

AmericasBarometer: Canada, 2017

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Thank you for participating in this survey, which is part of an international (29 country) study covering a broad range of topics. The Canadian survey is being conducted by the non-profit Environics Institute for Survey Research.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete. You must provide a response to all questions, but some offer a "decline to answer" option.

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More information about the study is provided at the end of the survey.

1. (LS3) [10/12/14] To begin, in general how satisfied are you with your life? Would you say that you are...?

- (1) Very satisfied (2) Somewhat satisfied (3) Somewhat dissatisfied
(4) Very dissatisfied

2. (SOCT1) [10/12] How would you describe the country's economic situation?

- (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad
(5) Very bad

3. (SOCT2) [10/12/14] Do you think that the country's current economic situation is better than, the same as or worse than it was 12 months ago?

- (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse

4. (IDIO1) [10/12] How would you describe your overall economic situation?

- (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad
(5) Very bad

5. (IDIO2) [10/12/14] Do you think that your economic situation is better than, the same as, or worse than it was 12 months ago?

- (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse

11. (IT1) [06/08/10/12/14] And speaking of the people from around where you live, would you say that people in your community are very trustworthy, somewhat trustworthy, not very trustworthy or untrustworthy...?

- (1) Very trustworthy (2) Somewhat trustworthy (3) Not very trustworthy (4) Untrustworthy

12. (L1) [12/14] Now, to change the subject...The following scale goes from left to right, where "1" means LEFT and "10" means RIGHT. Nowadays, when we speak of political leanings, we talk of those on the left and those on the right. In other words, some people sympathize more with the left and others with the right.

According to the meaning that the terms "left" and "right" have for you, and thinking of your own political leanings, where would you place yourself on this scale?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Decline to answer (888888)
Left									Right	

13. (WWW1) [14] Talking about other things, how often do you use the internet?

- (1) Daily
 (2) A few times a week
 (3) A few times a month
 (4) Rarely
 (5) Never

14. (GIO) [10/12/14] About how often do you pay attention to the news, whether on TV, the radio, newspapers or the internet?

- (1) Daily (2) A few times a week (3) A few times a month (4) Rarely (5) Never

15. (PROT3) [10/12/14] In the last 12 months, have you participated in a demonstration or protest march?

- (1) Yes (2) No

18. (VIC1EXT) 06/08/10/12/14] Now, changing the subject, have you been a victim of any type of crime in the past 12 months? That is, have you been a victim of robbery, burglary, assault, fraud, blackmail, extortion, violent threats or any other type of crime in the past 12 months?

- (1) Yes **[Continue]** (2) No **[Skip to INFRAX]**
 (888888) Decline to answer **[Skip to INFRAX]**

19. (VIC1EXTA) [10/12/14] How many times have you been a crime victim during the last 12 months?

- _____ [fill in number] (888888) Decline to answer (999999) N/A

23. (INFRA3) [14] Suppose someone enters your home to burglarize it and you call the police. How long do you think it would take the police to arrive at your house on a typical day around noon?

- (1) Less than 10 minutes
- (2) Between 10 and 30 minutes
- (3) More than 30 minutes and up to an hour
- (4) More than an hour and up to three hours
- (5) More than three hours
- (6) There are no police/they would never arrive

24. (INFRA3) [NEW] Suppose now that you are in your house and you experience a very serious injury and need immediate medical attention. How long do you think it would take you, by the fastest means, to get to the nearest medical centre or hospital?

