

SAFE INJECTIONS

3. Now to another topic. What's called a 'safe-injection site' currently operates in Vancouver where drug addicts can go to inject themselves with illegal narcotics in a controlled and monitored setting using clean needles and tools supplied by the facility. This is a legal site under an exemption to the federal drug law. Experts and panels have concluded that this type of centre saves lives. Do you think this type of centre in major urban cities like Vancouver is a good thing or a bad thing?

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	TOTAL	BC	ALB	SK/MN	ONT	QUE	ATL	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
Base: All Respondents												
Unweighted Base	1000	131	104	65	380	250	70	211	446	335	485	515
Weighted Base	1000	132*	102*	65*	383	244	74*	279	386	324	484	516
Good thing	550 55%	72 54%	59 58%	29 45%	188 49%	162 66% ACD	41 55%	160 57%	228 59% I	157 48%	252 52%	298 58%
Bad thing	399 40%	51 38%	36 35%	33 51% E	176 46% E	75 31%	27 37%	106 38%	148 38%	140 43%	216 45% K	183 35%
Don't know/Refused	51 5%	9 7%	7 7%	3 4%	19 5%	7 3%	6 8%	13 5%	9 2%	27 8% H	15 3%	36 7% J

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4. Now, Canadian Health Minister Tony Clement has recently said that 'supervised injection is not medicine', and that the centre's exemption to the federal drug law should not be renewed when it expires on June 30, 2008. Do you think that the safe-injection site that operates in Vancouver should be permitted to remain open past June 30 by extending the federal drug law exemption, or should no extension to the exemption be sought and the facility closed down when its exemption to the federal drug law expires at the end of the month?

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Extend exemption and keep it open	541 54%	77 58%	56 55%	33 51%	182 48%	153 63%	40 54%	162 58%	216 56%	158 49%	248 51%	293 57%
No exemption and close it down	413 41%	48 36%	42 41%	31 48%	183 48%	79 32%	29 40%	104 37%	158 41%	145 45%	220 45%	193 37%
Don't know/Refused	46 5%	7 5%	4 4%	1 1%	18 5%	12 5%	4 6%	13 5%	12 3%	21 7%	16 3%	30 6%

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5. Do you think that the safe-injection site, which currently operates in Vancouver, should be expanded to other major cities in Canada?

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Yes	496	67	52	30	164	142	41	159	194	136	232	264
	50%	51%	51%	46%	43%	58%	55%	57%	50%	42%	48%	51%
No	457	52	46	33	203	91	32	109	178	164	235	222
	46%	39%	45%	51%	53%	37%	43%	39%	46%	51%	49%	43%
Don't know/Refused	47	14	3	2	16	11	1	11	13	23	17	30
	5%	10%	3%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	7%	3%	6%