

CANADIAN OPINION ON THE CORONAVIRUS – N° 14: ECONOMIC VULNERABILITY SCORE FOR SELECTED VISIBLE MINORITIES AND THE EFFECTS COVID-19

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INTRODUCTION AND METHODOLOGY

The findings are based on a two week rolling average of groups identifying as visible minority conducted by Leger in partnership with the Association for Canadian Studies with a total sample for the two weeks exceeding 3700 Canadians, 18 years of age or older and collected via an online panel between March 27 and March 29 and April 3 and 5, 2020. The first table establishes a cumulative score based on four indicators of economic/financial vulnerability the details for which are provided in the four subsequent tables. A final table touches on the extent to which the six groups believe that there is a major threat to their personal financial situation.

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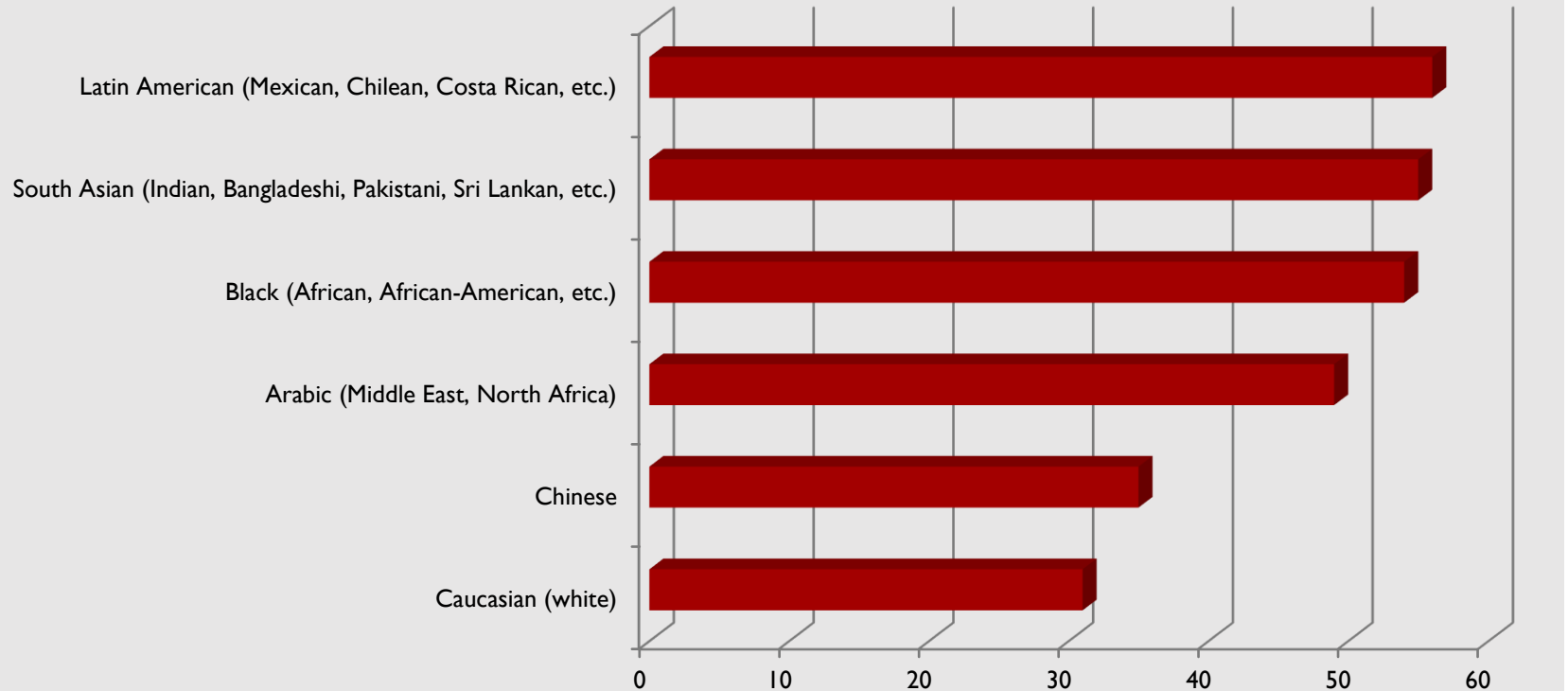
No margin of error can be associated with a non-probability sample (Web panel in this case). However for comparative purposes, a probability sample of 1,508 respondents would have a margin of error of $\pm 2.52\%$, 19 times out of 20. That 'margin' rises for survey sub groups.