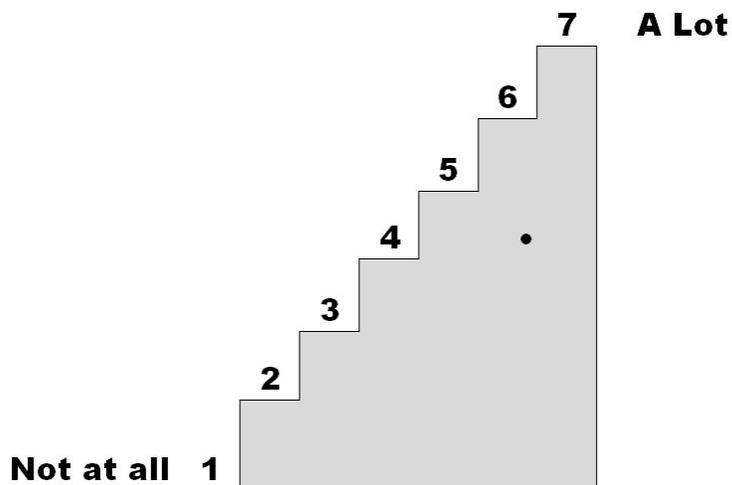
- (1) Less than 10 minutes
- (2) Between 10 and 30 minutes
- (3) More than 30 minutes and up to an hour
- (4) More than an hour and up to three hours
- (5) More than three hours
- (6) I wouldn't go to

25. (AOJ11) [06/08/10/12/14] Speaking of the neighborhood where you live (and thinking of the possibility of being assaulted or robbed), do you feel very safe, somewhat safe, somewhat unsafe or very unsafe?

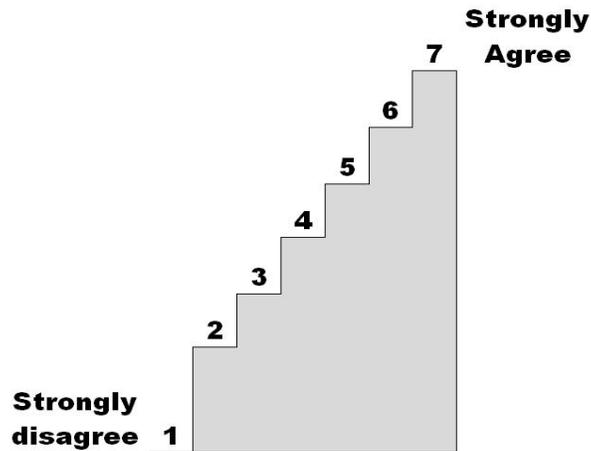
- (1) Very safe
- (2) Somewhat safe
- (3) Somewhat unsafe
- (4) Very unsafe

29. (AOJ12) [10/12/14] If you were a victim of a robbery or assault how much faith do you have that the judicial system would punish the guilty?

- (1) A lot
- (2) Some
- (3) Little
- (4) None



30. Here is a staircase with steps numbered 1 to 7, where “1” is the lowest step and means NOT AT ALL and “7” the highest and means A LOT.	
a. (B1) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you think <u>the courts in Canada guarantee a fair trial</u> ?	Coded 1-7
b. (B2) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you respect <u>the political institutions of Canada</u> ?	Coded 1-7
c. (B3) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you think that <u>citizens’ basic rights are well protected by the political system of Canada</u> ?	Coded 1-7
e. (B4) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>feel proud of living under the political system of Canada</u> ?	Coded 1-7
f. (B6) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you think that <u>one should support the political system of Canada</u> ?	Coded 1-7
g. (B10A) [06/08/10/12] To what extent do you <u>trust the justice system</u> ?	Coded 1-7
h. (B12) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>trust the Canadian Armed Forces</u> ?	Coded 1-7
i. (B13) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>trust the Parliament</u> ?	Coded 1-7
j. (B18) [10/12] To what extent do you <u>trust the RCMP</u> ?	Coded 1-7
k. (B21) [06/08/10/12] To what extent do you <u>trust political parties</u> ?	Coded 1-7
l. (B21A) [10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>trust the Prime Minister</u> ?	Coded 1-7
m. (B31) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>trust the Supreme Court</u> ?	Coded 1-7
n. (B32) [10/12] To what extent do you <u>trust your municipal government</u> ?	Coded 1-7
o. (B43) [06/08/10/12/14] To what extent are you <u>proud of being a Canadian</u> ?	Coded 1-7
p. (B37) [10/12/14] To what extent do you <u>trust the mass media</u> ?	Coded 1-7
q. (B47A) [14] To what extent do you <u>trust elections in this country</u> ?	Coded 1-7



