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# WHO GOT BOOSTED? ETHNIC, RACIAL, RELIGIOUS AND INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIERS IN CANADA

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# INTRODUCTION: IDENTITIES AND VACCINE BOOSTERS

- **National Immunization Awareness Week (NIAW)** is an annual event held in the last week of April to highlight and recognize the importance of immunization. During NIAW, you will see increased publicity about the importance of immunization and the success and impact that immunization has had in protecting and saving lives. Many organizations, in Canada and around the world, participate in international strategies to raise awareness about the important role of vaccines. To mark the week we've compiled on the extent to which Canadians have received a booster (at least three doses) compared with the US and Mexico as well as which ethnic and/or visible minorities have been boosted. See the highlights below:
- Canadians most likely to be boosted when compared to Americans and Mexicans
- Black, indigenous and religious minorities were least likely to get boosted
- Persons with higher levels of educational attainment were more likely to get boosted
- The findings arise from a survey conducted via web panel by Leger for the Association for Canadian Studies and the University of Manitoba during the middle of March 2022 with 2939 Canadians 18 years of age or older. A margin of error cannot be assigned because internet-based polls are not considered random.

# CANADIANS MOST LIKELY TO BE BOOSTED WHEN COMPARED TO AMERICANS AND MEXICANS

		Canada	United States	Mexico
Have you had the vaccine for COVID-19?	Yes	88.2%	73.4%	94.0%
	No	11.8%	26.6%	6.0%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	Canada	United States	Mexico
% Boosted	61%	37%	39%

		How many doses have you received?		
		Canada	United States	Mexico
How many doses have you received?	One dose/shot	1.2%	10.3%	5.5%
	Two doses/shots	29.4%	38.3%	52.6%
	Three doses/shots	69.4%	51.4%	41.9%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

# BLACK , INDIGENOUS AND RELIGIOUS MINORITIES WERE LEAST LIKELY TO GET BOOSTED

Percentage of Canadians by selected identity groups that have been booster (received at least three doses)								
	White	Arabic (Middle East, North Africa)	Black (African, African- American, etc.)	South Asian (Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)	Chinese	Filipino	Jewish	Indigenous
Boosted	61%	52%	38%	58%	71%	66%	52%	49%

# PERSONS WITH HIGHER LEVELS OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT WERE MORE LIKELY TO GET BOOSTED

	What is the highest level of education you have completed?				
	Less than high school	High school diploma	Trades certificate or diploma	College certificate or diploma	University certificate, diploma or degree
Boosted	31%	57.0%	60.0%	63.0%	67.0%

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