EIGHT IN TEN CANADIANS (79%) WOULD SUPPORT THE EXPANSION OF VIRTUAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES PROVIDED BY FAMILY DOCTORS

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VIEWS ON HEALTH CARE

Canadians have low confidence that their provincial governments will reduce emergency room wait times. Compared to January 2023, a higher proportion would go to the United States to personally pay for more timely health care (+10 pts) or urgent care (+9 pts).

I support expansion of virtual care for services provided by a family doctor

I would support private health care for those who are able to afford it

I would support private delivery of publicly funded health services

The health care system needs more money through the introduction of new user fees or private health services

I would go to the United States and personally pay for more timely routine health care if I felt I needed it

I'm confident that if I needed to go to the Emergency Room, I would be seen in a timely manner

I'm confident that my provincial government will be able to reduce the wait times currently being experienced in hospital Emergency Rooms

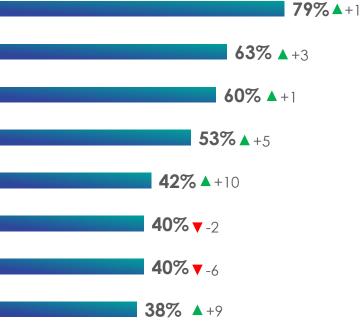
I would go to the United States and personally pay for urgent/emergency care

OPINIONS OF HEALTH CARE SPENDING

42%

The provinces should get more health care dollars from the federal government, and they should decide how to spend this money.

Four in ten Canadians believe that provinces should get more health care dollars from the federal government, and they should decide how to spend this money. Those in Quebec are more likely to agree (53%) compared to those living in Ontario (37%).



58%

The provinces should have to show the federal government a plan on how they will deliver better care to get more federal dollars.

Almost six in ten feel that provinces should have to show the federal government a plan on how they will deliver better care to get more federal dollars, with Ontarians (63%) more likely than those in Quebec (47%) to support this.



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