<p>32. Now we will use a similar staircase, but this time “1” means STRONGLY DISAGREE and “7” means STRONGLY AGREE. A number in between 1 and 7 represents an intermediate score.</p> <p>Taking into account the current situation of this country, and using the staircase, we would like you to tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.</p>	
<p>a. (POP101) [10/12/14] It is necessary for the progress of this country that our prime ministers limit the voice and vote of opposition parties.</p>	<p>Coded 1-7</p>
<p>b. (POP107) [08/10/12/14] The people should govern directly <u>rather than</u> through elected representatives.</p>	<p>Coded 1-7</p>
<p>c. (POP113) [08/10/12/14] Those who disagree with the majority represent a threat to the country.</p>	<p>Coded 1-7</p>

<p>33. (M1) [10/12/14] Speaking in general of the current government, how would you rate the job performance of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau?</p> <p>(1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad (5) Very bad</p>	
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34. Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements

d. (ING4) [06/08/10/12/14] Democracy may have problems, but it is better than any other form of government.	Coded 1-7
e. (CANAB2008) [08/12/14] Despite our differences, we Canadians have many things that unite us as a country.	Coded 1-7
f. (EFF1) [10/12/14] Those who govern this country are interested in what people like you think.	Coded 1-7
g. (EFF2) [10/12/14] You feel that you understand the most important political issues of this country.	Coded 1-7
c. (ROS4) [08/10/12/14] The Canadian government should implement <u>strong policies</u> to reduce income inequality between the rich and the poor.	Coded 1-7
h. (AOJ22NEW) [NEW] To reduce crime in a country like ours, punishment of criminals must be increased.	Coded 1-7

And changing to another topic . . .

[Continue using the same staircase 1 Strongly disagree – 7 Strongly agree]	
35a. (MEDIA3) [NEW] To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? Information reported by the Canadian news media is an accurate representation of the different viewpoints that exist in Canada.	Coded 1-7
35b. (MEDIA4) [NEW] The Canadian news media are controlled by a few big corporations.	Coded 1-7

36. (PN4) [06/08/10/1/142] And now, changing the subject, in general, would you say that you are very satisfied, satisfied, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the way democracy works in Canada? (1) Very satisfied (2) Satisfied (3) Dissatisfied (4) Very dissatisfied	
37. (DEM2) [06/10/12/14] Which of the following statements do you agree with the most: (1) For people like me it doesn't matter whether a government is democratic or non-democratic (2) Democracy is preferable to any other form of government (3) Under some circumstances an authoritarian government may be preferable to a democratic one.	

[Order of 41 and 40 is switched

For Q.41 – label the crime option JC10, corruption option JC13]

41. (JC10/JC13) [NEW] Some people say that under some circumstances it would be justified for the military of this country to take power by a coup d'état (military coup).

In your opinion would a military coup be justified when there is a lot of [corruption/crime]?

[NOTE TO PROGRAMMER – SPLIT SAMPLE: RANDOMLY SELECT EITHER "CORRUPTION" OR "CRIME"]

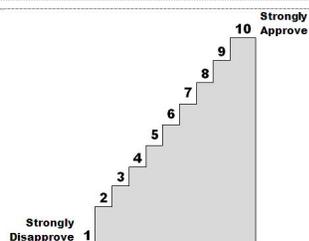
(1) Yes, it is justified

(2) No, it is not justified

40. (JC15A) [10/12/14] Do you believe that when the country is facing very difficult times it is justifiable for the Prime Minister to close the Parliament, and govern without Parliament?

(1) Yes, it is justified

(2) No, it is not justified



43. The following questions are to find out about the different ideas of the people who live in Canada. Please continue using the 10 point staircase, with "1" meaning STRONGLY DISAPPROVE, and "10" meaning "STRONGLY APPROVE."

a. (D1) [06/08/10/12/14] There are people who only say bad things about the Canadian form of government, not just the incumbent government but the system of government. How strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people's right to vote?

