 % |
| Don't know. | 26 | 1.3 % |

Missing Cases = 5

What is the student enrollment of your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Fewer than 500 students | 498 | 24.8 % |
| 500 to 999 students | 470 | 23.4 % |
| 1,000 to 2,499 students | 596 | 29.7 % |
| 2,500 to 4,999 students | 257 | 12.8 % |
| 5,000 or more students | 179 | 8.9 % |

Missing Cases = 8

What type of community does your school district serve?

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Large city—more than 50,000 population | 90 | 4.5 % |
| Small city—less than 50,000 population | 336 | 16.7 % |
| Suburban—near large city | 506 | 25.2 % |
| Rural—small towns and countryside | 1059 | 52.7 % |

Missing Cases = 17

Number of schools on the State Board of Education's "early academic warning" or "academic watch" list.

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|
| None. | 1635 | 81.4 % |
| One school. | 205 | 10.2 % |
| Two schools. | 34 | 1.7 % |
| Three schools. | 37 | 1.8 % |
| More than three schools. | 73 | 3.6 % |

Missing Cases = 24

How do you think people in your community rate the quality of education in your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Better than average | 1352 | 67.3 % |
| Average | 599 | 29.8 % |
| Worse than average | 51 | 2.5 % |

Missing Cases = 6

How important are the newspapers, radio and television media in your area to the public's knowledge of your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very important. | 575 | 28.6 % |
| Somewhat important. | 1083 | 53.9 % |
| Not important. | 316 | 15.7 % |
| Don't know/no opinion. | 31 | 1.5% |

Missing Cases = 3

How do you rate the amount and quality of news coverage that your school district receives from newspapers, radio and television?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Thorough and accurate | 353 | 17.6 % |
| Extensive but not particularly accurate | 344 | 17.1 % |
| Accurate but not extensive | 894 | 44.5 % |
| Little or no coverage | 385 | 19.2 % |
| No opinion | 25 | 1.2 % |

Missing Cases = 7

BOARD MEMBER DEMOGRAPHICS

| What is your gender? | Number | Percent |
|----------------------|--------|---------|
| Female | 807 | 40.2 % |
| Male | 1192 | 59.4 % |

Missing Cases = 9

| What is your ethnic background? | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| African American | 54 | 2.7 % |
| Caucasian | 1869 | 93.1 % |
| Hispanic/Mexican/Puerto Rican/Cuban | 29 | 1.4 % |
| Native American | 29 | 1.4 % |
| Multi-racial or other | 15 | 0.7 % |

Missing Cases = 11

| What is your age? | Number | Percent |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| 18 to 29 years | 12 | 0.6 % |
| 30 to 39 years | 232 | 11.6 % |
| 40 to 49 years | 982 | 48.9 % |
| 50 to 59 years | 558 | 27.8 % |
| 60 years or over | 219 | 10.9 % |

Missing Cases = 5

| What is your highest level of education? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Advanced college degree | 518 | 25.8 % |
| Four-year college degree | 572 | 28.5 % |
| Some college or other post-secondary education/training | 676 | 33.7 % |
| High school graduate | 214 | 10.7 % |
| Grade school graduate | 21 | 1.0 % |

Missing Cases = 7

Please indicate whether you are employed, self-employed or otherwise occupied:

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Salaried professional or managerial | 796 | 39.6 % |
| Self-employed professional | 239 | 11.9 % |
| Farm operator | 191 | 9.5 % |
| Retired | 177 | 8.8 % |
| Clerical or Sales | 147 | 7.3 % |
| Homemaker | 143 | 7.1 % |
| Skilled trades | 140 | 7.0 % |
| Merchant or other business owner | 114 | 5.7 % |
| Laborer | 31 | 1.5 % |

Missing cases = 30

Are you or your spouse employed by a public school district, either part-time or full-time?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, self only | 142 | 7.1 % |
| Yes, spouse only | 250 | 12.5 % |
| Yes, self and spouse | 41 | 2.0 % |
| No | 1530 | 76.2 % |

Missing Cases = 45

What is your political preference?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Republican Party | 896 | 44.6 % |
| Democratic Party | 447 | 22.3 % |
| Independent Party | 64 | 3.2 % |
| Other Party | 25 | 1.2 % |
| No political preference | 551 | 27.4 % |

Missing Cases = 25

Are you or your spouse a member of a labor union?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, self and spouse | 82 | 4.1 % |
| Yes, self only | 222 | 11.1 % |
| Yes, spouse only | 221 | 11.0 % |
| No | 1448 | 72.1 % |

Missing Cases = 35

Do you (or your spouse) have any formal preparation or professional work experience in elementary or secondary education?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, both self and spouse | 136 | 6.8 % |
| Yes, self only | 311 | 15.5 % |
| Yes, spouse only | 244 | 12.2 % |
| No | 1297 | 64.6 % |

Missing Cases = 20

| What is your current marital status? | Number | Percent |
|--------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Never married | 19 | 0.9 % |
| Married | 1770 | 88.1 % |
| Divorced or separated | 86 | 4.3 % |
| Re-married | 87 | 4.3 % |
| Widow/widower | 38 | 1.9 % |

Missing Cases = 8

| How many children do you have, if any? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| No children. | 52 | 2.6 % |
| One child. | 142 | 7.1 % |
| Two children | 809 | 40.3 % |
| Three children | 619 | 30.8 % |
| Four or more children | 379 | 18.9 % |

