

# 75% SAY GOVERNMENTS SHOULD DO MORE TO RECOGNIZE LEGACY OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS, RISING TO 86% AMONG ADULTS UNDER 35

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## RESPONSIBILITY LIES INCREASINGLY WITH GOVERNMENTS TO RECOGNIZE LEGACY



**75%**

+4 since 2023

GOVERNMENTS



**70%**

+1 since 2023

INDIVIDUALS



**64%**

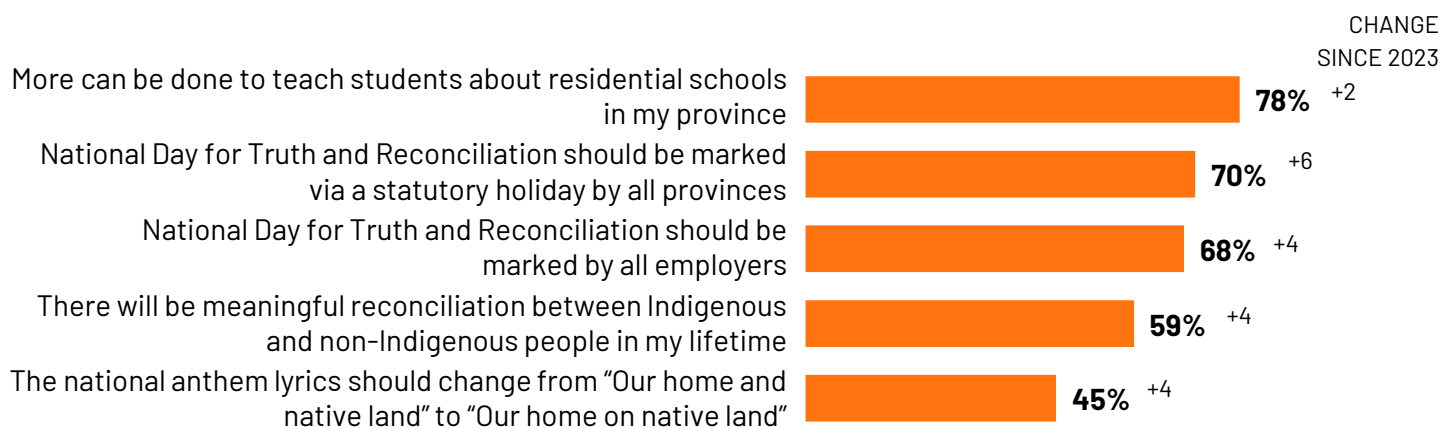
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EMPLOYERS

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

Over seven in ten (75%) say the government should do more to recognize the legacy of residential schools, with those aged 18-34 (86%) and 35-54 (77%) most likely to agree, and those aged 55+ least likely (65%). While 7 in 10 (70%) say individuals should do more, only 2 in 10 (23%) will wear an orange shirt or learn

more about Indigenous history in Canada (22%), and around 1 in 10 will watch relevant documentaries or movies (11%), discuss with friends/family (11%), attend events in person (11%) or read an educational resource (10%). Over a third (35%) planned none of these activities and 16% are unsure.



## IMPORTANCE OF DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION HIGHER AMONG YOUNG CANADIANS

**58%**

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

**30%**

Think it is not important

Almost 6 in 10 (58%) think it is important to have a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, rising to 7 in 10 (73%) among Canadians aged 18-34 compared to just over half (55%) of those aged 35-54 and just under half (49%) of those aged 55+.

Three in ten (30%) do not think it is important, higher among those without children (33% vs 23% with children) and males (36% vs 26% females), and 12% don't know if it is important or not.

# About This Study

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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 and 23, 2024, on behalf of Global News. For this survey, a sample of 1,000 Canadians aged 18+ was interviewed online. 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  $\pm 3.8$  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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