

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

I am embarrassed by the lack of knowledge that Canadians have about their history.

		REGION							AGE		
	Total	BC	AB	SK/MN	WEST	ON	QC	Atl	18-34	35-54	55+
Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Strongly agree	448	58	37	25	120	165	130	32	133	170	142
	45%	44%	42%	36%	41%	44%	52%	39%	39%	45%	52%
Somewhat agree	316	40	28	26	95	122	69	30	109	123	78
	31%	31%	31%	37%	33%	32%	28%	37%	32%	32%	29%
Somewhat disagree	157	18	17	14	49	56	38	15	64	61	32
	16%	14%	18%	19%	17%	15%	15%	18%	19%	16%	12%
Strongly disagree	67	12	7	5	24	28	11	4	29	21	16
	7%	9%	8%	7%	8%	7%	4%	5%	9%	5%	6%
(DK/NS)	15	2	1	1	4	8	3	1	2	5	6
	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
SUMMARY											
AGREE	763	98	66	51	215	286	200	62	242	293	220
	76%	75%	73%	73%	74%	76%	79%	76%	72%	77%	81%
DISAGREE	224	30	23	18	72	84	49	19	93	82	47
	22%	23%	26%	26%	25%	22%	19%	23%	28%	22%	17%

Canadian history is boring.

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Strongly agree	71	7	2	3	13	27	27	4	22	31	19
	7%	6%	3%	5%	5%	7%	11%	5%	6%	8%	7%
Somewhat agree	183	28	16	9	52	88	31	11	82	63	36
	18%	21%	17%	13%	18%	23%	12%	14%	24%	17%	13%
Somewhat disagree	211	26	22	16	64	73	59	16	75	80	54
	21%	20%	24%	23%	22%	19%	23%	19%	22%	21%	20%
Strongly disagree	531	69	50	42	161	187	133	50	158	205	161
	53%	53%	56%	59%	55%	49%	53%	62%	47%	54%	59%
(DK/NS)	5	1	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	1	3
	1%	1%	-	-	0	1%	0	-	0	0	1%
SUMMARY											
AGREE	254	35	18	12	66	115	58	15	103	94	55
	25%	27%	20%	18%	23%	30%	23%	19%	31%	25%	20%
DISAGREE	742	94	72	58	224	260	192	66	233	285	214
	74%	72%	80%	82%	77%	69%	76%	81%	69%	75%	79%

Which of the following statements best describes your attitude towards history when you were in school?

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
	Weighted	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
History was a subject I always tried to avoid.	87	21	8	4	33	39	12	3	34	32	21
	9%	16%	8%	6%	11%	10%	5%	4%	10%	8%	8%
History was my favourite subject.	346	33	30	22	85	135	95	31	117	115	111
	35%	25%	33%	32%	29%	36%	38%	38%	34%	30%	41%
History was a subject that I neither liked nor disliked.	554	73	52	43	168	199	141	46	186	226	133
	55%	56%	58%	61%	58%	53%	56%	57%	55%	60%	49%
(DK/NS)	15	4	1	1	6	5	4	1	1	7	7
	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0	2%	3%

Now, what is the highest level of Canadian history that you have studied?

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
	Weighted	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Elementary or grade school	76	9	5	4	18	27	27	4	7	25	44
	8%	7%	5%	6%	6%	7%	11%	5%	2%	7%	16%
High school	606	70	58	43	170	230	145	61	229	236	136
	61%	54%	64%	61%	58%	61%	58%	75%	68%	62%	50%
Community college or continuing education	118	18	6	6	30	43	40	5	35	46	34
	12%	14%	6%	9%	10%	11%	16%	6%	10%	12%	12%
University	163	23	18	16	57	66	28	11	59	58	43
	16%	18%	20%	23%	20%	17%	11%	14%	18%	15%	16%
(DO NOT READ: Have never taken a Canadian history course)	36	10	4	1	15	10	11	1	6	15	14
	4%	8%	4%	1%	5%	3%	4%	1%	2%	4%	5%
(DK/NS)	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
	0	-	1%	-	0	0	-	-	0	-	0

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: I would support a strong role for the federal government in setting national standards for teaching history.

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
	Weighted	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Strongly agree	429	54	36	29	119	170	99	42	127	163	134
	43%	42%	40%	41%	41%	45%	39%	52%	37%	43%	49%
Somewhat agree	382	51	39	25	114	143	94	31	146	151	82
	38%	39%	43%	35%	39%	38%	37%	38%	43%	40%	30%
Somewhat disagree	93	10	10	10	30	33	26	4	38	30	22
	9%	8%	11%	14%	10%	9%	10%	5%	11%	8%	8%
Strongly disagree	88	16	5	6	26	27	31	3	24	31	33
	9%	12%	5%	8%	9%	7%	13%	4%	7%	8%	12%
(DK/NS)	10	0	1	1	2	5	2	1	3	4	3
	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
SUMMARY											
AGREE	811	105	75	53	233	313	192	73	273	314	216
	81%	81%	83%	76%	80%	83%	76%	90%	81%	83%	79%
DISAGREE	181	25	15	15	56	60	58	7	62	61	54
	18%	19%	16%	22%	19%	16%	23%	9%	18%	16%	20%

How important would you say it is for students across Canada to acquire the same body of historical knowledge and facts about Canada?