Missing Cases = 7

| Do you have children currently enrolled in elementary or secondary schools? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes, in public schools. | 1252 | 62.4 % |
| Yes, in private schools. | 45 | 2.2 % |
| Yes, both public and private schools | 56 | 2.8 % |
| Children are home-schooled | 7 | 0.3 % |
| No children of school age. | 630 | 31.4 % |

Missing Cases = 16

| Have you ever home-schooled one or more of your children? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes | 26 | 1.3 % |
| No | 1953 | 97.3 % |

Missing Cases = 29

| What is your family's approximate annual income? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Less than \$30,000 | 61 | 3.0 % |
| \$30,000 to \$70,000 | 632 | 31.5 % |
| \$70,000 to \$110,000 | 716 | 35.7 % |
| \$110,000 to \$150,000 | 281 | 14.0 % |
| More than \$150,000 | 253 | 12.6 % |

Missing Cases = 65

INTERNET USAGE

| Do you have regular access to the World Wide Web on the Internet? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes, at work. | 175 | 8.7 % |
| Yes, at home. | 624 | 31.1 % |
| Yes, both at work and home. | 1105 | 55.0 % |
| No, but I plan to in the near future. | 37 | 1.8 % |
| No plans to access the Web. | 59 | 2.9 % |

Missing Cases = 8

| How often have you explored the IASB Website | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Frequently or regularly | 131 | 6.5 % |
| Occasionally | 642 | 32.0 % |
| Rarely or never | 953 | 47.5 % |
| Unaware of IASB website | 126 | 6.3 % |
| Do not use the Web | 121 | 6.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 35 | | |

| How useful have you found the IASB web site? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Not useful | 31 | 1.5 % |
| Some interesting material | 246 | 12.3 % |
| Useful material, but difficult to use. | 322 | 16.0 % |
| Very useful and easy to use | 397 | 19.8 % |
| Have not used the IASB Website. | 909 | 45.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 103 | | |

| Do you have an Internet E-mail address? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes, and I use it regularly | 1444 | 71.9 % |
| Yes, but do not use it regularly | 419 | 20.9 % |
| No | 126 | 6.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 19 | | |

| How often do you check for new email messages? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| More than once a day | 814 | 40.5 % |
| About once a day | 485 | 24.2 % |
| A few times each week | 296 | 14.7 % |
| Once a week or less | 243 | 12.1 % |
| Do not use Internet E-mail | 149 | 7.4 % |
| Missing Cases = 21 | | |

| Would you like to see IASB staff use Internet E-mail to deliver information to school board members? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Yes | 966 | 48.1 % |
| No | 419 | 20.9 % |
| Undecided | 508 | 25.3 % |
| Do not use Internet E-mail | 99 | 4.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 16 | | |

| At what location would you be able to freely exchange E-mail communications with IASB staff? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Both home and work. | 592 | 29.5 % |
| Home only. | 1053 | 52.4 % |
| Work only. | 116 | 5.8 % |
| Neither location. | 220 | 11.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 27 | | |

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICE

| How many years have you served as a school board member? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Less than two years | 375 | 18.7 % |
| Two to four years | 476 | 23.7 % |
| Four to six years | 304 | 15.1 % |
| Six to ten years | 430 | 21.4 % |
| More than ten years | 416 | 20.7 % |
| Missing Cases = 7 | | |

| Were you provided adequate orientation, training and other preparation for service on your school board? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Very thorough preparation | 708 | 35.3 % |
| Some preparation | 995 | 49.6 % |
| Little or no preparation | 288 | 14.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 17 | | |

| When does your current term on the school board expire? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| 2003 | 989 | 49.3 % |
| 2005 | 961 | 47.9 % |
| 2007 | 39 | 1.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 19 | | |

| If your term of office expires this year (2003), are you running for re-election? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes | 751 | 37.4 % |
| No | 293 | 14.6 % |
| Term does not expire this year. | 220 | 11.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 744 | | |

| What is your primary reason for not seeking re-election? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Need to spend more time with family and/or job. | 87 | 4.3 % |
| Community blames the school board for problems beyond our control. | 26 | 1.3 % |
| Excessive demands on schools and lack of funding | 66 | 3.3 % |
| Time to step aside | 140 | 7.0 % |
| Children graduated | 42 | 2.1 % |
| Missing Cases = 1647 | | |

| If your term of office expires in 2005 or 2007, do you anticipate running for at least one more term at that time? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Yes | 382 | 19.0 % |
| No | 292 | 14.5 % |
| Undecided. | 362 | 18.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 972 | | |

If you decide to retire from your board in 2005,
what will be your primary reason?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Need to spend more time with family and/or job. | 210 | 10.5 % |
| Community blames the school board for problems beyond our control. | 37 | 1.8 % |
| Excessive demands on schools and lack of funding | 179 | 8.9 % |
| Time to step aside | 358 | 17.8 % |
| Children will graduate | 71 | 3.5 % |

Missing Cases = 1153

Do you envision running for another public office
after completing your school board service?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 265 | 13.2 % |
| No | 1124 | 56.0 % |
| Undecided | 580 | 28.9 % |

Missing Cases = 39

What is the total amount of time you spend each
month on all board work?.

