



# Shared Parenting Polling North Dakota November, 2024

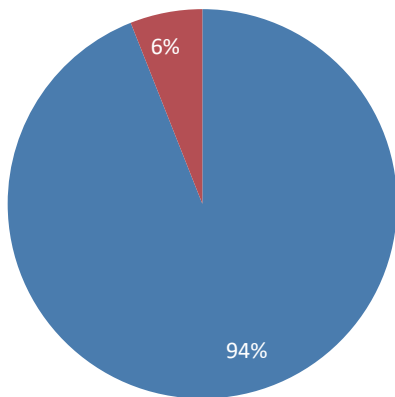
In October and November 2024, National Parents Organization commissioned an independent poll, conducted by Researchscape International, of the attitudes of those in North Dakota concerning shared parenting when parents live apart. Below are highlights of that poll. For details and a complete report, please contact NPO at [Parents@SharedParenting.org](mailto:Parents@SharedParenting.org).

In instances of divorce or separation:

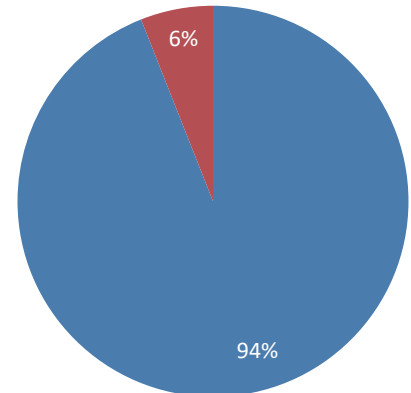
94% of those in North Dakota believe *"it is in the child's best interest ... to have as much time as possible with each parent;"*

94% of those in North Dakota expressed a commitment to vote their beliefs being *"more likely to vote for a candidate who supports children spending equal or nearly equal time with each parent ...when both parents are fit and willing to be parents."*

Best Interest of Children



Influence on Voting

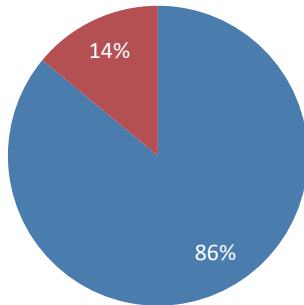


- It is in the child's best interest to have as much time as possible with each parent.
- It is in the child's best interest to spend as much time as possible with just one parent.

- More likely
- Less likely

86% of those in North Dakota believe that the state should promote shared parenting for all children with separated parents.

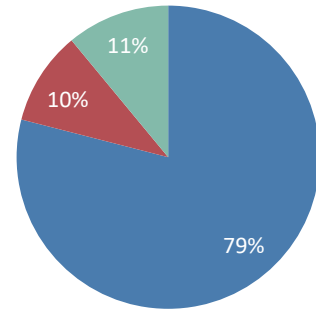
Promotion of Shared Parenting



■ Agree ■ Disagree

79% believe that when there is conflict between parents, awarding sole custody to one parent increases conflict.

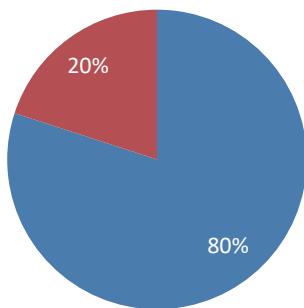
Parental Conflict and Sole Custody



■ Increases conflict ■ Decreases conflict  
■ Has no impact

80% support a change in North Dakota Law that creates a rebuttable presumption that shared parenting is in the best interest of a child after a parental separation.

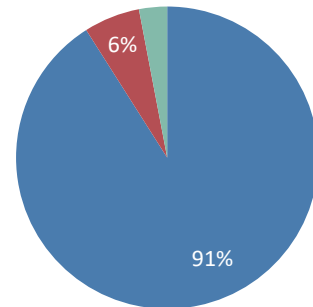
Rebuttable Presumption



■ Support ■ Oppose

91% believe that both parents should have equal rights and responsibilities following divorce or separation.

Rights and Responsibilities



■ Both parents should have equal parental rights and responsibilities.  
■ Mothers should have greater parental rights and responsibilities.  
■ Fathers should have greater parental rights and responsibilities.

Data based on a professional poll conducted by [Researchscape International](https://www.researchscape.com) from October 23 to November 3, 2024. The sample size of 530 respondents, representative of North Dakota adults with respect to race, gender, age, income, political alignment and more, provides an estimated credibility interval of plus or minus 6%. Details available from National Parents Organization at [parents@sharedparenting.org](mailto:parents@sharedparenting.org).