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	Canada	GENDER		AGE			REGION					VOTE IN 2025 FEDERAL ELECTION				ETHNICITY			
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	Indig.	European	East Asian	South Asian
<b>Contraception</b>																			
Morally acceptable	73%	69%	76%	61%	73%	84%	71%	69%	75%	72%	72%	83%	80%	69%	77%	63%	62%	84%	46%
Morally wrong	15%	19%	11%	22%	14%	8%	17%	15%	14%	15%	15%	8%	13%	17%	15%	18%	19%	10%	29%
Not sure	13%	12%	13%	17%	14%	8%	12%	16%	10%	13%	13%	9%	7%	14%	9%	19%	19%	7%	25%
<b>Divorce</b>																			
Morally acceptable	70%	67%	72%	59%	70%	80%	65%	66%	61%	72%	73%	76%	76%	66%	71%	61%	68%	80%	46%
Morally wrong	19%	24%	15%	27%	18%	12%	23%	23%	27%	17%	16%	14%	16%	22%	18%	22%	20%	12%	32%
Not sure	11%	10%	13%	13%	12%	9%	12%	11%	12%	12%	11%	11%	7%	12%	11%	17%	12%	7%	22%
<b>Sexual relations between an unmarried man and woman</b>																			
Morally acceptable	67%	66%	67%	58%	69%	74%	68%	63%	61%	64%	71%	75%	72%	63%	70%	67%	67%	77%	38%
Morally wrong	22%	25%	20%	28%	19%	19%	21%	24%	23%	26%	20%	14%	20%	26%	20%	20%	21%	15%	36%
Not sure	11%	9%	13%	14%	12%	7%	11%	13%	16%	9%	9%	11%	7%	12%	10%	13%	13%	8%	25%
<b>Having a baby outside of marriage</b>																			
Morally acceptable	62%	60%	63%	51%	60%	74%	59%	56%	61%	61%	65%	69%	67%	58%	64%	66%	49%	75%	27%
Morally wrong	25%	29%	22%	33%	24%	20%	27%	29%	22%	28%	22%	20%	22%	30%	27%	19%	38%	17%	50%
Not sure	12%	11%	15%	16%	16%	6%	13%	14%	17%	11%	13%	11%	10%	12%	10%	15%	13%	8%	23%
<b>Medical research using stem cells obtained from human embryos</b>																			
Morally acceptable	55%	59%	49%	51%	56%	56%	59%	50%	51%	55%	53%	60%	62%	49%	58%	55%	53%	60%	41%
Morally wrong	24%	23%	26%	28%	20%	24%	22%	23%	26%	26%	26%	18%	21%	28%	18%	23%	25%	21%	36%
Not sure	21%	17%	25%	20%	24%	20%	19%	27%	23%	19%	21%	22%	17%	23%	24%	22%	23%	20%	23%
<b>Physician-assisted death</b>																			
Morally acceptable	54%	53%	56%	47%	52%	64%	50%	55%	57%	50%	57%	65%	63%	44%	61%	47%	57%	66%	35%
Morally wrong	28%	33%	24%	31%	29%	24%	33%	26%	25%	33%	24%	20%	21%	39%	27%	30%	27%	22%	36%
Not sure	18%	14%	21%	22%	19%	12%	17%	19%	18%	17%	18%	15%	16%	17%	13%	23%	16%	13%	29%
<b>Abortion</b>																			
Morally acceptable	56%	56%	56%	50%	54%	64%	56%	42%	50%	56%	64%	63%	66%	46%	64%	52%	58%	65%	35%
Morally wrong	29%	32%	25%	34%	27%	25%	30%	37%	27%	31%	22%	25%	23%	37%	27%	33%	26%	21%	48%
Not sure	15%	12%	18%	16%	19%	11%	14%	21%	22%	13%	14%	11%	11%	17%	9%	15%	16%	14%	17%

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	Indig.	European	East Asian	South Asian
<b>Gambling</b>																			
Morally acceptable	50%	52%	47%	42%	47%	60%	55%	52%	47%	48%	46%	58%	53%	51%	52%	56%	30%	60%	22%
Morally wrong	35%	35%	36%	43%	35%	28%	34%	32%	37%	35%	40%	29%	35%	38%	31%	29%	47%	28%	65%
Not sure	15%	12%	17%	15%	18%	12%	11%	16%	16%	17%	14%	14%	13%	11%	17%	15%	23%	12%	13%
<b>Sexual relations between two people of the same sex</b>																			
Morally acceptable	54%	51%	56%	49%	54%	58%	54%	48%	51%	54%	56%	58%	64%	44%	63%	52%	47%	63%	33%
Morally wrong	33%	38%	29%	34%	31%	34%	34%	39%	32%	34%	31%	26%	26%	44%	25%	30%	43%	27%	41%
Not sure	13%	11%	16%	17%	15%	8%	12%	12%	17%	12%	14%	16%	10%	12%	12%	18%	10%	10%	26%
<b>Buying and wearing clothing made of animal fur</b>																			
Morally acceptable	38%	46%	30%	41%	34%	39%	31%	38%	46%	40%	32%	47%	35%	44%	41%	35%	36%	41%	25%
Morally wrong	44%	39%	50%	42%	47%	44%	48%	39%	41%	44%	48%	35%	50%	39%	42%	42%	42%	43%	54%
Not sure	18%	16%	20%	17%	19%	18%	22%	23%	13%	15%	19%	17%	16%	18%	17%	22%	22%	16%	20%
