

Commissioned Research  
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## **Abortion Issues**

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61C. In your opinion, at what point in human development should the law protect human life?  
Should it be...?

	TOTAL	REGION					SUB-REGION							COMMUNITY SIZE			
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UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	251	501	600	452	220	270	218	97	126	125	201	1523	585	518	423	498
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	157	489	772	343	264	348	212	119	76	66	201	1536	679	503	406	436
From conception on	30	34	34	27	32	22	24	29	22	34	37	30	28	25	27	31	38
After three months of pregnancy	19	17	19	19	24	17	20	20	15	20	20	26	20	19	20	20	19
After six months of pregnancy, or	11	12	9	12	8	14	12	11	16	10	9	7	12	12	11	12	8
From the point of birth	33	29	32	35	30	36	39	32	33	27	27	32	34	36	36	30	30
DK/NA	7	8	6	6	6	11	5	8	15	8	6	5	7	7	7	8	6

	TOTAL	EMPLOYMENT					HOUSEHOLD INCOME				EDUCATION				
		Full Time	Part Time	Home makr	Unem	Reti red	Less \$20K	20K- \$40K	40K- \$80K	\$80K More	Less H.S.	Comm H.S.	Some Coll	Univ	Univ Deg.
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	879	173	100	80	465	250	422	697	458	205	304	609	240	648
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	893	168	97	80	455	251	414	691	473	191	297	617	236	664
From conception on	30	24	34	47	37	31	33	35	28	23	42	35	30	26	24
After three months of pregnancy	19	22	20	16	20	14	19	18	19	22	14	18	20	23	19
After six months of pregnancy, or	11	12	9	7	9	9	6	8	12	15	5	7	9	13	16
From the point of birth	33	35	30	27	29	37	37	34	34	34	31	36	35	30	33
DK/NA	7	7	7	3	5	8	5	4	8	6	8	4	6	9	7

	TOTAL	GENDER		AGE				IMMIGRANT		FED GOV'T SATISFACT		UNION MEMBER			FEDERAL VOTE				
		Male	Fe- male	18- 29	30- 44	45- 59	60+	Eu- rope	Othr	Sat' fied	Dis sati	Pri- vate	Pub- lic	Hs- hld	Lib.	Con.	NDP	Bloc Que.	Unde cide
UNWEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	1012	1012	312	549	638	488	152	116	879	1113	83	258	506	639	472	322	181	276
WEIGHTED SAMPLE	2024	972	1053	358	601	543	485	165	133	872	1116	79	252	501	644	457	333	176	268
From conception on	30	24	34	32	28	28	31	28	33	27	31	27	23	24	25	36	28	23	33
After three months of pregnancy	19	20	19	19	24	20	14	22	22	20	19	19	21	22	22	17	19	24	15
After six months of pregnancy, or	11	11	11	13	10	12	9	9	8	12	10	12	14	12	12	10	13	11	7
From the point of birth	33	36	31	32	32	32	38	36	30	34	33	35	34	34	36	30	33	38	32
DK/NA	7	8	6	5	5	8	8	5	6	7	7	8	9	8	6	6	7	4	12

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62C. Some states in the U.S. have "informed consent" laws concerning abortion. These laws require that, before a woman has an abortion procedure, her physician must provide her with certain information such as details on the stages of fetal development including an ultrasound scan, the possible complications and side effects following an abortion, and alternatives to abortion. Do you support or oppose similar laws in Canada for women considering abortion?

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Yes, support	70	79	71	68	74	61	66	70	52	64	81	76	69	65	69	72	77
No, oppose	27	18	27	29	22	35	32	28	44	30	16	21	27	33	27	25	21
DK/NA	3	3	2	3	4	4	2	2	3	6	3	3	3	3	4	3	2

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Yes, support	70	72	68	70	72	62	63	71	71	71	66	72	72	75	66
No, oppose	27	26	29	27	25	34	33	26	26	27	30	25	25	22	32
DK/NA	3	2	4	3	2	5	3	3	3	2	4	3	3	3	2

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		Male	Fe- male	18- 29	30- 44	45- 59	60+	Eu- rope	Othr	Sat' fied	Dis sati	Pri- vate	Pub- lic	Hs- hld	Lib.	Con.	NDP	Bloc Que.	Unde cide
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Yes, support	70	69	70	76	75	69	61	63	69	69	71	67	74	74	68	77	66	72	66
No, oppose	27	28	27	23	22	29	34	34	24	28	27	29	25	24	30	21	32	27	25
DK/NA	3	3	3	1	3	2	5	3	7	3	2	4	1	2	2	2	2	1	8

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63C. At present in Canada it is legal for minors under the age of 18 to have an abortion without the consent of their parents. Do you support or oppose a law that requires minors under the age of 18 to have their parents' consent in order to have an abortion?

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Yes, support	56	68	50	55	63	50	58	51	46	54	71	63	57	54	50	59	62
No, oppose	41	29	47	42	35	44	38	47	47	42	25	35	39	42	48	38	34
DK/NA	3	3	3	3	3	5	4	3	7	4	4	2	3	4	2	3	4

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Yes, support	56	54	57	67	45	59	59	62	53	52	70	63	58	60	44
No, oppose	41	43	41	29	52	36	38	36	44	45	26	35	37	37	53
DK/NA	3	3	2	4	2	5	3	2	4	3	3	3	5	3	2

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Yes, support	56	54	57	49	59	54	59	57	61	55	56	48	50	50	55	69	42	48	59
No, oppose	41	43	39	49	38	43	36	40	33	41	41	48	47	47	42	29	54	49	34
DK/NA	3	3	4	2	2	3	5	3	5	4	3	4	3	3	3	2	4	3	7

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Abortions should be financed using tax dollars but only in medical emergencies, such as a threat to the mother's life or in cases of rape or incest	50	62	37	53	60	44	51	36	37	51	62	63	54	44	49	51	59	
Abortions should always be paid using the tax-funded health care system	29	20	32	30	20	35	33	37	41	23	18	20	28	36	32	22	21	
Paying for abortions should be a private responsibility, either out-of-pocket or using Blue Cross or other private health care plans	18	16	27	15	18	15	14	22	15	22	18	17	16	17	16	26	17	
DK/NA	3	2	3	2	2	5	2	4	7	4	2	1	2	3	2	1	3	

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DK/NA	3	3	2	2	1	2	5	3	5	3	2	2	4	3	2	1	3	3	5