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------|--------|---------|
| Five hours or less | 272 | 13.5 % |
| Six to 10 hours | 789 | 39.3 % |
| 11 to 15 hours | 541 | 26.9 % |
| 16 to 20 hours | 235 | 11.7 % |
| more than 20 hours | 166 | 8.3 % |

Missing Cases = 5

How would you generally describe your
experiences as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very satisfying. | 941 | 46.9 % |
| Moderately satisfying. | 781 | 38.9 % |
| Not as satisfying as I had expected | 163 | 8.1 % |
| Downright disappointing. | 57 | 2.8 % |
| Undecided | 59 | 2.9 % |

Missing Cases = 7

What do you think is the one most important
reason voters elected you to serve on their school
board?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| I would support needed changes. | 258 | 12.8 % |
| I would help keep schools good. | 543 | 27.0 % |
| I would protect tax dollars. | 88 | 4.4 % |
| My experience and knowl dge. | 704 | 35.1 % |
| I was willing to serve. | 384 | 19.1 % |

Missing Cases = 31

| Which of the listed viewpoints most accurately describes your posture as a school board member. | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| I represent the interests of all citizens. | 344 | 17.1 % |
| I represent the interests of children | 766 | 38.1 % |
| I represent the constituents who elected me. | 41 | 2.0 % |
| I represent the best interests of public education. | 796 | 39.6 % |
| Undecided/None of the above. | 49 | 2.4 % |

Missing Cases = 12

| What was the one most important factor motivating you to run for your board? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Make a specific improvement | 395 | 19.7 % |
| Fulfill my civic responsibility. | 303 | 15.1 % |
| I disagreed with the previous board | 163 | 8.1 % |
| Help my children get a good education. | 341 | 17.0 % |
| I value public education. | 785 | 39.1 % |

Missing Cases = 21

| Have you been able to achieve the goals you had in mind when you first were elected to the school board? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Yes | 1279 | 63.7 % |
| No | 124 | 6.2 % |
| My goals have changed. | 59 | 2.9 % |
| Too early to tell. | 203 | 10.1 % |
| No goals when first elected. | 331 | 16.5 % |

Missing Cases = 12

| Which of the following priorities would you most like to accomplish before you retire from the school board? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Improve student achievement | 830 | 41.3 % |
| Improve the way the school board and superintendent operate. | 130 | 6.5 % |
| Engage the community more effectively in creating and pursuing a vision for the district. | 461 | 23.0 % |
| Improve district's financial condition | 322 | 16.0 % |
| Leave the schools in the same good condition as when I came on the board. | 245 | 12.2 % |

Missing Cases = 20

SOURCES OF DISAPPOINTMENT

| Has inadequate financial resources been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Yes | 1200 | 59.8 % |
| No | 675 | 33.6 % |
| Uncertain | 82 | 4.1 % |
| Total | 1957 | 97.5 % |

Missing Cases = 51

Has weak leadership of the board or administration been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 503 | 25.0 % |
| No | 1350 | 67.2 % |
| Uncertain | 94 | 4.7 % |

Missing Cases = 61

Has lack of community support been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 557 | 27.7 % |
| No | 1250 | 62.3 % |
| Uncertain | 137 | 6.8 % |

Missing Cases = 64

Has board disagreement regarding distinction between board and staff work been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 462 | 23.0 % |
| No | 1379 | 68.7 % |
| Uncertain | 103 | 5.1 % |

Missing Cases = 64

Has excessive interference from state laws been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 801 | 39.9 % |
| No | 890 | 44.3 % |
| Uncertain | 259 | 12.9 % |

Missing Cases = 58

Has lack of information needed to make wise decisions been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 319 | 15.9 % |
| No | 1516 | 75.5 % |
| Uncertain | 105 | 5.2 % |

Missing Cases = 68

Has partisan or personal politics been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 563 | 28.0 % |
| No | 1286 | 64.0 % |
| Uncertain | 95 | 4.7 % |

Missing Cases = 64

Has lack of board attention to setting directions, standards and assessment of results been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 599 | 29.8 % |
| No | 1225 | 61.0 % |
| Uncertain | 124 | 6.2 % |

Missing Cases = 60

Has lack community appreciation been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 626 | 31.2 % |
| No | 1176 | 58.6 % |
| Uncertain | 142 | 7.1 % |

Missing Cases = 64

Have student test scores been a source of serious disappointment to you as a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Yes | 612 | 30.5 % |
| No | 1218 | 60.7 % |
| Uncertain | 96 | 4.8 % |

Missing Cases = 72

PERCEPTIONS OF BOARD PERFORMANCE

My school board needs to make changes in the way it functions.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 186 | 9.3 % |
| Tend to Agree | 449 | 22.4 % |
| Uncertain | 144 | 7.2 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 772 | 38.4 % |
| Disagree Completely | 447 | 22.3 % |

Missing Cases = 10

My school board needs to communicate a more up-to-date vision for public education in our community?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 213 | 10.6 % |
| Tend to Agree | 562 | 28.0 % |
| Uncertain | 222 | 11.1 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 620 | 30.9 % |
| Disagree Completely | 379 | 18.9 % |

Missing Cases = 12

My school board needs a better way to evaluate the superintendent's performance.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 326 | 16.2 % |
| Tend to Agree | 513 | 25.5 % |
| Uncertain | 253 | 12.6 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 556 | 27.7 % |
| Disagree Completely | 351 | 17.5 % |

Missing Cases = 9

My school board should learn how to assert more effective leadership.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 244 | 12.2 % |
| Tend to Agree | 471 | 23.5 % |
| Uncertain | 222 | 11.1 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 730 | 36.4 % |
| Disagree Completely | 331 | 16.5 % |

Missing Cases = 10

My school board needs to function more effectively as a team.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 275 | 13.7 % |
| Tend to Agree | 391 | 19.5 % |
| Uncertain | 116 | 5.8 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 712 | 35.5 % |
| Disagree Completely | 504 | 25.1 % |

Missing Cases = 10

My school board should spend more time dealing with goals and expectations and less time with operational matters.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 266 | 13.2 % |
| Tend to Agree | 596 | 29.7 % |
| Uncertain | 251 | 12.5 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 622 | 31.0 % |
| Disagree Completely | 260 | 12.9 % |

Missing Cases = 13

My school board needs to be more effective in building community support for district goals.