<b>The death penalty</b>																			
Morally acceptable	40%	44%	37%	35%	37%	46%	44%	44%	38%	41%	31%	51%	33%	51%	41%	42%	34%	42%	42%
Morally wrong	41%	43%	38%	43%	43%	37%	41%	32%	33%	43%	49%	32%	49%	34%	40%	35%	40%	40%	35%
Not sure	19%	13%	26%	21%	20%	17%	15%	24%	29%	16%	21%	17%	18%	15%	19%	23%	26%	17%	23%
<b>Medical testing on animals</b>																			
Morally acceptable	25%	35%	16%	27%	23%	26%	35%	24%	31%	22%	21%	27%	27%	28%	23%	18%	29%	25%	25%
Morally wrong	58%	50%	65%	56%	59%	59%	47%	54%	54%	62%	63%	58%	60%	56%	56%	65%	57%	61%	50%
Not sure	17%	15%	18%	17%	19%	15%	17%	22%	15%	16%	16%	15%	13%	16%	21%	17%	15%	14%	25%
<b>Pornography</b>																			
Morally acceptable	31%	40%	21%	33%	36%	23%	28%	24%	34%	32%	34%	28%	33%	26%	40%	40%	28%	35%	22%
Morally wrong	56%	48%	64%	52%	47%	67%	61%	62%	46%	55%	53%	63%	57%	63%	41%	47%	53%	54%	53%
Not sure	13%	12%	15%	15%	17%	10%	12%	14%	20%	14%	13%	10%	10%	11%	19%	13%	19%	11%	25%
<b>Prostitution</b>																			
Morally acceptable	28%	34%	22%	27%	28%	28%	29%	17%	31%	28%	30%	29%	30%	23%	40%	32%	29%	32%	13%
Morally wrong	58%	55%	62%	58%	55%	60%	58%	70%	49%	59%	53%	63%	56%	67%	48%	53%	48%	56%	68%
Not sure	14%	12%	16%	15%	17%	12%	13%	13%	20%	13%	17%	9%	14%	11%	12%	15%	23%	12%	19%

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<b><i>Cloning animals</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	19%	26%	11%	24%	19%	13%	18%	16%	20%	21%	16%	22%	18%	19%	21%	22%	18%	19%	13%
Morally wrong	64%	57%	69%	57%	59%	73%	62%	64%	61%	61%	66%	69%	67%	65%	59%	58%	62%	66%	65%
Not sure	18%	17%	19%	19%	22%	14%	20%	20%	19%	19%	17%	9%	15%	17%	20%	20%	20%	16%	21%
<b><i>Suicide</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	20%	22%	19%	25%	20%	17%	21%	13%	27%	21%	19%	22%	24%	16%	25%	21%	20%	21%	25%
Morally wrong	59%	62%	58%	52%	59%	67%	61%	66%	50%	60%	59%	56%	57%	68%	51%	53%	53%	59%	59%
Not sure	20%	16%	23%	23%	22%	16%	18%	21%	23%	19%	22%	22%	19%	16%	24%	25%	27%	20%	16%
<b><i>Using illegal drugs</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	18%	21%	15%	25%	19%	10%	16%	16%	20%	17%	19%	21%	18%	15%	31%	27%	6%	20%	18%
Morally wrong	69%	68%	72%	63%	65%	79%	69%	74%	66%	71%	69%	67%	71%	74%	58%	53%	79%	68%	65%
Not sure	13%	11%	14%	12%	16%	11%	15%	11%	15%	12%	12%	12%	10%	11%	11%	20%	14%	12%	17%
<b><i>Married men and/or women having an affair</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	18%	23%	13%	21%	19%	14%	16%	13%	13%	17%	24%	16%	19%	16%	14%	15%	16%	16%	21%
Morally wrong	70%	65%	75%	66%	68%	76%	72%	73%	74%	70%	63%	77%	71%	71%	75%	73%	74%	73%	56%
Not sure	12%	12%	13%	14%	13%	11%	11%	14%	12%	13%	14%	8%	9%	12%	12%	12%	10%	11%	24%
<b><i>Cloning humans</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	12%	16%	9%	19%	13%	5%	13%	11%	8%	13%	13%	11%	12%	11%	15%	12%	7%	10%	23%
Morally wrong	75%	73%	76%	65%	72%	87%	73%	75%	74%	77%	71%	82%	76%	80%	68%	75%	74%	80%	59%
Not sure	13%	11%	15%	16%	15%	8%	14%	14%	18%	10%	15%	7%	12%	9%	17%	13%	19%	10%	18%
<b><i>Polygamy</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	21%	24%	17%	35%	20%	8%	17%	18%	17%	21%	26%	17%	22%	16%	30%	34%	22%	18%	27%
Morally wrong	64%	62%	66%	49%	62%	81%	62%	69%	63%	64%	60%	74%	65%	71%	50%	45%	52%	70%	51%
Not sure	15%	13%	17%	17%	18%	12%	21%	13%	20%	15%	13%	9%	13%	13%	20%	21%	26%	12%	21%
<b><i>Paedophilia</i></b>																			
Morally acceptable	8%	11%	5%	13%	8%	2%	8%	4%	9%	9%	7%	9%	7%	9%	8%	8%	10%	4%	10%
Morally wrong	82%	81%	82%	76%	80%	89%	77%	85%	83%	82%	82%	82%	85%	82%	80%	81%	78%	89%	70%
Not sure	11%	8%	13%	11%	12%	10%	15%	11%	8%	9%	10%	9%	8%	9%	12%	10%	12%	7%	20%