
HOW CANADIANS FEEL ABOUT PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE, QUEEN ELIZABETH AND THE MONARCHY?

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INTRODUCTION AND METHODOLOGY

When new Canadians take the oath of citizenship they must swear allegiance - say they will be “be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Canada, her Heirs and successors”. A majority (56%) disagree that Canadians should do this (many may be unaware that this a requirement for citizenship for new Canadians).

Canadians are evenly divided when asked whether they hold positive (40%) or negative (40%) views towards the economy (though only one in ten say they are very positive about the monarchy). Queen Elizabeth is viewed far more favorably by Canadians than the monarchy, with 58% saying they are positively disposed towards the Queen and 28% being negatively disposed.

The findings arise from a Leger survey for the ACS that was conducted between June 10 to June 12, 2022 via web panel with 2118 Canadians (oversample in this case resulted in approximately 1000 respondents). 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 2118 respondents would have a margin of error of $\pm 1.9\%$, 19 times out of 20

A CLEAR MAJORITY OF CANADIANS DO NOT AGREE WITH SWEARING ALLEGIANCE TO THE QUEEN

Do you agree with the following statement: As a Canadian we should all agree to be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Canada, her Heirs and successors.

	Total	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Atl.	QC	ON	MB/S K	AB	BC
Yes	27%	26%	28%	21%	26%	32%	28%	15%	33%	29%	29%	28%
No	56%	60%	52%	60%	58%	52%	49%	74%	49%	56%	47%	56%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	17%	14%	20%	19%	16%	16%	23%	11%	18%	16%	24%	16%

CANADIANS ARE DIVIDED WHEN ASKED ABOUT THEIR OPINION OF THE MONARCHY

In regards to the Monarchy - Do you have a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative view of the following:

	Total	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Atl.	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
TOTAL POSITIVE	40%	37%	42%	28%	35%	52%	35%	26%	44%	40%	46%	49%
Very positive	11%	12%	10%	8%	9%	15%	7%	6%	14%	12%	15%	10%
Somewhat positive	29%	25%	32%	20%	26%	36%	29%	20%	30%	27%	31%	39%
TOTAL NEGATIVE	40%	45%	34%	43%	40%	37%	43%	54%	35%	36%	36%	32%
Somewhat negative	24%	25%	23%	26%	25%	21%	19%	32%	22%	17%	21%	22%
Very negative	16%	21%	12%	17%	15%	16%	24%	23%	12%	18%	15%	11%
I don't know	20%	18%	23%	29%	25%	11%	22%	20%	21%	25%	18%	19%

A MAJORITY OF CANADIANS HAVE A POSITIVE OPINION OF QUEEN ELIZABETH

In regards to Queen Elizabeth II - Do you have a very positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative view of the following:

	Total	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Atl.	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
TOTAL POSITIVE	58%	54%	61%	46%	53%	69%	58%	40%	61%	58%	70%	67%
Very positive	20%	18%	23%	13%	14%	31%	16%	11%	23%	23%	24%	25%
Somewhat positive	37%	36%	39%	34%	40%	37%	41%	29%	38%	34%	45%	42%
TOTAL NEGATIVE	28%	32%	24%	33%	29%	24%	28%	44%	24%	28%	16%	21%
Somewhat negative	17%	19%	16%	19%	18%	16%	19%	27%	16%	16%	8%	14%
Very negative	11%	13%	8%	13%	11%	8%	8%	17%	8%	12%	9%	8%
I don't know	14%	14%	15%	21%	18%	7%	14%	15%	15%	15%	14%	11%

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