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Agree Completely | 352 | 17.5 % |
| Tend to Agree | 809 | 40.3 % |
| Uncertain | 228 | 11.4 % |
| Tend to Disagree | 432 | 21.5 % |
| Disagree Completely | 177 | 8.8 % |

Missing Cases = 10

BOARD PROCESSES

How often does your school board talk about its own processes or performance for more than 20 minutes at a time?

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|
| At least once every month | 175 | 8.7 % |
| Once every two or three months | 366 | 18.2 % |
| About twice a year | 492 | 24.5 % |
| Once a year | 461 | 23.0 % |
| Never or almost never. | 498 | 24.8 % |

Missing Cases = 16

| Has your board discussed meeting procedures and rules? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 256 | 12.7 % |
| Touched on briefly | 1072 | 53.4 % |
| Not discussed | 537 | 26.7 % |

Missing Cases = 143

| Has your board discussed its role as contrasted to the role of the superintendent and staff? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 434 | 21.6 % |
| Touched on briefly | 1056 | 52.6 % |
| Not discussed | 423 | 21.1 % |

Missing Cases = 95

| Has your board discussed the orientation of new board members? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 324 | 16.1 % |
| Touched on briefly | 994 | 49.5 % |
| Not discussed | 580 | 28.9 % |

Missing Cases = 110

| Has your board discussed getting the public involved in district planning? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 623 | 31.0 % |
| Touched on briefly | 891 | 44.4 % |
| Not discussed | 398 | 19.8 % |

Missing Cases = 96

| Has your board discussed its decision making processes? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 444 | 22.1 % |
| Touched on briefly | 1003 | 50.0 % |
| Not discussed | 448 | 22.3 % |

Missing Cases = 113

| Has your board discussed its relationship with the community? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 585 | 29.1 % |
| Touched on briefly | 1017 | 50.6 % |
| Not discussed | 319 | 15.9 % |

Missing Cases = 87

| Has your board discussed its relationship with the staff? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 543 | 27.0 % |
| Touched on briefly | 1018 | 50.7 % |
| Not discussed | 364 | 18.1 % |

Missing Cases = 83

Has your board discussed community or board expectations expressed as district mission, vision or goals?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------|--------|---------|
| Discussed at length | 859 | 42.8 % |
| Touched on briefly | 773 | 38.5 % |
| Not discussed | 280 | 13.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 96 | | |

BOARD SERVICE AND TURNOVER

To reduce school board turnover, would it help to provide compensation or other tangible benefits?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, it probably would help | 481 | 24.0 % |
| No, it probably would not help | 661 | 32.9 % |
| It might make the situation worse. | 707 | 35.2 % |
| No opinion. | 147 | 7.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 12 | | |

To reduce school board turnover, would it help to require all school board members to obtain some formal orientation or training for the job?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, it probably would help | 956 | 47.6 % |
| No, it probably would not help | 625 | 31.1 % |
| It might make the situation worse. | 265 | 13.2 % |
| No opinion. | 152 | 7.6 % |
| Missing Cases = 10 | | |

To reduce school board turnover, would it help to switch terms of office to three years with annual elections?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, it probably would help | 160 | 8.0 % |
| No, it probably would not help | 882 | 43.9 % |
| It might make the situation worse. | 750 | 37.4 % |
| No opinion. | 204 | 10.2 % |
| Missing Cases = 12 | | |

To reduce school board turnover, would it help to remove operational issues from the board agenda and delegate them to the superintendent and staff?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, it probably would help | 228 | 11.4 % |
| No, it probably would not help | 1159 | 57.7 % |
| It might make the situation worse. | 366 | 18.2 % |
| No opinion. | 242 | 12.1 % |
| Missing Cases = 13 | | |

To reduce school board turnover, would it help to make the level of school funding more consistent with the high expectations of the state and/or local community?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Yes, it probably would help | 1496 | 74.5 % |
| No, it probably would not help | 274 | 13.6 % |
| It might make the situation worse. | 25 | 1.2 % |
| No opinion. | 191 | 9.5 % |

Missing Cases = 22

Which of the factors listed below is the most positive thing about being a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Being part of school and student activities. | 363 | 18.1 % |
| People appreciate what I do for the schools and community. | 148 | 7.4 % |
| Involvement in important public policy discussions and decisions. | 729 | 36.3 % |
| Seeing our students graduate and continue to grow. | 664 | 33.1 % |
| Relationships with board colleagues and/or staff | 89 | 4.4 % |

Missing Cases = 15

Which of the factors listed below is the most negative thing about being a school board member?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Loss of privacy | 104 | 5.2 % |
| The time away from family and other pursuits. | 398 | 19.8 % |
| Dealing with operational details. | 78 | 3.9 % |
| Pressure on my family | 106 | 5.3 % |
| State mandates and/or lack of funding. | 1293 | 64.4 % |

Missing Cases = 29

Which of the factors listed below is the one best thing that IASB could do to make school board service more satisfying?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Teach school boards | 395 | 19.7 % |
| Educate the public | 670 | 33.4 % |
| More authority for school boards | 538 | 26.8 % |
| Provide recognition | 86 | 4.3 % |
| None of the above. | 305 | 15.2 % |

Missing Cases = 14

If all school board members were required by law to participate in a minimum number of workshops or other training, how would you respond?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Support it and gladly participate. | 986 | 49.1 % |
| Oppose it but participate | 531 | 26.4 % |
| Would not run | 229 | 11.4 % |
| Undecided. | 243 | 12.1 % |

Missing Cases = 19

RATING THE SUPERINTENDENT

Rate your superintendent's performance in
curriculum and instructional matters.

