# MORE SEE MEASLES AS DANGEROUS THAN COVID-19, OVER ONE IN FIVE (23%) CANADIANS AFRAID TO TALK ABOUT VACCINES WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

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### MEASLES SEEN AS MORE DANGEROUS THAN COVID-19 AND FLU

In your opinion, how dangerous, if at all, are the following?

DANGEROUS

NOT DANGEROUS

DON'T KNOW



Three in four Canadians see measles as dangerous, while fewer say the same about COVID-19 or the flu.

## GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT VACCINES ARE SAFE PARTICULARLY FOR MEASLES AND FLU

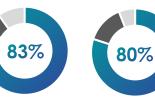
To the best of your knowledge, are the following vaccines safe or not?

SAFE

NOT SAFE

DON'T KNOW

THE MEASLES VACCINE



THE FLU COVID-19
VACCINE VACCINE



Even though those with kids in the household are less likely to think the COVID-19 vaccine is safe (58%) compared to those without (75%), both those with kids (80%) and without (85%) agree the measles vaccine is safe.

## "ANTI-VAX" MOVEMENT SEEN AS HARMFUL, BUT SOME STILL AFRAID TO TALK ABOUT VACCINES

69%

AGREE

The anti-vaccine movement will be responsible for a lot of people getting sick

**27%** AGREE

Humans don't need vaccines to build immunity

**23%** AGREE

I'm afraid to bring up the topic of vaccines with friends and family

The majority of Canadians agree that the anti-vaccine movement will be responsible for many people getting sick, but just over quarter think humans don't need vaccines to build immunity. Men (32%) are more likely

to think this than women (23%). Canadians aged 18-34 (29%) and 35-54 (26%) are more afraid to talk about vaccines with friends and family than those aged 55+ (17%).



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