**Coded
1-10**

b. (D2) [06/08/10/12/14] How strongly do you approve or disapprove that such people be allowed to conduct peaceful demonstrations in order to express their views?

**Coded
1-10**

c. (D3) [06/08/10/12/14] Still thinking of those who only say bad things about the Canadian form of government, how strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people being permitted to run for public office?

**Coded
1-10**

d. (D4) [06/08/10/12/14] How strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people appearing on television to make speeches?

**Coded
1-10**

e. (D5) [06/08/10/12/14] And now on a different topic, thinking about homosexuals, how strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people being permitted to run for public office?

**Coded
1-10**

f. (D6) [12/14] How strongly do you approve or disapprove of same-sex couples having the right to marry?

**Coded
1-10**

	Very little	Enough	Too much	Decline to Answer
44. (LIB1) [NEW] Do you believe that nowadays in this country we have very little, enough or too much freedom of press?	1	2	3	888888
45. (LIB2B) [NEW] And freedom of expression. Do we have very little, enough or too much?	1	2	3	888888
46. (LIB2C) [NEW] And freedom to express political views without fear. Do we have very little, enough or too much?	1	2	3	888888
47. (LIB4) [NEW] And human rights protection. Do we have very little, enough or too much?	1	2	3	888888

And now on another topic.

	No	Yes	Decline to answer
52. (EXC18) [NEW] Do you think given the way things are, sometimes paying a bribe is justified?	0	1	888888

53. (EXC7NEW) [NEW] Thinking of the politicians of Canada... how many of them do you believe are involved in corruption? (1) None (2) Less than half of them (3) Half of them (4) More than half of them (5) All of them
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54. (POL1) [10/12] How much interest do you have in politics: a lot, some, little, or none? (1) A lot (2) Some (3) Little (4) None

And now a few questions about yourself for classification purposes. .

61. (Q3C) [12/14] What is your religion, if any?

- (1) Catholic
- (4114) Greek Orthodox/Eastern Orthodox
- (2) Protestant, Mainline Protestant or Protestant non-Evangelical (Anglican; Calvinist; Lutheran; Methodist; Presbyterian; Episcopalian)
- (5) Evangelical and Pentecostal (Evangelical; Pentecostals; Church of God; Assemblies of God; Universal Church of the Kingdom of God; Gospel; Christ Pentecostal Church; Christian Congregation; Mennonite; Brethren; Christian Reformed Church; Charismatic non-Catholic)
- (6) Church of Latter Day Saints (LDS) (Mormon)
- (12) Jehovah's Witness.
- (4113) Muslim
- (10) Jewish (Orthodox; Conservative; Reform, Reconstructionist, Renewal)
- (3) Other Non-Christian Eastern Religions (Buddhist; Hinduism; Taoist; Confucianism; Baha'i)
- (7) Traditional or Aboriginal Religions
- (4) None (Believe in a Supreme Entity but do not belong to any religion) **[SKIP TO Q.63]**
- (11) Agnostic, atheist (Do not believe in God). **[SKIP TO Q.63]**
- (15) Other

- (888888) Decline to answer

62. (Q5A) [NEW] How often do you attend religious services?

- (1) More than once per week
- (2) Once per week
- (3) Once a month
- (4) Once or twice a year
- (5) Never or almost never

63. (Q5B) [12/14] How important is religion in your life?

- (1) Very important
- (2) Rather important
- (3) Not very important
- (4) Not at all important

63. (Q10NEW) [12/14] Which of the following best describes the total annual income before taxes of all members in your household for 2016?