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
	Weighted	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Very important	763	101	70	56	227	293	177	66	239	287	229
	76%	77%	78%	80%	78%	77%	70%	81%	71%	76%	84%
Somewhat important	196	27	15	11	52	72	58	13	81	76	37
	20%	20%	17%	15%	18%	19%	23%	16%	24%	20%	13%
Not very important	30	1	3	4	8	10	9	3	15	10	4
	3%	1%	4%	5%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	1%
Not at all important	12	2	1	0	2	3	7	0	3	5	4
	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	3%	-	1%	1%	1%
(DK/NS)	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	0	-	1%	-	0	-	-	-	-	0	-
SUMMARY											
IMPORTANT	959	128	85	67	280	365	236	79	320	363	265
	96%	98%	94%	95%	96%	97%	94%	97%	95%	96%	97%
NOT IMPORTANT	42	3	4	4	11	13	16	3	18	15	8
	4%	2%	5%	5%	4%	3%	6%	3%	5%	4%	3%

Which of these two opinions is closer to your own?

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
	Weighted	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
National standards for teaching Canadian history are a BAD idea	176	19	11	11	41	68	56	10	79	57	38
	18%	14%	13%	16%	14%	18%	22%	12%	23%	15%	14%
National standards for teaching Canadian history are a GOOD idea	801	107	79	57	243	304	185	69	256	311	224
	80%	82%	87%	81%	84%	80%	74%	85%	76%	82%	82%
(DK/NS)	25	5	0	2	7	6	11	2	3	11	11
	2%	4%	-	3%	2%	2%	4%	2%	1%	3%	4%

Assuming the provinces agree to national standards for teaching Canadian history, what percentage of each province's curriculum should be common across the country?

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
NONE	4 0	0 -	0 -	0 -	0 -	2 1%	1 0	0 -	1 0	2 1%	0 -
1 to 10%	81 8%	16 12%	6 7%	5 7%	27 9%	28 7%	17 7%	9 11%	27 8%	30 8%	20 7%
11 to 20%	61 6%	12 9%	2 3%	6 8%	20 7%	33 9%	6 2%	3 3%	21 6%	21 5%	19 7%
21 to 30%	72 7%	8 6%	6 7%	7 10%	21 7%	23 6%	23 9%	5 6%	25 7%	31 8%	16 6%
31 to 40%	40 4%	4 3%	2 2%	3 4%	8 3%	11 3%	17 7%	3 4%	19 6%	14 4%	7 3%
41 to 50%	166 17%	20 16%	14 16%	13 19%	48 16%	54 14%	45 18%	20 24%	55 16%	61 16%	47 17%
51 to 60%	53 5%	7 5%	8 9%	1 2%	16 6%	15 4%	18 7%	3 3%	21 6%	20 5%	12 4%
61 to 70%	68 7%	6 5%	9 10%	4 6%	19 7%	30 8%	14 5%	5 6%	28 8%	23 6%	17 6%
71 to 80%	187 19%	30 23%	18 20%	13 18%	61 21%	77 20%	40 16%	10 13%	74 22%	69 18%	42 15%
81 to 90%	48 5%	6 5%	6 6%	3 4%	15 5%	18 5%	14 5%	1 1%	17 5%	23 6%	7 2%
91 to 100%	167 17%	19 15%	16 18%	12 17%	47 16%	62 16%	44 17%	14 17%	41 12%	66 17%	58 21%
(DK/NS)	56 6%	3 2%	4 4%	3 4%	9 3%	24 6%	14 5%	9 11%	9 3%	19 5%	27 10%
Summary											
Mean	60.2	58.0	65.0	58.7	60.3	60.4	60.7	56.8	58.8	60.8	61.5
Standard Deviation	29.4	30.4	27.3	29.9	29.4	29.8	28.6	29.8	28.0	29.8	30.3
Standard Error	1.0	2.5	2.8	3.0	1.6	1.8	1.9	3.2	1.6	1.5	2.0
Median	59.7	58.3	67.4	50.0	63.6	66.7	57.6	48.1	59.0	65.0	62.3

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: High school students should be required to take at least two Canadian history courses.

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Strongly agree	543 54%	66 50%	52 58%	33 46%	150 52%	201 53%	148 59%	43 53%	178 53%	199 53%	160 59%
Somewhat agree	291 29%	42 32%	29 32%	20 28%	91 31%	102 27%	75 30%	23 28%	94 28%	114 30%	77 28%
Somewhat disagree	110 11%	13 10%	9 10%	11 15%	32 11%	49 13%	17 7%	11 14%	47 14%	46 12%	17 6%
Strongly disagree	51 5%	9 7%	0 -	6 8%	15 5%	23 6%	10 4%	2 3%	18 5%	19 5%	13 5%
(DK/NS)	8 1%	1 1%	0 -	2 2%	3 1%	3 1%	1 0	1 2%	1 0	1 0	6 2%
SUMMARY											
AGREE	834 83%	108 82%	81 90%	53 75%	241 83%	303 80%	223 89%	66 81%	272 80%	314 83%	237 87%
DISAGREE	161 16%	22 17%	9 10%	16 23%	47 16%	72 19%	27 11%	14 17%	65 19%	65 17%	30 11%

Generally speaking, would you support or oppose your province introducing mandatory testing for history and social studies? (Would that be strongly or somewhat?)

