

1. How important do you consider the issue of protecting Canada's endangered animals and plants?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Very important	644	206	306	501	142
	64%	64%	63%	65%	62%
Somewhat important	331	104	167	249	83
	33%	32%	34%	32%	36%
Somewhat unimportant	21	11	8	17	4
	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Not at all important	9	2	4	9	0
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-
<b>Summary</b>					
Top2Box (Important)	975	310	472	750	225
	97%	96%	98%	97%	98%
Low2Box (Unimportant)	30	13	12	26	4
	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

2. Did you know that Canada has a Species at Risk Act, which is designed to protect and recover endangered species? Can you name any of these species in Canada?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Yes (Net)	618	200	288	466	152
	61%	62%	60%	60%	66%
Yes, and I can name some species that are at risk	227	70	95	172	55
	23%	22%	20%	22%	24%
Yes, but I can't name any species at risk	391	130	193	294	97
	39%	40%	40%	38%	43%
No	387	123	196	310	77
	39%	38%	40%	40%	34%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

3. Do you think the federal government is doing enough, too little or too much when it comes to ensuring the survival of Canada's species at risk?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
The federal government is doing too little and should strengthen and better enforce Canada's endangered species laws.	619	183	319	480	139
	62%	57%	66%	62%	61%
			A		
The federal government is doing enough and is effectively protecting species at risk with tools like the Species at Risk Act.	344	127	147	263	81
	34%	39%	30%	34%	35%
		B			
The federal government is doing too much and should step back so that others, including municipal and provincial governments, private industry and non-profit organizations, can play a larger role in protecting species at risk	42	14	18	33	9
	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

4. Currently the federal government annually spends approximately 73 cents per Canadian on protecting endangered wildlife. Some people think that the government is investing too many tax dollars in this effort, while others think that the government should be spending more. Which of the following statements best reflects your view?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
The government invests too little and should invest more in species at risk protection	484	131	249	377	108
	48%	40%	51%	49%	47%
			A		
The current level of investment is adequate to ensure that species at risk are protected	439	157	201	338	100
	44%	49%	42%	44%	44%
The government invests too much in species at risk protection and should reduce this amount	82	35	34	61	21
	8%	11%	7%	8%	9%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

5. All of the following organizations have a role to play with respect to protecting species at risk in Canada. In your opinion, who should bear the primary responsibility and lead role of protecting and recovering Canada's species at risk?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
The federal government	526	158	259	422	104
	52%	49%	54%	54%	45%
The provincial and territorial governments	239	78	112	175	64
	24%	24%	23%	23%	28%
Municipal governments	29	11	14	24	5
	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%
Private business and industry	43	16	20	31	12
	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%
Environmental non-governmental organizations	168	60	79	123	45
	17%	19%	16%	16%	20%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

6. In decisions regarding species at risk in Canada, the government currently weighs scientific advice as well as economic considerations. In light of this, which of the following statements best reflects your views?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Scientific (Net)	773	243	376	579	194
	77%	75%	78%	75%	85%
					C
Scientific advice is the most important factor and economic considerations do not need to be considered	146	37	75	96	50
	15%	11%	16%	12%	22%
					C
Scientific advice is the most important factor, but economic considerations should carry some weight	628	206	300	484	144
	62%	64%	62%	62%	63%
Economic (Net)	232	80	108	197	35
	23%	25%	22%	25%	15%
				D	
Economic considerations are most important, but scientific advice should carry some weight	216	74	101	185	31
	21%	23%	21%	24%	14%
				D	
Economic considerations are most important and scientific advice does not need to be considered	16	6	7	12	4
	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

7. In your opinion, is it acceptable to restrict the activities of business and industry that are a threat to species at risk?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Yes, business and industry should only operate in a way that does not harm species at risk	745	240	365	574	172
	74%	74%	75%	74%	75%
Yes, but it can be acceptable for business activities to impact species at risk if the economic benefits are valuable enough	225	70	101	176	49
	22%	22%	21%	23%	22%
No, business and industry should not be restricted by the need to protect species at risk	35	13	18	27	8
	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

8. Some people think that federal laws protecting species at risk slow down industrial development, negatively impacting our economy and reducing job growth. Others think that federal laws protecting species at risk are crucial to the diversity and abundance of wildlife, which in turn are crucial to our economy and health. Which of the following statements best reflects your views?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Federal laws protecting species at risk slow down industrial development, negatively impacting our economy and reducing job growth	148	53	68	123	25
	15%	16%	14%	16%	11%
Federal laws protecting species at risk are crucial to the diversity and abundance of wildlife, which in turn are crucial to our economy and health	857	270	416	653	204
	85%	84%	86%	84%	89%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.



