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	GENDER			AGE			REGION						VOTE IN 2019 FEDERAL ELECTION			ETHNICITY		
	Canada	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	European	East Asian	South Asian
Contraception																		
Morally acceptable	76%	73%	78%	62%	75%	89%	74%	76%	75%	71%	80%	83%	81%	78%	83%	85%	61%	73%
Morally wrong	9%	11%	7%	14%	9%	4%	9%	11%	10%	11%	8%	2%	7%	8%	6%	5%	12%	14%
Not sure	15%	16%	15%	24%	16%	7%	17%	13%	15%	18%	12%	15%	12%	15%	11%	10%	27%	13%
Divorce																		
Morally acceptable	77%	74%	80%	72%	72%	87%	81%	77%	71%	78%	76%	81%	82%	74%	89%	83%	71%	77%
Morally wrong	11%	14%	8%	15%	12%	6%	5%	10%	16%	12%	15%	3%	9%	15%	8%	7%	14%	19%
Not sure	12%	11%	12%	13%	16%	7%	14%	13%	13%	10%	9%	16%	8%	11%	4%	9%	15%	4%
Sexual relations between an unmarried man and woman																		
Morally acceptable	72%	70%	73%	65%	69%	80%	74%	69%	67%	68%	77%	75%	77%	70%	77%	78%	58%	57%
Morally wrong	17%	19%	14%	19%	18%	13%	12%	20%	25%	18%	14%	12%	14%	20%	18%	14%	24%	26%
Not sure	12%	11%	13%	16%	13%	6%	14%	11%	8%	14%	9%	13%	9%	10%	5%	8%	18%	17%
Having a baby outside of marriage																		
Morally acceptable	69%	65%	73%	60%	69%	79%	68%	68%	64%	67%	71%	81%	75%	67%	77%	78%	61%	40%
Morally wrong	18%	21%	14%	23%	17%	13%	18%	23%	17%	19%	18%	8%	15%	20%	17%	13%	21%	34%
Not sure	13%	13%	13%	17%	14%	8%	14%	9%	20%	14%	11%	11%	10%	13%	6%	9%	18%	25%
Medical research using stem cells obtained from human embryos																		
Morally acceptable	55%	57%	53%	52%	51%	60%	60%	49%	52%	54%	55%	53%	63%	51%	62%	59%	55%	42%
Morally wrong	21%	25%	17%	22%	19%	21%	18%	25%	23%	20%	24%	14%	18%	25%	18%	18%	20%	35%
Not sure	25%	19%	30%	26%	30%	19%	22%	27%	25%	26%	20%	34%	20%	24%	20%	23%	25%	23%
Physician-assisted death																		
Morally acceptable	65%	64%	66%	56%	65%	74%	66%	68%	63%	61%	72%	63%	74%	65%	72%	72%	61%	53%
Morally wrong	17%	19%	16%	21%	14%	16%	12%	17%	24%	21%	15%	12%	13%	22%	11%	14%	17%	34%
Not sure	18%	17%	18%	23%	21%	10%	22%	15%	13%	18%	13%	25%	13%	12%	17%	14%	22%	13%
Abortion																		
Morally acceptable	57%	55%	59%	57%	55%	59%	58%	53%	53%	54%	66%	53%	62%	50%	71%	63%	51%	47%
Morally wrong	25%	28%	23%	24%	23%	28%	21%	27%	32%	28%	20%	26%	21%	35%	20%	22%	24%	43%
Not sure	18%	16%	19%	18%	22%	13%	21%	20%	15%	18%	14%	20%	17%	15%	9%	15%	26%	10%

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<i>Gambling</i>																		
Morally acceptable	57%	59%	54%	47%	59%	64%	62%	60%	59%	57%	50%	56%	59%	59%	71%	63%	64%	38%
Morally wrong	24%	25%	23%	28%	20%	24%	21%	20%	26%	23%	29%	23%	24%	25%	13%	21%	20%	43%
Not sure	19%	16%	22%	25%	22%	13%	17%	20%	15%	20%	21%	21%	17%	15%	16%	16%	15%	19%
<i>Sexual relations between two people of the same sex</i>																		
Morally acceptable	62%	56%	68%	60%	61%	65%	62%	59%	52%	63%	66%	66%	70%	54%	76%	68%	54%	47%
Morally wrong	24%	30%	19%	26%	20%	26%	24%	26%	32%	25%	20%	22%	19%	34%	16%	20%	31%	39%
Not sure	14%	14%	13%	14%	18%	9%	14%	15%	16%	12%	14%	13%	12%	12%	9%	11%	15%	14%
<i>Buying and wearing clothing made of animal fur</i>																		
Morally acceptable	38%	46%	30%	33%	35%	45%	27%	33%	50%	34%	41%	49%	40%	41%	32%	40%	32%	34%
Morally wrong	43%	37%	48%	44%	44%	41%	51%	46%	28%	44%	44%	35%	45%	41%	49%	42%	40%	55%
Not sure	20%	17%	22%	23%	22%	15%	21%	21%	22%	23%	15%	16%	15%	18%	19%	19%	28%	11%