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1739 | 86.6 % |
| Not satisfactory | 111 | 5.5 % |
| Undecided | 125 | 6.2 % |

Missing Cases = 33

Rate your superintendent's performance in
financial affairs.

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1749 | 87.1 % |
| Not satisfactory | 161 | 8.0 % |
| Undecided | 88 | 4.4 % |

Missing Cases = 10

Rate your superintendent's performance in
relations with the school board.

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1730 | 86.2 % |
| Not satisfactory | 177 | 8.8 % |
| Undecided | 90 | 4.5 % |

Missing Cases = 11

Rate your superintendent's performance in
relations with the community.

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1463 | 72.9 % |
| Not satisfactory | 343 | 17.1 % |
| Undecided | 190 | 9.5 % |

Missing Cases = 12

Rate your superintendent's performance in
relations with the staff

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1527 | 76.0 % |
| Not satisfactory | 298 | 14.8 % |
| Undecided | 171 | 8.5 % |

Missing Cases = 12

Rate your superintendent's performance in
providing leadership in creating support among the
staff and community for the district's mission.

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1418 | 70.6 % |
| Not satisfactory | 333 | 16.6 % |
| Undecided | 245 | 12.2 % |

Missing Cases = 12

| Rate your superintendent's performance in providing a proper role model in ethical values. | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1715 | 85.4 % |
| Not satisfactory | 159 | 7.9 % |
| Undecided | 120 | 6.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 14 | | |

RATE YOUR DISTRICT

| Rate your school district's wages and working conditions necessary to attract capable principals and teachers. | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1644 | 81.9 % |
| Not satisfactory | 304 | 15.1 % |
| Undecided | 49 | 2.4 % |
| Missing Cases = 11 | | |

| Rate the expectations and standards that administrators and teachers in your district have for themselves and for students. | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1584 | 78.9 % |
| Not satisfactory | 298 | 14.8 % |
| Undecided | 109 | 5.4 % |
| Missing Cases = 17 | | |

| Rate your district's community involvement in setting district policies and standards. | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 968 | 48.2 % |
| Not satisfactory | 734 | 36.6 % |
| Undecided | 293 | 14.6 % |
| Missing Cases = 13 | | |

| Rate your district's local effort (tax rate) to finance schools. | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Satisfactory | 1205 | 60.0 % |
| Not satisfactory | 624 | 31.1 % |
| Undecided | 159 | 7.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 20 | | |

POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS

| Which of the following actions would make the most significant improvement in your school district? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Raise standards for teachers and/or administrators. | 604 | 30.1 % |
| Increase technology investment | 192 | 9.6 % |
| Increase parent-teacher teamwork. | 748 | 37.3 % |
| Improve school board performance | 115 | 5.7 % |
| None of the above | 327 | 16.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 22 | | |

Which of the following changes in the school board would make the most significant improvement for your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Recruit better qualified members | 297 | 14.8 % |
| Re-orient the board to leadership. | 305 | 15.2 % |
| Better education for members. | 360 | 17.9 % |
| Increase community involvement | 652 | 32.5 % |
| None of the above | 375 | 18.7 % |

Missing Cases = 19

Which of the following is the biggest obstacle to good education in your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Social problems facing schools. | 506 | 25.2 % |
| Too many state regulations | 899 | 44.8 % |
| Community's low aspirations | 158 | 7.9 % |
| Inadequate leadership | 88 | 4.4 % |
| Unionized teachers. | 306 | 15.2 % |

Missing Cases = 51

Which is the bigger obstacle to good education, lack of funding or the obstacle you checked in Question 93 above?

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| The obstacle I checked above is bigger | 481 | 24.0 % |
| Lack of money is bigger | 1178 | 58.7 % |
| Undecided or equal in importance | 320 | 15.9 % |

Missing Cases = 29

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND AND THE FUTURE

How do you believe the federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) will affect your school district over the next few years?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very positive impact | 170 | 8.5 % |
| Modest impact | 470 | 23.4 % |
| Little or no impact | 217 | 10.8 % |
| Will cause harm to our district | 892 | 44.4 % |
| Don't know/No opinion | 244 | 12.2 % |

Missing Cases = 15

How do you feel about the future of education in your school district?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------|--------|---------|
| Very optimistic | 474 | 23.6 % |
| Somewhat optimistic | 1099 | 54.7 % |
| Somewhat pessimistic | 269 | 13.4 % |
| Very pessimistic | 102 | 5.1 % |
| Undecided | 50 | 2.5 % |

Missing Cases = 14

| How do you feel about the future of education generally in the state of Illinois? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Very optimistic | 58 | 2.9 % |
| Somewhat optimistic | 690 | 34.4 % |
| Somewhat pessimistic | 627 | 31.2 % |
| Very pessimistic | 562 | 28.0 % |
| Undecided | 58 | 2.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 13 | | |

FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES

| Are you familiar with the six "Foundational Principles of Effective School Governance" of IASB? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| No, I have not heard of them | 371 | 18.5 % |
| No, but I have heard of them | 561 | 27.9 % |
| Yes, I am generally familiar with them | 696 | 34.7 % |
| Yes, but I do not agree with them. | 19 | 0.9 % |
| Yes, and I try to abide by them | 340 | 16.9 % |
| Missing Cases = 21 | | |

| What was the source for most of your information about the IASB "Foundational Principles of Effective School Governance?" | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Read about them in Association publication | 771 | 38.4 % |
| A workshop or meeting | 620 | 30.9 % |
| Member of board or superintendent | 164 | 8.2 % |
| IASB web site | 47 | 2.3 % |
| Had not heard about principles | 372 | 18.5 % |
| Missing Cases = 34 | | |

WORKSHOPS AND BOARD TRAINING

| Have you attended one of the workshops that IASB offers for newly-elected school board members? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| No | 442 | 22.0 % |
| Yes, prior to 1999. | 872 | 43.4 % |
| Yes, between 1999 and 2002. | 627 | 31.2 % |
| Do not recall. | 49 | 2.4 % |
| Missing Cases = 18 | | |

| How do you feel about training for members of school boards? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| School board members need all the training they can get | 771 | 38.4 % |
| Training in the basics is essential for every school board member. | 681 | 33.9 % |
| Most board members need to get training to fill in gaps in their knowledge | 350 | 17.4 % |
| Training helpful but not essential. | 169 | 8.4 % |
| No particular training necessary | 20 | 1.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 17 | | |

Would you like to receive more or better information regarding the training programs that IASB makes available for school board members?

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| No, I already receive more information than I really want. | 230 | 11.5 % |
| No, I feel adequately informed | 1064 | 53.0 % |
| I wish the information were more thorough | 483 | 24.1 % |
| Yes. I don't receive much information | 183 | 9.1 % |
| I rarely hear about IASB training programs and prefer to keep it that way. | 25 | 1.2 % |

Missing Cases = 23

How many IASB workshops do you attend each year (on average)?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| Four or more per year. | 88 | 4.4 % |
| Two or three per year. | 554 | 27.6 % |
| One per year. | 791 | 39.4 % |
| None. | 544 | 27.1 % |

Missing Cases = 31

How do you most often find out about IASB conferences and workshops?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Announcements in the mail | 968 | 48.2 % |
| IASB web site | 9 | 0.4 % |
| My superintendent | 582 | 29.0 % |
| From a variety of sources | 354 | 17.6 % |
| Usually/often am not aware | 65 | 3.2 % |

Missing Cases = 30

What do you consider the single most positive feature about workshops offered by IASB?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Topics and content are relevant | 795 | 39.6 % |
| Speakers teach what I need | 142 | 7.1 % |
| Locations/times are convenient | 127 | 6.3 % |
| Cost is reasonable. | 90 | 4.5 % |
| Interact with other board members | 667 | 33.2 % |

Missing Cases = 187

What do you consider the single most negative feature about workshops offered by IASB?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Topics and content not relevant | 236 | 11.8 % |
| Speakers boring or ill-prepared. | 199 | 9.9 % |
| Locations/times not convenient | 975 | 48.6 % |
| Cost is too high. | 154 | 7.7 % |
| No time to interact with others | 221 | 11.0 % |

Missing Cases = 223

What is the single most important reason you do not attend IASB workshops.

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Inconvenient times or places. | 633 | 31.5 % |
| Often unaware of the workshops | 69 | 3.4 % |
| Topics do not seem relevant | 186 | 9.3 % |
| Too many other demands on time | 764 | 38.0 % |
| Most workshops are repetitive for veterans | 249 | 12.4 % |

Missing Cases = 107

Do IASB workshops and conferences provide adequate value in return for the time and money you invest?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Value good to excellent. | 689 | 34.3 % |
| Value is consistently fair to poor | 136 | 6.8 % |
| Value varies widely | 759 | 37.8 % |
| No opinion | 357 | 17.8 % |

Missing Cases = 67

How likely are you to attend a regional workshop requiring you to drive 100 miles or more plus an overnight stay?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very likely | 85 | 4.2 % |
| Somewhat likely | 360 | 17.9 % |
| Somewhat unlikely | 575 | 28.6 % |
| Very or definitely unlikely | 865 | 43.1 % |
| Undecided/Don't know | 92 | 4.6 % |

Missing Cases = 31

How likely are you to attend a workshop held in conjunction with the Joint Annual Conference in Chicago?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very likely | 962 | 47.9 % |
| Somewhat likely | 613 | 30.5 % |
| Somewhat unlikely | 145 | 7.2 % |
| Very or definitely unlikely | 199 | 9.9 % |
| Undecided/Don't know | 63 | 3.1 % |

Missing Cases = 26

How likely are you to attend a workshop delivered via the Internet that involves reading and communicating via e-mail?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very likely | 197 | 9.8 % |
| Somewhat likely | 822 | 40.9 % |
| Somewhat unlikely | 407 | 20.3 % |
| Very or definitely unlikely | 427 | 21.3 % |
| Undecided/Don't know | 128 | 6.4 % |

