

# MAJORITIES THINK CANADIAN GOVERNMENTS, EMPLOYERS, AND INDIVIDUALS SHOULD DO MORE TO RECOGNIZE THE LEGACY OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

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71%

GOVERNMENTS

60%

EMPLOYERS

69%

INDIVIDUALS

...should do more to recognize the legacy of residential schools, the missing children, the families left behind and the survivors of these institutions.

More can be done to teach students about residential schools in my province



76%

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation should be marked via a statutory holiday by all provinces



64%

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation should be marked by all employers



64%

There will be meaningful reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in my lifetime



55%

The national anthem lyrics should change from "Our home and native land" to "Our home on native land"



41%

While over 6 in 10 think that the day should be marked by all provinces and employers, and that individuals can do more to recognize the legacy of residential schools, 1 in 4 (23%) will learn more about Indigenous

history in Canada or watch relevant documentaries/movies (17%), read an educational resource (15%) or speak about Indigenous history with friends or family). 38% do not plan to do anything to mark the day.

## IMPORTANCE OF DAY OF RECONCILIATION

58%

Of Canadians think it is important to have a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Women (62%) are more likely to say that it is important to mark this day, compared to men (54%), as are those aged 18-34 (72%), and 35-54 (57%) compared to those aged 55+ (49%).

30%

Think it is not important

Half of those in Quebec (50%) think it is important to mark this day, the lowest agreement among all regions,

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## ABOUT THE STUDY

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These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between September 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023, on behalf of Global News. For this survey, a sample of 1,500 Canadians aged 18+ was interviewed. Quotas and weighting were employed to ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the Canadian population according to census parameters. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll is accurate to within  $\pm 2.9$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20, had all Canadians aged 18+ been polled. The credibility interval will be wider among subsets of the population. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error.

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