<i>The death penalty</i>																		
Morally acceptable	39%	42%	35%	29%	38%	48%	38%	48%	46%	36%	37%	37%	35%	56%	32%	41%	44%	15%
Morally wrong	38%	35%	40%	43%	35%	36%	33%	34%	30%	40%	42%	40%	44%	26%	46%	38%	27%	41%
Not sure	24%	22%	25%	28%	28%	16%	29%	18%	24%	24%	22%	24%	22%	18%	22%	21%	28%	43%
<i>Medical testing on animals</i>																		
Morally acceptable	24%	29%	19%	17%	25%	30%	21%	20%	29%	23%	26%	23%	25%	28%	20%	22%	27%	12%
Morally wrong	55%	49%	61%	62%	52%	51%	56%	62%	47%	55%	56%	52%	57%	51%	65%	58%	49%	68%
Not sure	21%	22%	20%	22%	23%	19%	23%	18%	24%	21%	18%	26%	18%	20%	15%	19%	24%	21%
<i>Pornography</i>																		
Morally acceptable	31%	39%	24%	35%	34%	25%	25%	27%	27%	34%	36%	24%	37%	25%	39%	34%	31%	22%
Morally wrong	50%	43%	56%	42%	43%	64%	52%	53%	50%	47%	50%	55%	47%	58%	44%	50%	49%	59%
Not sure	19%	18%	20%	24%	23%	12%	22%	20%	22%	19%	14%	22%	16%	16%	16%	16%	20%	19%
<i>Prostitution</i>																		
Morally acceptable	33%	40%	27%	35%	28%	37%	29%	27%	37%	32%	41%	26%	38%	24%	45%	38%	28%	29%
Morally wrong	47%	40%	54%	43%	50%	49%	47%	55%	46%	48%	43%	51%	46%	57%	33%	45%	46%	51%
Not sure	20%	20%	19%	23%	23%	14%	24%	19%	17%	20%	16%	23%	17%	19%	22%	17%	26%	20%

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<i>Cloning animals</i>																		
Morally acceptable	19%	25%	14%	24%	19%	15%	12%	17%	18%	20%	24%	18%	21%	19%	20%	17%	26%	22%
Morally wrong	58%	55%	60%	51%	54%	67%	62%	58%	58%	55%	59%	57%	57%	62%	58%	61%	49%	57%
Not sure	23%	20%	26%	25%	27%	18%	25%	25%	25%	25%	17%	25%	22%	18%	22%	22%	24%	21%
<i>Suicide</i>																		
Morally acceptable	18%	18%	19%	24%	15%	16%	21%	16%	13%	20%	19%	15%	18%	16%	26%	20%	20%	23%
Morally wrong	57%	59%	54%	49%	58%	62%	49%	57%	61%	53%	62%	60%	60%	65%	48%	55%	50%	56%
Not sure	25%	23%	27%	27%	27%	22%	30%	26%	26%	26%	19%	25%	22%	19%	26%	25%	30%	21%
<i>Using illegal drugs</i>																		
Morally acceptable	20%	22%	17%	21%	22%	16%	16%	16%	16%	21%	25%	13%	21%	15%	27%	21%	23%	14%
Morally wrong	63%	61%	64%	57%	56%	74%	65%	63%	65%	59%	62%	72%	62%	71%	55%	63%	60%	65%
Not sure	18%	17%	19%	22%	22%	10%	19%	20%	19%	20%	14%	15%	17%	14%	18%	16%	18%	21%
<i>Married men and/or women having an affair</i>																		
Morally acceptable	18%	25%	12%	17%	17%	19%	18%	12%	14%	17%	27%	11%	18%	18%	17%	17%	22%	22%
Morally wrong	68%	60%	75%	65%	66%	72%	70%	82%	71%	67%	58%	75%	69%	70%	73%	73%	62%	61%
Not sure	14%	15%	13%	17%	17%	9%	12%	6%	15%	16%	14%	15%	13%	12%	10%	11%	16%	16%
<i>Cloning humans</i>																		
Morally acceptable	12%	17%	7%	19%	10%	6%	8%	7%	9%	13%	15%	13%	13%	8%	13%	9%	17%	14%
Morally wrong	68%	65%	71%	55%	68%	81%	71%	71%	68%	65%	69%	67%	70%	75%	71%	72%	68%	67%
Not sure	20%	18%	22%	26%	22%	13%	20%	22%	23%	21%	16%	20%	17%	17%	16%	19%	15%	19%
<i>Polygamy</i>																		
Morally acceptable	19%	21%	16%	27%	20%	9%	15%	13%	13%	19%	28%	10%	17%	13%	31%	16%	19%	12%
Morally wrong	62%	58%	66%	49%	57%	79%	64%	69%	62%	63%	55%	69%	67%	72%	59%	68%	52%	67%
Not sure	19%	21%	17%	24%	23%	12%	21%	17%	25%	18%	16%	21%	17%	15%	10%	16%	29%	21%
<i>Paedophilia</i>																		
Morally acceptable	5%	6%	4%	10%	4%	1%	1%	5%	5%	5%	8%	2%	6%	3%	4%	3%	10%	6%
Morally wrong	83%	79%	86%	77%	82%	89%	84%	84%	79%	84%	82%	82%	85%	85%	86%	87%	71%	80%
Not sure	12%	15%	10%	13%	14%	10%	15%	11%	16%	11%	9%	16%	9%	12%	10%	9%	19%	14%