Missing Cases = 27

How likely are you to attend a workshop delivered in your district just for your school board, even though the cost is substantially greater?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very likely | 495 | 24.7 % |
| Somewhat likely | 817 | 40.7 % |
| Somewhat unlikely | 276 | 13.7 % |
| Very or definitely unlikely | 253 | 12.6 % |
| Undecided/Don't know | 137 | 6.8 % |

Missing Cases = 30

Is there anything that IASB could do that would entice you to attend more regional workshops?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Reduce the cost | 198 | 9.9 % |
| New workshops for veterans | 503 | 25.0 % |
| Shorten workshops | 164 | 8.2 % |
| All of the above. | 739 | 36.8 % |
| None of the above. | 354 | 17.6 % |

Missing Cases = 50

Is there anything else that IASB could do that would entice you to attend more regional workshops?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Offer activities for families | 155 | 7.7 % |
| Longer in-depth workshops | 168 | 8.4 % |
| Reduce driving distance | 598 | 29.8 % |
| All of the above | 365 | 18.2 % |
| None of the above. | 659 | 32.8 % |

Missing Cases = 63

DIVISION MEETINGS

What is the one most important reason that more school board members do not attend their Division Dinner Meetings of IASB?

| | Number | Percent |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Too many demands on their time | 1176 | 58.6 % |
| Program topics not relevant/useful | 157 | 7.8 % |
| Too little advance information | 85 | 4.2 % |
| No interest in keeping informed | 125 | 6.2 % |
| More of the same for veterans | 384 | 19.1 % |

Missing Cases = 81

What is the one most important benefit of attending the regional Division Dinner meetings of IASB?

| | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Talk with leaders from other districts | 797 | 39.7 % |
| At least one topic of value | 305 | 15.2 % |
| Board members can socialize | 93 | 4.6 % |
| A lot of useful information | 182 | 9.1 % |
| None of the above/uncertain. | 569 | 28.3 % |

Missing Cases = 62

IASB PUBLICATIONS

| How thoroughly do you read Illinois School Board Journal? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| All or most articles in every issue. | 452 | 22.5 % |
| Some articles in every issue. | 704 | 35.1 % |
| Some articles in most issues. | 641 | 31.9 % |
| Often nothing | 99 | 4.9 % |
| Never examine the Journal. | 71 | 3.5 % |
| Missing Cases = 41 | | |

If you do not read Illinois School Board Journal regularly, please tell us why.

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Do not recall seeing the Journal | 78 | 3.9 % |
| Would like to, but rarely have time | 374 | 18.6 % |
| Rarely offers anything of interest or value | 152 | 7.6 % |
| Prefer other publications. | 53 | 2.6 % |
| It simply does not appeal to me | 85 | 4.2 % |
| Missing Cases = 1266 | | |

How thoroughly do you read IASB School Board News Bulletin?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| All or most news in every issue. | 532 | 26.5 % |
| Some news in every issue. | 652 | 32.5 % |
| Some news in most issues. | 562 | 28.0 % |
| Often nothing | 98 | 4.9 % |
| Never examine the NewsBulletin | 100 | 5.0 % |
| Missing Cases = 64 | | |

If you do not read the IASB News Bulletin regularly, please tell us why.

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Do not recall seeing the NewsBulletin | 86 | 4.3 % |
| Would like to, but rarely have time | 336 | 16.7 % |
| Rarely offers anything of interest or value | 150 | 7.5 % |
| Prefer other publications. | 54 | 2.7 % |
| It simply does not appeal to me | 63 | 3.1 % |
| Missing Cases = 1319 | | |

How do you rate Illinois School Board Journal as a source of help to you?

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------|--------|---------|
| Excellent | 341 | 17.0 % |
| Good | 1055 | 52.5 % |
| Fair | 444 | 22.1 % |
| Weak | 58 | 2.9 % |
| Poor | 32 | 1.6 % |
| Missing Cases = 78 | | |

How do you rate the School Board NewsBulletin
as a source of help to you?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| Excellent | 279 | 13.9 % |
| Good | 1036 | 51.6 % |
| Fair | 477 | 23.8 % |
| Weak | 75 | 3.7 % |
| Poor | 36 | 1.8 % |

Missing Cases = 104

How useful do you find the IASB Annual Report
of Services

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Examine it but rarely use it | 544 | 27.1 % |
| Value and refer to this publication | 159 | 7.9 % |
| Keep it but rarely use it. | 470 | 23.4 % |
| It has not been useful to me. | 444 | 22.1 % |
| Do not recall seeing it | 339 | 16.9 % |

Missing Cases = 52

DELIVERY OF INFORMATION

How often do you use a computer to obtain
information?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Everyday | 975 | 48.6 % |
| Two or three times a week | 362 | 18.0 % |
| Once a week | 170 | 8.5 % |
| Less than once a week | 236 | 11.8 % |
| Never | 237 | 11.8 % |

Missing Cases = 28

Listed below are various ways that IASB might
deliver information to you. Please indicate the one
method that you most prefer.

