

Commissioned Research
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Attitudes toward Abortion

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50C. In your opinion, at what point in human development should the law protect human life? Should it be...?

	TOTAL	REGION					SUB-REGION							COMMUNITY SIZE				ABOR.
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UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	254	498	603	451	221	273	215	98	126	125	200	1529	586	516	421	504	88
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	157	489	773	343	265	349	212	118	76	66	201	1538	679	507	400	441	84
From conception on	33	44	31	30	41	27	24	27	17	39	36	43	34	24	32	40	41	37
After three months of pregnancy	24	20	27	25	21	22	26	25	26	19	26	21	23	26	26	19	24	16
After six months of pregnancy	11	8	11	13	10	12	14	13	10	14	8	9	12	13	14	9	8	11
From the point of birth	28	23	28	28	23	35	31	32	43	22	20	24	27	34	24	27	23	31
DK/NA	4	5	3	4	5	4	4	3	5	5	10	2	4	4	3	4	4	4

	TOTAL	EMPLOYMENT					HOUSEHOLD INCOME				LANG. AT HOME			UNION MEMBER			KIDS < 18	
		Full Time	Part Time	Home makr	Unem ploy	Reti red	Less \$20K	20K- \$40K	40K- \$80K	\$80K More	Eng.	Fre.	Othr	Pri-vate	Pub-lic	Hs-hld	Yes	No
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	765	296	109	83	458	254	525	642	427	1442	503	75	88	271	589	637	1383
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	777	291	105	85	442	245	515	648	442	1455	483	83	89	254	572	647	1374
From conception on	33	28	33	53	31	37	36	38	32	24	33	33	30	29	27	30	34	32
After three months of pregnancy	24	28	23	16	27	21	20	23	26	25	23	27	24	26	29	28	27	23
After six months of pregnancy	11	13	11	7	14	7	12	8	10	18	11	11	14	13	12	12	12	11
From the point of birth	28	27	30	21	26	29	27	26	28	29	28	27	27	29	30	28	24	30
DK/NA	4	3	3	2	2	6	5	4	4	3	4	2	6	3	3	3	3	4

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	TOTAL	GENDER		AGE				IMMIGRANT		FED GOV'T SATISFACTION			FEDERAL VOTE				
		Male	Fe- male	18- 29	30- 44	45- 59	60+	Eu- rope	Othr	Sat is	Some dis	Very dis	Lib.	Con.	NDP	Bloc Que.	Unde cide
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	1005	1022	357	550	614	462	147	110	1149	499	308	684	481	347	180	223
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	973	1054	398	616	517	457	159	120	1133	511	314	680	482	359	179	209
From conception on	33	27	38	27	30	34	40	35	26	31	34	35	33	39	23	27	43
After three months of pregnancy	24	26	22	27	27	24	19	15	27	27	24	16	26	22	26	28	16
After six months of pregnancy	11	12	11	15	14	10	7	13	16	12	12	12	12	12	12	7	8
From the point of birth	28	30	25	28	26	30	28	31	28	27	26	31	24	24	35	35	25
DK/NA	4	4	3	2	4	3	6	6	3	3	4	6	4	3	3	3	8

51C. Some states in the U.S. have "informed consent" laws concerning abortion. These laws require that, before a woman has an abortion procedure, her physician must provide her with certain information such as details on the stages of fetal development including an ultrasound scan, the possible complications and side effects following an abortion, and alternatives to abortion. Do you support or oppose similar laws in Canada for women considering abortion?

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		Prov	Que.	Ont.	ries	B.C.												
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WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	157	489	773	343	265	349	212	118	76	66	201	1538	679	507	400	441	84
Yes, support	73	72	75	72	75	67	74	74	64	69	81	75	72	72	69	77	75	69
No, oppose	25	27	22	25	22	29	25	24	32	26	16	22	25	26	29	21	22	30
DK/NA	3	2	2	2	3	4	2	2	4	5	4	3	3	2	3	2	3	1

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		Full Time	Part Time	Home makr	Unem ploy	Reti red	Less \$20K	20K- \$40K	40K- \$80K	\$80K More	Eng.	Fre.	Othr	Pri-vate	Pub-lic	Hs-hld	Yes	No
		Time	Time	makr	ploy	red	\$20K	\$40K	\$80K	More	Eng.	Fre.	Othr	vate	lic	hld	Yes	No
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2027	765	296	109	83	458	254	525	642	427	1442	503	75	88	271	589	637	1383
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Yes, support	73	73	76	73	81	67	71	74	75	70	72	76	70	82	74	73	77	71
No, oppose	25	25	21	23	18	28	27	23	24	28	25	22	27	16	25	25	22	26
DK/NA	3	2	2	3	1	4	3	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	1	2	1	3

	TOTAL	GENDER		AGE				IMMIGRANT		FED GOV'T SATISFACTION			FEDERAL VOTE				
		Male	Fe-male	18-29	30-44	45-59	60+	Eu-rope	Othr	Sat is	Some dis	Very dis	Lib.	Con.	NDP	Bloc Que.	Unde cide
		Male	male	29	44	59	60+	rope	Othr	is	dis	dis	Lib.	Con.	NDP	Que.	cide
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Yes, support	73	72	73	80	73	71	67	71	71	72	74	73	74	75	67	75	71
No, oppose	25	25	24	18	25	27	29	24	27	26	22	26	24	22	31	24	24
DK/NA	3	3	3	2	2	2	4	5	2	2	4	2	2	3	2	1	5

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52C. At present in Canada it is legal for minors under the age of 18 to have an abortion without the consent of their parents. Do you support or oppose a law that requires minors under the age of 18 to have their parents' consent in order to have an abortion?

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Yes, support	55	59	51	56	61	51	52	50	46	61	63	60	57	50	53	60	61	54
No, oppose	42	39	47	41	35	46	45	48	51	38	32	35	40	47	44	37	36	43
DK/NA	3	2	2	3	4	2	3	2	3	1	5	5	3	3	2	3	3	3

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Yes, support	55	56	52	60	49	60	55	55	58	51	56	52	68	54	52	54	59	54
No, oppose	42	42	46	37	46	37	41	43	40	47	41	46	29	43	46	44	38	44
DK/NA	3	2	2	3	6	3	4	2	2	2	3	2	3	3	2	3	3	3

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No, oppose	42	41	43	53	40	39	38	37	31	42	42	43	42	32	54	50	40
DK/NA	3	3	3	1	3	3	3	5	4	2	3	3	3	2	3	1	5

53C. When it comes to the funding of abortions, which of the following three opinions is closest to your own?

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Paying for abortions should be a private responsibility, either out-of-pocket or using Blue Cross or other private Health care plans	18	22	26	14	19	12	11	27	11	23	19	18	16	16	17	21	19	22
Abortions should be financed using tax dollars but only in medical emergencies such as a threat to the mother's life or in cases of rape or incest	54	57	38	61	58	57	61	34	58	53	61	59	59	52	52	55	58	46
Abortions should always be paid using the tax-funded health care system	26	20	34	24	20	29	26	38	26	21	17	20	23	30	29	22	21	31
DK/NA	2	1	1	2	3	2	2	1	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1

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Abortions should always be paid using the tax-funded health care system	26	24	30	20	25	27	24	24	26	33	24	34	10	22	29	26	23	27
DK/NA	2	1	2	4	-	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	-	2	1	1	1	2

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Abortions should always be paid using the tax-funded health care system	26	25	27	23	24	31	25	31	23	27	27	23	28	16	32	41	21
DK/NA	2	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	4