
CANADIAN OPINION ON THE CORONAVIRUS – N°24: THE SECOND WAVE: AMONGST THE VERY CONCERNED QUEBECERS ARE THE LOWEST IN NORTH AMERICA

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INTRODUCTION : A SECOND WAVE OF THE VIRUS

Many experts predict that a second round of Covid-19 cases is inevitable come fall just as provinces in Canada and States to the South of our border are actively pursuing de-confinement measures. There has been increased public discussion amongst elected officials about the need for readiness to combat a second wave of the virus. That which follows looks at levels of concern amongst Canadians and Americans about a second wave of the virus and the extent to which people are preoccupied with their respective governments ability to defend against the contagion in the two countries

THE VAST MAJORITY OF CANADIANS ARE WORRIED ABOUT A SECOND WAVE IN THE FALL; WOMEN MORE CONCERNED THAN MEN

A second wave of the virus in fall - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...						
	Total	Man	Woman	18-34	35-54	55+
TOTAL CONCERNED	86%	82%	90%	88%	84%	87%
Very concerned	45%	40%	50%	46%	45%	46%
Somewhat concerned	41%	42%	40%	42%	40%	41%
TOTAL NOT CONCERNED	14%	18%	10%	12%	16%	13%
Not very concerned	10%	12%	8%	7%	11%	10%
Not concerned at all	4%	6%	2%	5%	5%	3%

AMONGST VERY CONCERNED ABOUT SECOND WAVE QUEBECERS ARE LOWEST IN THE COUNTRY

A second wave of the virus in fall - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...							
	Total	Atl.	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
TOTAL CONCERNED	86%	80%	78%	91%	90%	84%	91%
Very concerned	45%	38%	32%	54%	41%	54%	43%
Somewhat concerned	41%	43%	47%	37%	49%	31%	48%
TOTAL NOT CONCERNED	14%	20%	22%	9%	10%	16%	9%
Not very concerned	10%	16%	18%	6%	6%	8%	6%
Not concerned at all	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	7%	3%

WOMEN ARE MORE CONCERNED THAN MEN ABOUT THE CAPACITY TO FIGHT A SECOND WAVE OF COVID 19

Our capacity to fight a second wave of the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...						
	Total	Man	Woman	18-34	35-54	55+
TOTAL CONCERNED	80%	76%	83%	77%	79%	82%
Very concerned	36%	33%	39%	34%	38%	36%
Somewhat concerned	43%	42%	44%	43%	41%	46%
TOTAL NOT CONCERNED	20%	24%	17%	23%	21%	18%
Not very concerned	15%	16%	14%	17%	15%	14%
Not concerned at all	5%	8%	3%	6%	6%	4%

EASTERN CANADA SOMEWHAT LESS CONCERNED ABOUT CAPACITY TO FIGHT A SECOND WAVE OF COVID 19

Our capacity to fight a second wave of the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...							
	Total	Atl.	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
TOTAL CONCERNED	80%	72%	74%	86%	79%	77%	79%
Very concerned	36%	31%	33%	43%	32%	34%	30%
Somewhat concerned	43%	41%	41%	43%	46%	43%	49%
TOTAL NOT CONCERNED	20%	28%	26%	14%	21%	23%	21%
Not very concerned	15%	21%	22%	9%	12%	16%	18%
Not concerned at all	5%	6%	4%	5%	9%	7%	3%

AMONGST THOSE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT A SECOND WAVE OF COVID 19, QUEBECERS ARE LEAST CONCERNED ON THE CONTINENT

	A second wave of the virus in fall - As the governments start lifting protective measures, you are very concerned...	Our capacity to fight a second wave of the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) - As the governments start lifting protective measures, you are very concerned about...
USA	53%	48%
NE	50%	46%
MW	52%	50%
South	56%	49%
West	52%	46%
Canada	45%	36%
Atlantic	38%	31%
Quebec	32%	33%
Ontario	54%	43%
Manitoba/Saskatchewan	41%	32%
Alberta	54%	34%
British Columbia	43%	30%

SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCE PERSISTS BETWEEN QUEBEC FRANCOPHONES AND ANGLOPHONES IN CONCERN OVER THE SECOND WAVE OF THE VIRUS

Quebec		
A second wave of the virus in fall - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...	French	English
Very concerned	27.5%	59.5%
Somewhat concerned	49.5%	32.4%
Not very concerned	18.3%	5.4%
Not concerned at all	4.8%	2.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

SATISFACTION WITH QUEBEC GOVERNMENT HAS IMPORTANT IMPACT ON QUEBEC FRANCOPHONES CONCERN ABOUT SECOND WAVE

Quebec Francophones	Your provincial government - To this day, are you satisfied or not with the measures put in place to fight the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic by the following?		
	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Dissatisfied
A second wave of the virus in fall - As the governments start lifting protective measures, how concerned are you about...			
Very concerned	20.9%	25.7%	53%
Somewhat concerned	58.3%	49.6%	31%
Not very concerned	18.3%	21.2%	4%
Not concerned at all	2.6%	3.5%	12%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

METHODOLOGY

Web survey using computer-assisted Web interviewing (CAWI) technology.

From May 22th to May 24th, 2020

1510 Canadians and 1,005 Americans, 18 years of age or older, randomly recruited from LEO's online panel.

Using data from the 2016 Census, results were weighted according to gender, age, mother tongue, region, education level and presence of children in the household in order to ensure a representative sample of the population.

No margin of error can be associated with a non-probability sample (Web panel in this case). However for comparative purposes, a probability sample of 2,009 respondents would have a margin of error of $\pm 2.52\%$, 19 times out of 20, while a probability sample of 1,012 would have a margin of error of $\pm 3.08\%$, 19 times out of 20.

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