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	GENDER			AGE			REGION					VOTE IN 2021 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	75%	72%	77%	66%	75%	82%	79%	72%	75%	69%	77%	81%	78%	77%	82%	85%	61%	69%
Morally wrong	11%	14%	9%	18%	8%	7%	5%	6%	14%	15%	12%	7%	11%	10%	8%	7%	17%	14%
Not sure	14%	14%	14%	16%	16%	11%	16%	23%	12%	16%	10%	12%	11%	13%	10%	8%	22%	17%
Divorce																		
Morally acceptable	73%	71%	74%	72%	68%	76%	74%	67%	71%	71%	75%	78%	76%	71%	79%	79%	67%	64%
Morally wrong	16%	19%	12%	17%	16%	14%	13%	18%	17%	19%	14%	9%	14%	21%	12%	13%	21%	22%
Not sure	12%	10%	14%	10%	16%	10%	12%	15%	12%	11%	11%	13%	10%	9%	9%	8%	12%	14%
Sexual relations between an unmarried man and woman																		
Morally acceptable	69%	70%	68%	62%	67%	76%	73%	64%	73%	63%	73%	69%	74%	67%	74%	80%	61%	42%
Morally wrong	21%	21%	20%	25%	21%	17%	18%	23%	20%	25%	17%	19%	19%	27%	13%	15%	28%	40%
Not sure	10%	9%	12%	13%	12%	7%	9%	13%	7%	12%	9%	12%	7%	6%	13%	5%	12%	18%
Having a baby outside of marriage																		
Morally acceptable	69%	67%	71%	61%	68%	78%	67%	68%	71%	64%	76%	73%	72%	70%	72%	81%	52%	40%
Morally wrong	19%	21%	17%	26%	18%	13%	19%	19%	18%	24%	14%	16%	19%	22%	17%	12%	35%	39%
Not sure	12%	12%	12%	13%	14%	9%	14%	14%	11%	12%	11%	11%	9%	8%	11%	7%	13%	21%
Medical research using stem cells obtained from human embryos																		
Morally acceptable	55%	58%	52%	56%	52%	57%	60%	54%	53%	56%	50%	61%	58%	55%	63%	61%	50%	59%
Morally wrong	23%	24%	21%	24%	25%	20%	18%	16%	28%	23%	28%	19%	20%	25%	18%	20%	27%	22%
Not sure	22%	18%	26%	20%	23%	22%	22%	30%	20%	21%	22%	20%	22%	19%	20%	18%	23%	19%
Physician-assisted death																		
Morally acceptable	61%	61%	61%	57%	58%	66%	60%	63%	62%	53%	65%	68%	61%	60%	78%	71%	49%	38%
Morally wrong	22%	23%	20%	25%	22%	18%	17%	19%	21%	28%	20%	16%	22%	30%	8%	16%	28%	33%
Not sure	18%	16%	20%	18%	20%	16%	22%	18%	16%	19%	15%	16%	17%	9%	14%	12%	23%	28%
Abortion																		
Morally acceptable	55%	54%	57%	55%	52%	58%	58%	51%	56%	53%	57%	59%	60%	47%	71%	65%	50%	39%
Morally wrong	29%	30%	27%	30%	27%	29%	25%	34%	33%	30%	28%	26%	26%	39%	16%	24%	33%	40%
Not sure	16%	16%	16%	15%	20%	13%	17%	15%	11%	18%	15%	15%	14%	14%	13%	11%	18%	21%

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<i>Gambling</i>																		
Morally acceptable	52%	56%	49%	49%	53%	55%	58%	53%	51%	53%	48%	54%	54%	57%	55%	59%	40%	33%
Morally wrong	31%	29%	32%	35%	26%	30%	21%	32%	35%	29%	37%	28%	30%	33%	29%	28%	45%	44%
Not sure	17%	15%	19%	16%	20%	15%	21%	15%	14%	18%	15%	18%	15%	9%	17%	14%	14%	23%
<i>Sexual relations between two people of the same sex</i>																		
Morally acceptable	59%	55%	63%	60%	61%	57%	57%	58%	63%	52%	65%	63%	63%	50%	70%	68%	49%	36%
Morally wrong	27%	31%	24%	24%	24%	33%	31%	31%	30%	29%	20%	25%	25%	41%	19%	23%	39%	36%
Not sure	14%	14%	14%	16%	16%	10%	12%	11%	6%	18%	15%	12%	12%	10%	11%	9%	12%	29%
<i>Buying and wearing clothing made of animal fur</i>																		
Morally acceptable	36%	41%	30%	33%	37%	37%	31%	31%	35%	39%	36%	36%	34%	50%	29%	37%	34%	39%
Morally wrong	43%	39%	47%	44%	39%	45%	51%	37%	43%	40%	42%	46%	49%	32%	51%	45%	45%	38%
Not sure	22%	20%	23%	23%	24%	18%	18%	32%	23%	21%	21%	18%	18%	18%	20%	17%	21%	23%
<i>The death penalty</i>																		
