Appendix 1.

From the Kruskal-Wallis H Test and Dunn-Bonferroni post hoc test results, we find that significant opinion variances exist between business-affiliated stakeholders with other groups of interested publics.

This is first reflected in between business-affiliated participants' evaluation to the performance of the province's public institutions. When asked about the importance of municipal government (Figure 1) and satisfaction with the civil service (Figure 2), participants from the youth/student group give predominately positive assessments (89% and 56% positive ratings respectively) while business-affiliated participants give mostly negative assessments (15% and 7% positive ratings respectively). These business-affiliated participants also tend to be more satisfied with the police force (71%), compared with academic-affiliated participants (14%) (Figure 3).

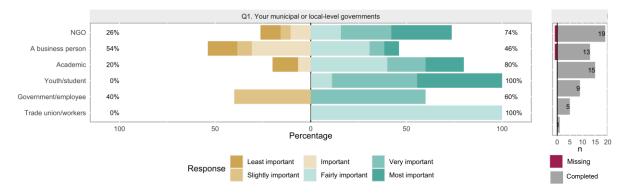


Fig. A1.1. Opinion variation across stakeholder groups regarding municipal and local-level governments in Newfoundland and Labrador.

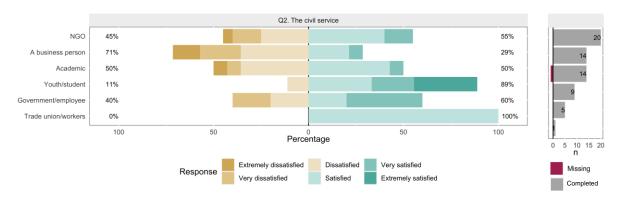


Fig. A1.2. Opinion variation across stakeholder groups regarding civil service in Newfoundland and Labrador.

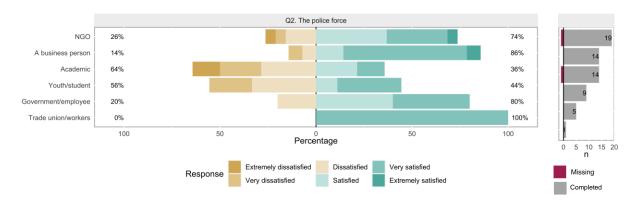


Fig. A1.3. Opinion variation across stakeholder groups regarding the police force in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Business-affiliated participants also show significantly different views about the importance of SDGs. Overall, their evaluations tend to be lower than other stakeholder groups. Figure 4 lists the distribution of business-affiliated participants' assessment of the importance of the 17 SDGs to the province. Particularly, business-affiliated participants tend to give much lower assessments to SDG10 reduce inequality within and among countries and SDG11 make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable (Figure 5). While the majority of youth, academic, government, NGO, and trade union participants highly value these two SGDs, a large group of business participants think these goals are only slightly important, or not important at all (57% and 36% respectively). The SDG that is most highly valued by business-affiliated participants addresses the economic dimension of sustainability (SDG8 promote sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all).

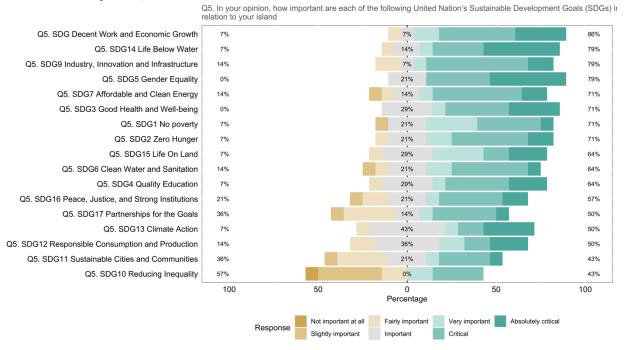


Fig. A1.4. Business-affiliated participants' evaluation to the importance of SDGs.

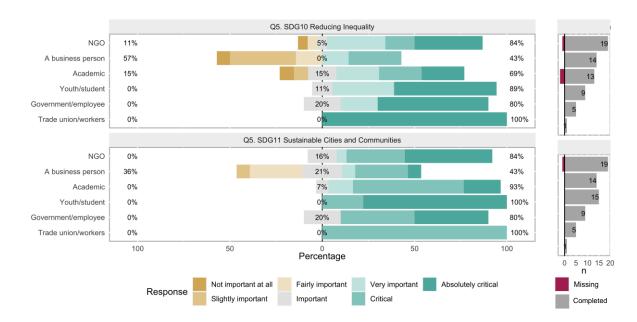


Fig. A1.5. Participants' evaluation to the importance of SDG10 and SDG11 by affiliation group.