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Strongly support	403	58	37	25	120	139	118	26	134	148	114
	40%	45%	41%	35%	41%	37%	47%	32%	40%	39%	42%
Somewhat support	329	50	35	26	111	102	85	32	104	139	86
	33%	38%	39%	37%	38%	27%	34%	39%	31%	37%	31%
Somewhat oppose	138	14	8	9	31	69	27	11	61	48	27
	14%	11%	9%	13%	11%	18%	11%	14%	18%	13%	10%
Strongly oppose	118	8	9	9	25	63	20	10	34	42	39
	12%	6%	10%	13%	9%	17%	8%	12%	10%	11%	14%
(DK/NS)	14	1	1	2	4	6	2	2	5	2	6
	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
SUMMARY											
SUPPORT	732	109	72	50	231	240	203	58	238	286	200
	73%	83%	80%	71%	79%	64%	81%	71%	70%	75%	73%
OPPOSE	256	21	17	18	56	131	47	21	95	91	67
	26%	16%	19%	26%	19%	35%	19%	26%	28%	24%	24%

Which ONE historical event do you feel is MOST important to teach Canadian students about?

	Total	REGION							AGE		
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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Confederation (how Canada became a country)	273	41	33	21	95	109	43	26	97	104	67
	27%	31%	37%	30%	33%	29%	17%	32%	29%	27%	24%
World Wars I & II/ Canada's involvement in war	122	17	11	10	38	68	6	10	49	39	34
	12%	13%	12%	14%	13%	18%	2%	12%	15%	10%	13%
Canadian independence (Constitution, BNA act etc.)	66	9	7	3	20	28	16	3	17	24	24
	7%	7%	8%	5%	7%	7%	6%	3%	5%	6%	9%
British conquest of Canada (Plains of Abraham)	52	4	4	3	12	15	21	3	13	20	19
	5%	3%	5%	5%	4%	4%	8%	4%	4%	5%	7%
The discovery of Canada	46	2	1	1	4	7	33	2	21	18	7
	5%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	13%	3%	6%	5%	3%
Canadian history/ heritage	36	5	1	4	9	8	16	3	5	19	12
	4%	3%	1%	6%	3%	2%	6%	3%	1%	5%	4%
Aboriginal history/ issues	32	7	3	3	13	11	8	1	15	10	7
	3%	5%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	2%
Colonization/ immigration/ settlement	31	4	5	1	10	5	14	2	13	10	8
	3%	3%	5%	2%	4%	1%	5%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Canadian government	29	4	4	1	10	9	8	1	8	13	7
	3%	3%	5%	2%	4%	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	3%
War against the Americans/ War of 1812	25	1	2	2	5	15	3	1	10	5	9
	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	4%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%
Quebec Nationalism	23	1	3	1	4	5	13	1	10	7	6
	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	5%	1%	3%	2%	2%
Canadian railway	12	5	1	1	7	2	0	3	5	4	3
	1%	4%	1%	1%	2%	1%	-	3%	2%	1%	1%
Other	76	14	1	9	24	23	20	9	24	34	17
	8%	11%	1%	13%	8%	6%	8%	11%	7%	9%	6%
Nothing	10	2	1	0	3	0	7	0	2	4	3
	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	-	3%	-	1%	1%	1%
(DK/NS)	169	14	13	10	37	72	44	16	49	69	50
	17%	11%	14%	14%	13%	19%	17%	20%	15%	18%	18%

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with the following statement: Studying history is not as important as studying math and science.

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Base: All respondents	1002	150	100	100	350	300	252	100	298	435	255
Weighted	1002	131	90	70	291	378	252	81	338	380	273
Strongly agree	184	18	10	9	37	84	48	16	54	70	57
	18%	14%	11%	13%	13%	22%	19%	19%	16%	18%	21%
Somewhat agree	208	22	16	15	53	88	51	16	63	81	62
	21%	17%	17%	21%	18%	23%	20%	19%	19%	21%	23%
Somewhat disagree	271	37	33	23	94	94	62	21	103	101	63
	27%	29%	36%	33%	32%	25%	25%	26%	30%	27%	23%
Strongly disagree	335	53	31	22	106	109	91	29	117	127	88
	33%	41%	34%	31%	36%	29%	36%	35%	34%	33%	32%
(DK/NS)	4	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	2	0	2
	0	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%
SUMMARY											
AGREE	392	40	26	24	90	172	99	31	117	151	119
	39%	31%	28%	34%	31%	46%	39%	39%	34%	40%	44%
DISAGREE	606	91	64	45	200	203	153	50	219	228	152
	60%	69%	71%	65%	69%	54%	61%	61%	65%	60%	56%