Morally acceptable	40%	44%	35%	30%	40%	48%	41%	49%	42%	40%	34%	38%	39%	57%	30%	41%	43%	41%
Morally wrong	39%	37%	42%	48%	32%	37%	38%	28%	43%	36%	47%	38%	44%	26%	50%	41%	39%	27%
Not sure	21%	19%	23%	21%	28%	15%	20%	24%	14%	23%	19%	24%	17%	17%	20%	18%	18%	32%
<i>Medical testing on animals</i>																		
Morally acceptable	25%	33%	17%	22%	24%	30%	28%	23%	22%	27%	23%	28%	28%	32%	17%	26%	33%	21%
Morally wrong	57%	48%	66%	62%	56%	54%	55%	62%	60%	53%	60%	56%	57%	54%	70%	59%	51%	54%
Not sure	18%	18%	17%	16%	20%	17%	17%	15%	17%	20%	16%	16%	15%	14%	13%	15%	16%	25%
<i>Pornography</i>																		
Morally acceptable	31%	37%	24%	37%	31%	25%	31%	31%	27%	35%	28%	29%	34%	28%	37%	35%	29%	24%
Morally wrong	52%	47%	58%	45%	48%	62%	50%	50%	61%	47%	55%	55%	51%	61%	43%	52%	47%	48%
Not sure	17%	16%	18%	18%	21%	13%	19%	19%	12%	18%	17%	16%	15%	11%	20%	13%	23%	29%
<i>Prostitution</i>																		
Morally acceptable	30%	38%	23%	33%	28%	30%	33%	28%	28%	33%	30%	23%	31%	27%	40%	37%	27%	21%
Morally wrong	54%	48%	60%	48%	54%	60%	54%	60%	61%	48%	54%	60%	53%	62%	45%	51%	55%	57%
Not sure	16%	14%	17%	18%	19%	11%	13%	12%	11%	19%	16%	17%	16%	11%	15%	12%	18%	23%

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<i>Cloning animals</i>																		
Morally acceptable	19%	25%	12%	16%	18%	22%	21%	24%	13%	23%	14%	14%	22%	20%	18%	20%	19%	19%
Morally wrong	60%	54%	66%	56%	61%	62%	55%	56%	64%	51%	71%	62%	58%	59%	55%	59%	58%	51%
Not sure	22%	21%	23%	28%	21%	17%	24%	21%	23%	26%	15%	23%	20%	21%	27%	20%	23%	30%
<i>Suicide</i>																		
Morally acceptable	18%	20%	17%	22%	16%	17%	19%	23%	15%	18%	17%	21%	18%	14%	32%	23%	19%	12%
Morally wrong	60%	62%	58%	54%	60%	66%	58%	61%	64%	61%	59%	57%	62%	72%	44%	57%	64%	62%
Not sure	22%	18%	25%	25%	25%	17%	23%	16%	21%	22%	24%	21%	20%	14%	23%	20%	18%	26%
<i>Using illegal drugs</i>																		
Morally acceptable	18%	20%	15%	24%	15%	14%	19%	18%	20%	18%	14%	19%	18%	14%	25%	20%	9%	21%
Morally wrong	66%	65%	66%	58%	65%	74%	66%	73%	63%	63%	68%	66%	68%	76%	55%	64%	78%	64%
Not sure	17%	15%	18%	19%	20%	12%	15%	10%	17%	19%	18%	15%	14%	11%	20%	16%	13%	15%
<i>Married men and/or women having an affair</i>																		
Morally acceptable	16%	22%	10%	14%	13%	21%	19%	15%	6%	17%	21%	8%	21%	16%	14%	17%	18%	21%
Morally wrong	71%	65%	77%	73%	72%	69%	69%	76%	84%	67%	65%	81%	69%	73%	71%	73%	67%	64%
Not sure	13%	13%	13%	13%	15%	10%	11%	9%	10%	15%	14%	10%	10%	10%	15%	10%	15%	15%
<i>Cloning humans</i>																		
Morally acceptable	12%	15%	9%	16%	12%	8%	11%	11%	13%	15%	11%	5%	15%	12%	7%	10%	18%	14%
Morally wrong	69%	66%	72%	60%	68%	79%	66%	67%	72%	63%	76%	72%	69%	74%	68%	73%	61%	57%
Not sure	19%	19%	19%	24%	20%	14%	23%	22%	15%	21%	13%	23%	16%	13%	25%	16%	21%	29%
<i>Polygamy</i>																		
Morally acceptable	19%	20%	18%	29%	20%	10%	16%	19%	14%	20%	22%	18%	18%	14%	29%	19%	21%	22%
Morally wrong	63%	63%	62%	47%	58%	80%	67%	61%	65%	59%	63%	64%	65%	74%	54%	67%	55%	58%
Not sure	18%	17%	20%	24%	21%	10%	17%	19%	21%	21%	14%	18%	17%	12%	17%	14%	24%	20%
<i>Paedophilia</i>																		
Morally acceptable	4%	5%	3%	7%	3%	2%	5%	3%	0%	5%	5%	2%	4%	4%	4%	2%	7%	5%
Morally wrong	86%	84%	87%	82%	85%	90%	82%	86%	96%	83%	85%	89%	89%	87%	86%	92%	74%	77%
Not sure	10%	10%	10%	11%	12%	8%	13%	12%	4%	12%	9%	9%	7%	10%	9%	6%	18%	18%