

Questionnaire

Note: These questions were part of a more extensive questionnaire

Q1

In the last few months, have you experienced or seen any hate or racism online such as offensive name calling, content inciting violence, sexism, homophobia, physical threats or sexual harassment?

- Yes, you have experienced it..... 1
- Yes, you have seen it 2
- No, you have not experienced any hate or racism online 3
- Do not use the internet..... 4
- Skip..... 99

Q2

How big of a problem do you think online hate and online racism is in Canada? Please use a 7-point scale, where 1 means not a problem at all, 7 means a very large problem and the midpoint, 4 means a moderate problem.

- 1 Not a problem at all 1
- 2 2
- 3 3
- 4 Moderate problem..... 4
- 5 5
- 6 6
- 7 Very large problem 7
- Skip..... 99

Q3A

How much do you support or oppose the Government of Canada doing the following to combat hateful and racist content and behaviour online? First, require social media companies to remove racist or hateful content within 24 or 48 hours of it being posted, or face fines.

- Strongly oppose 1
- Somewhat oppose 2
- Somewhat support 3
- Strongly support 4
- Skip..... 99

Q3B

Next, require social media companies to remove users who repeatedly share racist or hateful content on their platforms.

Strongly oppose 1
Somewhat oppose 2
Somewhat support 3
Strongly support 4
Skip..... 99

Q3C

Next, create an independent oversight body to make sure large social platforms are following the law.

Strongly oppose 1
Somewhat oppose 2
Somewhat support 3
Strongly support 4
Skip..... 99

Q3D

Next, strengthen laws to hold social media companies accountable for what appears on their platforms.

Strongly oppose 1
Somewhat oppose 2
Somewhat support 3
Strongly support 4
Skip..... 99

Q3E

And finally, strengthen laws to hold perpetrators accountable for what they say, share, and do online.

Strongly oppose 1
Somewhat oppose 2
Somewhat support 3
Strongly support 4
Skip..... 99

Q4A

Critics of online hate legislation say that rules against online hate are an attack on free speech and that social media companies will remove legitimate content to avoid being fined. To what extent do you agree or disagree that requiring social media platforms to remove online hate and racism infringes upon the public's right to free speech? Please use a 7-point scale where 1 means strongly disagree, 2 means disagree, 3 means slightly disagree, 4 means neither agree nor disagree, 5 means slightly agree, 6 means agree, and 7 means strongly agree.

1 Strongly disagree	1
2 Disagree	2
3 Slightly disagree	3
4 Neither agree nor disagree	4
5 Slightly agree.....	5
6 Agree	6
7 Strongly agree.....	7
Skip.....	99

Q4B

Proponents of online hate legislation say that racism, harassment, and threats make it harder for women, people of colour and others to use their free speech and that removing hate speech from social media is good for everyone's free speech because it protects the free speech of the public from those with hateful or racist views. To what extent do you agree or disagree that requiring social media platforms to remove online hate and racism protects the public's right to free speech? Please use a 7-point scale where 1 means strongly disagree, 2 means disagree, 3 means slightly disagree, 4 means neither agree nor disagree, 5 means slightly agree, 6 means agree, and 7 means strongly agree.

1 Strongly disagree	1
2 Disagree	2
3 Slightly disagree	3
4 Neither agree nor disagree	4
5 Slightly agree.....	5
6 Agree	6
7 Strongly agree.....	7
Skip.....	99

VOTE A

If a federal election were held tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

Liberal Party	1
Conservative Party.....	2
New Democratic Party.....	3
Green Party	4
People's Party.....	5
Bloc Quebecois.....	6
Another party not listed here	7
Undecided or not eligible to vote.....	8
Skip.....	99

VOTEB (if VOTE A=8)

Even if you do not have a firm idea, are you leaning towards a party?

Yes.....	1
No.....	2
Not eligible to vote.....	3
Skip.....	99

VOTEC (if VOTE B=1)

As it stands, towards which party are you leaning?

Liberal Party.....	1
Conservative Party.....	2
New Democratic Party.....	3
Green Party.....	4
People's Party.....	5
Bloc Quebecois.....	6
Another party not listed here.....	7
Undecided.....	8
Skip.....	99

QGENDR

What is your gender?

Male.....	1
Female.....	2
Other.....	3
Skip.....	99

QAGE

In which age group do you belong?

Under 35.....	1
35-49.....	2
50-64.....	3
65 or older.....	4
Skip.....	99

QEDUC

What is the highest level of education you have completed?

High school or less.....	1
College or CEGEP.....	2
University.....	3
Skip.....	99