

Gun Registry

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Base: All Respondents										
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Weighted Base	1004	852	152	102*	192	347	351	160	277	436
More safe	230 23%	184 22%	46 30% A	26 26%	43 22%	88 25%	68 20%	35 22%	66 24%	108 25%
Less safe	503 50%	440 52% B	63 41%	53 52%	105 55% F	185 53% F	155 44%	87 54%	126 45%	221 51%
No more or less safe	207 21%	172 20%	35 23%	17 17%	31 16%	51 15%	107 31% CDE	24 15%	67 24% G	95 22%
Don't know/Refused	63 6%	55 6%	8 5%	5 5%	14 7%	23 7%	20 6%	15 9% I	18 6% I	12 3%

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2. What do you think is the primary cause of violence in public schools in Canada?

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TOTAL MENTIONS										
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Parenting is poor/lenient/absent	349 35%	295 35%	53 35%	21 21%	60 31%	137 40%	127 36%	42 26%	90 33%	173 40%
Kids' lack of morals/conscience/respect	234 23%	189 22%	46 30%	26 25%	52 27%	89 26%	66 19%	34 21%	71 26%	104 24%
Television/Media violence	232 23%	192 23%	40 26%	24 24%	41 21%	83 24%	79 23%	43 27%	52 19%	105 24%
Drugs	163 16%	128 15%	35 23%	23 22%	49 26%	44 13%	44 13%	36 22%	53 19%	60 14%
Gangs	147 15%	131 15%	16 11%	17 16%	22 11%	49 14%	58 16%	16 10%	42 15%	66 15%
Anything else I did not mention (specify)	143 14%	123 14%	21 13%	19 19%	25 13%	39 11%	58 17%	25 16%	36 13%	58 13%
Young Offenders' Act/Lenient justice system	114 11%	96 11%	18 12%	10 10%	23 12%	41 12%	40 11%	20 12%	34 12%	46 11%
Peer pressure	111 11%	99 12%	12 8%	9 9%	18 10%	48 14%	33 9%	16 10%	35 13%	42 10%
Poverty	110 11%	100 12%	10 6%	9 9%	16 9%	34 10%	48 14%	14 9%	25 9%	60 14%
Availability of guns	108 11%	94 11%	14 10%	10 9%	29 15%	27 8%	42 12%	18 11%	39 14%	39 9%
Schools/Teachers are lenient	92 9%	73 9%	19 13%	4 4%	21 11%	33 9%	33 9%	8 5%	26 9%	46 11%
Immigrants/blacks/minorities	32 3%	27 3%	5 3%	4 4%	6 3%	12 4%	9 3%	5 3%	9 3%	15 4%
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Too harsh	28 3%	25 3%	3 2%	6 6% E	7 4%	7 2%	8 2%	10 6% HI	5 2%	10 2%
About right	419 42%	349 41%	70 46%	33 32%	76 40%	143 41%	162 46% C	60 37%	115 42%	197 45%
Don't know/Refused	110 11%	94 11%	16 10%	11 11%	17 9%	34 10%	42 12%	18 11%	22 8%	34 8%

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A hand gun registry AND a long gun registry	652	570	82	54	125	221	244	114	191	268
	65%	67% B	54%	53%	65%	64%	70% C	71% I	69%	61%
A hand gun registry but NOT require people to register their long guns at all	303	239	64	37	59	110	96	37	78	148
	30%	28%	42% A	36%	31%	32%	27%	23%	28%	34% G
Don't know/Refused	48	43	6	12	8	16	11	9	8	20
	5%	5%	4%	11% DEF	4%	5%	3%	6%	3%	4%

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	59%	58%	63%	38%	61% C	59% C	62% C	49%	59% G	63% G
If a person is caught with the possession of a non-registered handgun they should be subjected to an automatic minimum sentence of 10 years regardless of age	379	328	51	53	72	133	122	75	103	157
	38%	39%	34%	52% DEF	38%	38%	35%	47% I	37%	36%
Don't know/Refused	35	30	5	10	3	9	10	7	9	5
	3%	3%	4%	10% DEF	2%	3%	3%	4% I	3%	1%