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Printed information by mail. | 1175 | 58.5 % |
| Printed information by FAX. | 29 | 1.4 % |
| Information by internet email. | 624 | 31.1 % |
| Information on audio tapes. | 39 | 1.9 % |
| None of the above/Undecided. | 110 | 5.5 % |

Missing Cases = 31

CALLING ON IASB STAFF

About how often have you telephoned IASB staff
during the past 12 months for information or
assistance?

| | Number | Percent |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|
| Five or more times | 60 | 3.0 % |
| Two to four times | 147 | 7.3 % |
| Once | 181 | 9.0 % |
| Did not call IASB staff | 1551 | 77.2 % |

Missing Cases = 69

When you call the IASB office, how pleasant is the usual experience?

| | Number | Percent |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very pleasant and hassle-free | 196 | 9.8 % |
| Usually pleasant and hassle-free | 165 | 8.2 % |
| Sometimes pleasant | 28 | 1.4 % |
| Usually not pleasant | 91 | 4.5 % |
| Have not called in past year | 540 | 26.9 % |

Missing Cases = 988

About how often have you used Internet e-mail to contact IASB staff during the past 12 months for information or assistance?

| | Number | Percent |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|
| Five or more times | 33 | 1.6 % |
| Two to four times | 87 | 4.3 % |
| Once | 98 | 4.9 % |
| Did not email IASB staff | 1622 | 80.8 % |

Missing Cases = 168

When you send email to the IASB staff, how effective is the usual result?

| | Number | Percent |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Very effective | 150 | 7.5 % |
| Sometimes effective | 52 | 2.6 % |
| Rarely if ever effective | 24 | 1.2 % |
| Have not emailed IASB staff | 429 | 21.4 % |

Missing Cases = 1353

How cooperative and helpful did you find the IASB staff when you contacted them for information or assistance?

| | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Always cooperative and helpful. | 373 | 18.6 % |
| Usually cooperative and helpful. | 179 | 8.9 % |
| Somewhat cooperative and helpful. | 58 | 2.9 % |
| Rarely or never cooperative or helpful. | 34 | 1.7 % |
| Have not contacted staff | 1230 | 61.3 % |

Missing Cases = 134

If you have ever requested a return call or email from a member of the IASB staff, have you ever failed to receive the return call?

| | Number | Percent |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Return calls/emails always prompt | 282 | 14.0 % |
| Sometimes a lengthy delay | 52 | 2.6 % |
| One failure to return call or email | 42 | 2.1 % |
| Several failures to return call/email | 21 | 1.0 % |
| No return call/email requested | 1467 | 73.1 % |

Missing Cases = 144

| Other than a face-to-face meeting, how do you prefer to communicate with the IASB staff? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| U.S. Mail. | 252 | 12.5 % |
| FAX | 9 | 0.4 % |
| Internet e-mail. | 528 | 26.3 % |
| Telephone. | 500 | 24.9 % |
| No opinion. | 651 | 32.4 % |

Missing Cases = 68

| How do you rate the IASB staff in terms of their availability, knowledge and desire to help you? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Always knowledgeable and willing to help. | 468 | 23.3 % |
| Sometimes hard to find someone who can help | 47 | 2.3 % |
| Staff often seem to lack knowledge | 20 | 1.0 % |
| Staff often seem disinterested | 24 | 1.2 % |
| Don't know/No opinion. | 1366 | 68.0 % |

Missing Cases = 83

| How do you feel about the voice-mail system used at the IASB office? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| I like it. | 72 | 3.6 % |
| I can tolerate it. | 220 | 11.0 % |
| I despise it. | 58 | 2.9 % |
| Undecided | 101 | 5.0 % |
| Have not used it | 1483 | 73.9 % |

Missing Cases = 74

USING IASB SERVICES

| How easy or difficult is it to register for an IASB workshop or meeting? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Always easy and hassle-free. | 940 | 46.8 % |
| Sometimes a challenge. | 62 | 3.1 % |
| Frequently unpleasant. | 10 | 0.5 % |
| Don't know/No opinion | 789 | 39.3 % |

Missing Cases = 207

| If you can recall any direct assistance from a member of the IASB staff, please tell how you felt about the outcome of the activity. | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| No | 21 | 1.0 % |
| Yes, results met or exceeded expectations. | 801 | 39.9 % |
| Yes, but the outcome did not meet expectations. | 223 | 11.1 % |
| Yes, but event was unsatisfactory. | 50 | 2.5 % |
| Don't know/Don't recall | 841 | 41.9 % |

Missing Cases = 72

| Have you ever taken part in a Board Self-Evaluation with a member of the IASB staff? | Number | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|
| Yes | 829 | 41.3 % |
| No | 1006 | 50.1 % |
| Don't recall | 115 | 5.7 % |
| Missing Cases = 58 | | |

| What is the primary reason that your board has not used the IASB Board Self-Evaluation Service? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| The subject has not come up | 729 | 36.3 % |
| My board decided not to do it | 172 | 8.6 % |
| We cannot afford it | 78 | 3.9 % |
| Unable to schedule it yet | 82 | 4.1 % |
| Too busy with other matters | 75 | 3.7 % |
| Missing Cases = 872 | | |

| If your board engaged in a self-evaluation, how do you feel about the experience? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| Board benefited a great deal | 358 | 17.8 % |
| Useful insights but no specific improvements | 413 | 20.6 % |
| Mostly a waste of time | 98 | 4.9 % |
| Created some new problems | 106 | 5.3 % |
| Missing Cases = 1033 | | |

| Which of the following do you believe is the most accurate description of IASB? | Number | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|
| IASB encourages school boards to pursue high standards and helps them meet those standards | 286 | 14.2 % |
| IASB provides school districts with services they need | 375 | 18.7 % |
| IASB speaks for all school boards in communicating with the legislature, state agencies and general public. | 110 | 5.5 % |
| All of the above. | 876 | 43.6 % |
| None of the above. | 135 | 6.7 % |
| Missing Cases = 226 | | |