

We'd like to ask you some questions about the death penalty. Which of these statements comes closest to your own point of view about the death penalty?



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	Canada	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic Canada	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	Indig.	East Asian	European	South Asian	
The death penalty is always appropriate	14%	14%	14%	13%	16%	13%	12%	13%	20%	15%	12%	12%	12%	24%	6%	10%	22%	13%	15%	
The death penalty is sometimes appropriate	56%	56%	55%	57%	55%	55%	64%	60%	58%	54%	52%	51%	61%	60%	55%	56%	55%	60%	60%	
The death penalty is never appropriate	23%	23%	23%	24%	20%	25%	20%	17%	15%	23%	28%	27%	29%	13%	26%	33%	16%	26%	11%	
Not sure	8%	7%	8%	6%	9%	8%	5%	10%	7%	7%	9%	8%	7%	3%	7%	2%	6%	6%	14%	

Poll conducted by Research Co. on the Death Penalty in Canada - June 18, 2026

As you may know, Canada eliminated the death penalty for murder in July 1976. All things considered, would you support or oppose reinstating the death penalty for murder in Canada?



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Strongly support	23%	23%	23%	20%	24%	24%	26%	25%	37%	23%	15%	22%	19%	37%	17%	19%	22%	23%	32%
Moderately support	37%	40%	35%	41%	35%	37%	41%	40%	30%	39%	35%	33%	34%	41%	38%	37%	41%	35%	36%
Moderately oppose	11%	11%	11%	13%	12%	8%	9%	8%	7%	11%	14%	12%	14%	6%	16%	13%	17%	10%	11%
Strongly oppose	19%	19%	19%	18%	16%	21%	16%	14%	10%	18%	26%	19%	25%	9%	24%	28%	11%	23%	7%
Not sure	10%	7%	13%	9%	13%	9%	8%	12%	16%	9%	10%	13%	9%	7%	5%	4%	8%	9%	14%

To supporters - Why do you support reinstating the death penalty for murder in Canada?



	Support the Death Penalty	GENDER		AGE			REGION					VOTE IN 2025 FEDERAL ELECTION					ETHNICITY				
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic Canada	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	Indig.	East Asian	European	South Asian		
A convicted murderer has taken a life, so the death penalty fits the crime	56%	53%	59%	53%	52%	61%	60%	61%	55%	60%	40%	59%	49%	66%	58%	46%	51%	57%	58%		
The death penalty would serve as a deterrent for potential murderers	52%	55%	48%	44%	54%	59%	53%	53%	58%	52%	54%	37%	49%	58%	37%	47%	46%	61%	25%		
The death penalty would provide closure to the families of murder victims	49%	49%	49%	41%	53%	54%	50%	51%	49%	56%	36%	45%	52%	54%	40%	64%	58%	52%	39%		
The death penalty would save taxpayers money and the costs associated with having murderers in prison	46%	48%	44%	33%	48%	57%	52%	48%	66%	44%	39%	41%	46%	52%	57%	39%	52%	54%	33%		
Murderers cannot be rehabilitated	31%	27%	34%	31%	30%	30%	35%	37%	29%	30%	26%	30%	28%	37%	24%	19%	44%	29%	39%		
None of these	4%	4%	4%	3%	7%	3%	5%	1%	5%	3%	4%	8%	4%	2%	4%	3%	8%	3%	6%		

To opponents - Why do you oppose reinstating the death penalty for murder in Canada?



	Oppose the Death Penalty	GENDER		AGE			REGION					VOTE IN 2025 FEDERAL ELECTION				ETHNICITY				
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	BC	Alberta	SK / MB	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic Canada	Liberal	Conserv.	NDP	Indig.	East Asian	European	South Asian	
A person may be wrongly convicted, and then executed	66%	66%	66%	61%	63%	73%	80%	76%	67%	65%	55%	85%	73%	46%	75%	68%	55%	70%	55%	
Murderers should do their time in prison, as indicated by a judge	49%	41%	56%	56%	44%	46%	53%	28%	34%	51%	52%	48%	49%	41%	56%	37%	42%	49%	18%	
The death penalty would not serve as a deterrent for potential murderers	39%	36%	41%	34%	32%	48%	36%	24%	45%	46%	34%	40%	47%	30%	32%	25%	34%	46%	25%	
Even if a convicted murderer has taken a life, it is wrong to take the murderer's own life as punishment	35%	33%	38%	26%	37%	43%	33%	52%	38%	37%	31%	34%	35%	35%	41%	24%	15%	44%	59%	
Murderers can be rehabilitated	18%	23%	13%	18%	15%	20%	32%	8%	42%	17%	18%	2%	19%	13%	10%	16%	8%	20%	27%	
None of these	3%	4%	1%	3%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	3%	4%	2%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

All things considered, which of these two approaches would you prefer as a punishment for convicted murderers in Canada?



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Life imprisonment without the possibility of parole	49%	48%	50%	56%	45%	45%	49%	41%	48%	49%	49%	58%	57%	35%	65%	55%	43%	50%	46%
The death penalty	39%	40%	39%	34%	42%	42%	40%	48%	36%	40%	37%	31%	34%	54%	27%	33%	48%	39%	39%
Not sure	12%	12%	12%	10%	13%	12%	11%	11%	16%	11%	14%	11%	9%	11%	7%	12%	10%	10%	16%