	Sample Size March 27-29	Sample Size April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	1605	1649	3254
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	31	30	61
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	35	30	65
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	41	52	93
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	60	68	128
Chinese	74	96	170

LATIN AMERICAN, SOUTH ASIAN AND BLACK CANADIANS EXCEED 50% ON ECONOMIC VULNERABILITY ARISING FROM COVID-19 CRISIS

Negative impact-Canada	Global Economic Vulnerability Score
Caucasian (white)	31
Chinese	35
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	49
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	54
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	55
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	56

Economic Vulnerability Score Canada –COVID-19



LATIN AMERICAN, ARABIC AND BLACK GROUPS REPORT GREATER DIFFICULTY IN FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

Your capacity to assist other family members financially –Negative impact	March 27-29	April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	39.2%	40.2%	40
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	58.1%	63.3%	61
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	57.1%	63.3%	60
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	61.0%	57.7%	59
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	60.0%	53.7%	56
Chinese	40.5%	39.6%	40

SUBSTANTIAL GAP BETWEEN BLACK, SOUTH ASIAN AND LATIN AMERICAN IN CAPACITY TO PAY RENT OR MORTGAGE RELATIVE TO WHITE RESPONDENTS

Your capacity to pay your mortgage or rent –negative impact	March 27-29	April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	17.9%	18.9%	19
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	35.5%	53.3%	44
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	31.4%	36.7%	34
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	39.0%	50.9%	47
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	48.3%	44.1%	46
Chinese	31.5%	27.1%	28

BIG GAP IN ABILITY OF SOUTH ASIAN, BLACK AND LATIN AMERICAN CANADIANS AND CHINESE AND WHITE TO PAY BILLS ON TIME

Your capacity to meet your financial obligations (pay bills on time) negatively affected	March 27-29	April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	23.2%	24.4%	24
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	58.1%	43.3%	50
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	51.4%	38.7%	45
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	41.5%	57.7%	50
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	50.0%	57.4%	53
Chinese	35.6%	27.1%	30

IMPORTANT PERCENTAGE OF LATIN AMERICANS, SOUTH ASIAN, BLACK AND ARABIC REPORT DECREASE IN INCOME SINCE BEGINNING OF CRISIS

Decrease in your income negatively affected	March 27-29	April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	42.0%	41.8%	42
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	74.2%	66.7%	70
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	60.0%	56.7%	58
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	56.1%	67.3%	61
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	62.3%	67.6%	65
Chinese	43.2%	39.6%	41

AT LEAST SEVEN IN TEN SOUTH ASIANS, LATIN AMERICAN AND BLACK CANADIANS REPORT THAT THE CURRENT CRISIS CONSTITUTES A MAJOR THREAT TO THEIR PERSONAL FINANCIAL SITUATION

A major threat to your personal financial situation	March 27-29	April 3-5	2 week rolling average
Caucasian (white)	53.3%	50.6%	52
Latin American (Mexican, Chilean, Costa Rican, etc.)	80.0%	71.0%	75
Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	60.0%	60.0%	60
Black (African, African-American, etc.)	67.3%	70.7%	70
South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	74.6%	76.7%	75
Chinese	51.6%	51.4%	51



CANADA VS UNITED STATES



CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES SHOW SIMILARITIES IN GAPS BETWEEN NON WHITE /WHITE AND VIZMIN/ NOT VIZMIN WHEN IT COMES TO ECONOMIC IMPACT OF COVID-19

At the moment, has the current crisis had a negative impact on you financially, when it comes to the following:	United States			Canada		
	Total	White	Other	Total	Not a Visible Minority	Visible Minority
Your capacity to meet your financial obligations (pay bills on time)	28%	23%	42%	27%	24%	39%
Your capacity to pay your mortgage or rent	21%	17%	33%	21%	18	32
Your capacity to assist other family members financially	34%	32%	40%	42%	40%	48%
Decrease in your income	41%	40%	46%	45%	41%	53%

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