9. Recognizing that endangered species are found throughout Canada and across many jurisdictions, which of the following best reflects your opinion?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Federal laws protecting species at risk should only apply to species found on lands and waters under federal jurisdiction	82 8%	26 8%	39 8%	56 7%	26 11%
Federal laws protecting species at risk should apply to species found on all public lands and waters, whether these are federal, provincial or municipal	334 33%	107 33%	164 34%	238 31%	96 42%
					C
Federal laws protecting species at risk should apply to all species at risk in Canada, including those found on both publicly and privately owned lands and waters	589 59%	190 59%	281 58%	482 62%	108 47%
				D	

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

10\_1. [Canada should be responsible for all species at risk within our borders, regardless of whether or not they also live in the United States] Some species are rare and at risk of disappearing from Canada because this is the northern limit of where they can live, with most of their population occurring in the United States. In light of this, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
<b>Canada should be responsible for all species at risk within our borders, regardless of whether or not they also live in the United States</b>					
Strongly agree	458	139	218	379	79
	46%	43%	45%	49%	34%
				D	
Somewhat agree	318	103	166	230	88
	32%	32%	34%	30%	38%
				C	
Neither agree nor disagree	161	61	70	112	49
	16%	19%	14%	14%	21%
				C	
Somewhat disagree	36	10	16	29	7
	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Strongly disagree	32	10	13	25	7
	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
<b>Summary</b>					
Top2Box (Agree)	777	242	385	610	167
	77%	75%	79%	79%	73%
Low2Box (Disagree)	68	21	29	54	13
	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

10\_2. [Canada should be responsible for species at risk in their Canadian range, even if they are common in the United States, because they are an important part of our natural heritage] Some species are rare and at risk of disappearing from Canada because this is the northern limit of where they can live, with most of their population occurring in the United States. In light of this, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
<b>Canada should be responsible for species at risk in their Canadian range, even if they are common in the United States, because they are an important part of our natural heritage</b>					
Strongly agree	446	146	210	359	87
	44%	45%	43%	46%	38%
Somewhat agree	335	104	169	247	88
	33%	32%	35%	32%	38%
Neither agree nor disagree	157	58	66	118	39
	16%	18%	14%	15%	17%
Somewhat disagree	43	8	26	33	10
	4%	2%	5%	4%	4%
Strongly disagree	24	7	14	19	5
	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
<b>Summary</b>					
Top2Box (Agree)	781	250	379	606	175
	78%	77%	78%	78%	76%
Low2Box (Disagree)	67	15	40	52	16
	7%	4%	8%	7%	7%
			A		

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

10\_3. [If a species is at risk of disappearing from Canada, but is common elsewhere (e.g. in the United States), there is no need for the Canadian government to protect it] Some species are rare and at risk of disappearing from Canada because this is the northern limit of where they can live, with most of their population occurring in the United States. In light of this, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
<b>If a species is at risk of disappearing from Canada, but is common elsewhere (e.g. in the United States), there is no need for the Canadian government to protect it</b>					
Strongly agree	48	11	25	40	8
	5%	3%	5%	5%	4%
Somewhat agree	112	41	47	91	21
	11%	13%	10%	12%	9%
Neither agree nor disagree	214	71	101	150	65
	21%	22%	21%	19%	28%
Somewhat disagree	277	96	132	209	68
	28%	30%	27%	27%	30%
Strongly disagree	354	104	178	286	67
	35%	32%	37%	37%	29%
<b>Summary</b>					
Top2Box (Agree)	160	53	72	131	29
	16%	16%	15%	17%	13%
Low2Box (Disagree)	631	199	310	495	135
	63%	62%	64%	64%	59%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

10. [SUMMARY - TOP2BOX (AGREE)] Some species are rare and at risk of disappearing from Canada because this is the northern limit of where they can live, with most of their population occurring in the United States. In light of this, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Canada should be responsible for species at risk in their Canadian range, even if they are common in the United States, because they are an important part of our natural heritage	781	250	379	606	175
	78%	77%	78%	78%	76%
Canada should be responsible for all species at risk within our borders, regardless of whether or not they also live in the United States	777	242	385	610	167
	77%	75%	79%	79%	73%
If a species is at risk of disappearing from Canada, but is common elsewhere (e.g. in the United States), there is no need for the Canadian government to protect it	160	53	72	131	29
	16%	16%	15%	17%	13%

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

10. [SUMMARY - LOW2BOX (DISAGREE)] Some species are rare and at risk of disappearing from Canada because this is the northern limit of where they can live, with most of their population occurring in the United States. In light of this, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
If a species is at risk of disappearing from Canada, but is common elsewhere (e.g. in the United States), there is no need for the Canadian government to protect it	631	199	310	495	135
	63%	62%	64%	64%	59%
Canada should be responsible for all species at risk within our borders, regardless of whether or not they also live in the United States	68	21	29	54	13
	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%
Canada should be responsible for species at risk in their Canadian range, even if they are common in the United States, because they are an important part of our natural heritage	67	15	40	52	16
	7%	4%	8%	7%	7%
			A		

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.

11. Some people say that providing incentives to property owners would help protect species at risk by minimizing the impact of species protection laws on landowners. Others say that resources would be better used in other ways to protect species at risk, and that landowners have a responsibility to help without incentives. Which of the following best reflects your opinion? Please choose only one.

	Total	Rural	Urban	English	French
		A	B	C	D
Base: All Respondents	1005	338	474	774	231
Weighted	1005	323	484	776	229
Incentives would help species at risk and the government should more actively pursue this avenue	523	158	264	429	94
	52%	49%	55%	55%	41%
				D	
Resources are better used in other ways to effectively protect species at risk	482	165	220	347	135
	48%	51%	45%	45%	59%
					C

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/B - C/D Overlap formulae used.