- (01) Less than \$10,000
- (02) \$10,000 to \$19,999
- (03) \$20,000 to \$29,999
- (04) \$30,000 to \$39,999
- (05) \$40,000 to \$49,999
- (06) \$50,000 to \$59,999
- (07) \$60,000 to \$69,999
- (08) \$70,000 to \$79,999
- (09) \$80,000 to \$99,999
- (10) \$100,000 to \$119,999
- (11) \$120,000 to \$139,999
- (12) \$140,000 to \$159,999
- (13) \$160,000 to \$189,999
- (14) \$190,000 to \$219,999
- (15) \$220,000 to \$249,999
- (16) More than \$249,999

(888888) Decline to answer

64. (Q10D) [10/12/14] The salary that you receive and total household income:

- (1) Is good enough for you and you can save from it
- (2) Is just enough for you, so that you do not have major problems
- (3) Is not enough for you and you are stretched
- (4) Is not enough for you and you are having a hard time

(888888) Decline to answer

XX. (PR1) [NEW] Is the home in which you reside...

- (1) Rented
- (2) Owned
- (3) Borrowed or shared
- (4) Another situation

(888888) Decline to answer

66. (Q11N) [10/12/14] What is your marital status?

- (1) Single
- (2) Married
- (3) Common law/Domestic partnership (living with an unmarried partner)
- (4) Divorced
- (5) Separated
- (6) Widowed

(888888) Decline to answer

67. (Q12C) [10/12/14] How many people in total live in your household at this time?

(888888) Decline to answer

XX. (Q12) [10/12/14]. How many children, if any, do you have?

__ __ [Continue]

(000000 = none) [Skip to CANETID]

(888888) Decline to answer

XX. (12M/F) [NEW] How many sons and how many daughters do you have?

Q12M. [Number of sons] _____

Q12F. [Number of daughters] _____

(888888) Decline to answer

69. (CANETID) [10/12/14] In addition to being Canadian, what is your primary ethnic or cultural background? *(If more than one, please indicate your primary background)*

- (1) English/Scottish/Irish Welsh
- (2) French/Quebecois
- (3) Italian
- (4) Portuguese
- (5) Other European (Russian, German, Dutch, Scandinavian, Polish, Spanish, Hungarian)
- (6) Aboriginal (First Nations, Metis, Inuit)
- (7) African
- (8) Greek
- (9) Jewish
- (10) West Indian (Caribbean, Jamaican, Guyanese)
- (11) South Asian (East Indian, Sri Lankan, Pakistan)
- (12) Southeast Asian (Vietnamese, Cambodian, Malaysian, Filipino)
- (13) Chinese
- (14) Other East Asian (Japanese, Korean)
- (15) West Asian/Middle Eastern/Arab
- (16) American
- (17) Canadian
- (18) Latin American (Mexican, Central/South American)
- (20) Acadian
- (21) Mixed Race
- (97) Other (SPECIFY _____)

(888888) Decline to answer

70. (CANNC4) [10/12/14] Were you born in Canada?

(1) Yes (2) No (888888) Decline to answer

73. (Q2Y) [10/12/14] In what year were you born? _____

(888888) Decline to answer

74. (Q1) [10/12/14] Please indicate your gender.

(1) Male (2) Female (3) Other (888888) Decline to answer

75. (EDCAN) [06/08/12/14] What is the highest level of education that you have reached?

- (01) Some elementary
- (02) Completed elementary
- (03) Some high school
- (04) Completed high school
- (05) Community college/ vocational/ trade school/ commercial/ CEGEP
- (06) Some university
- (07) Completed university
- (08) Post-graduate university/professional school

(888888) Decline to answer

76. (PROV) [10/12/14] In which province do you currently live?

- (01) Alberta
- (02) British Columbia
- (03) Manitoba
- (04) New Brunswick
- (05) Newfoundland
- (06) Nova Scotia
- (07) Ontario
- (08) Prince Edward Island
- (09) Quebec
- (10) Saskatchewan

77. (CANPOS) [10/12/14] Please indicate your postal code: *(Do not include any spaces)*

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(888888) Decline to answer

This completes the survey. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

This survey is part of an international study called the “AmericasBarometer” and is being conducted in 29 countries across the Western Hemisphere. The results for the Canadian survey (and international comparisons) will be published by the Environics Institute for Survey Research and the Institute on Governance later this year.

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