

Canadians' opinions on being able to have the number of children they want and childcare

CARDUS Fertility Intentions Summary
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> *Canadians would like to have more children than they are actually having*

On average Canadians report that they would like to have more than two children, but say that society is doing an average job of promoting having the desired number of children. They also note that the number one challenge to having the ideal number of children is cost.

- **Half of Canadians say it is very important for their personal aspirations to have as many children as they want** – Half of Canadians (50%) feel that being able to have the number of children they want is very important to their personal aspirations. Twenty-two percent feel that this is of average importance., while twenty-three percent feel that being able to have the number of children they want is not at all important to their personal aspirations. Five percent are unsure. On average, Canadians rate the importance of having the desired number of children as 6.69 on a scale of 10.
- **Just over two fifths of Canadians think society is doing a very good job at promoting having the desired number of children** – Canadians rate the job that society is doing in promoting being able to have the ideal number of children as 7.18 out of 10, on average. Just over four in ten Canadians (44%) feel that society is doing a very good job at promoting being able to have the number of children they want, while 35% feel that society is doing an average job in this respect. Nine percent of Canadians feel that society is doing a poor job of promoting having the ideal number of children. Twelve percent are unsure.
- **The majority of respondents have had children in the past** – The majority of respondents (72%) have had children in the past, while 11% are neither interested in having children nor had children. Seven percent of Canadians have no children and are interested currently. Six percent of Canadians have been interested in having children in the past, but have none currently. Three percent prefer not to answer.

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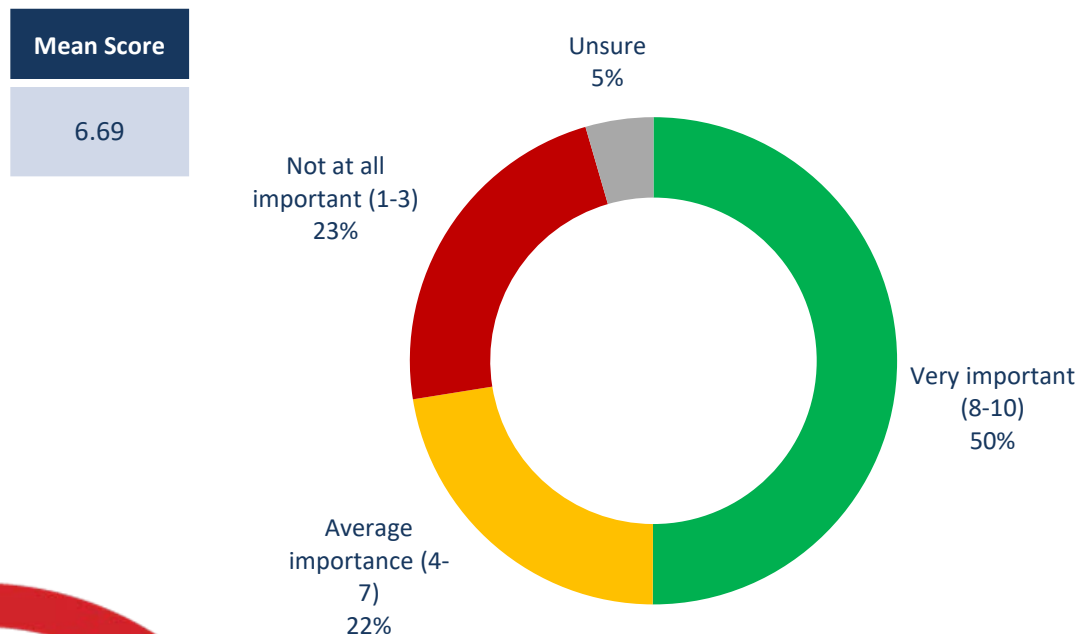
> *Canadians would like to have more children than they are actually having*

- **The majority of respondents are satisfied with the number of children they have had** – On average respondents have had 2.27 children. More than nine in ten Canadians with children are satisfied (77%) or somewhat satisfied (16%) with the number of children they have had. Four percent are somewhat dissatisfied, while two percent are dissatisfied with the number of children they have had. One percent are unsure.
- **Canadians from different regions, with different ages and genders report wanting more than two children** – Canadians reported ideally wanting 2.76 children on average.
- **Many Canadians with children feel that the biggest challenge to having their ideal number of children is cost** – A little less than one in three (29%) Canadians with children feel that the number one challenge for them in terms of having the number of children they want is cost/affordability/their income. Seventeen percent say they have no challenges, while seven percent cite their age and six percent cite infertility/health issues.
- **Canadians with children feel that the government should provide cash payments directly to parents to choose any form of childcare they deem best** – A quarter (25%) of Canadians with children feel that the government should provide cash payments directly to parents who could choose any form of childcare they deem best, including having a parent stay home, while 16% feel the government should change the tax system to provide all parents with a child tax deduction whether they work or stay at home. Fifteen percent feel that the government should provide subsidies to child care centres to improve quality and/or create more spaces and fifteen percent feel that the government should expand the public school system to include younger children so eventually childcare for children of all ages is included. Eleven percent feel that the government should provide targeted childcare funding exclusively for disadvantaged families. Eight percent don't know.

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Personal aspirations: Ideal number of children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



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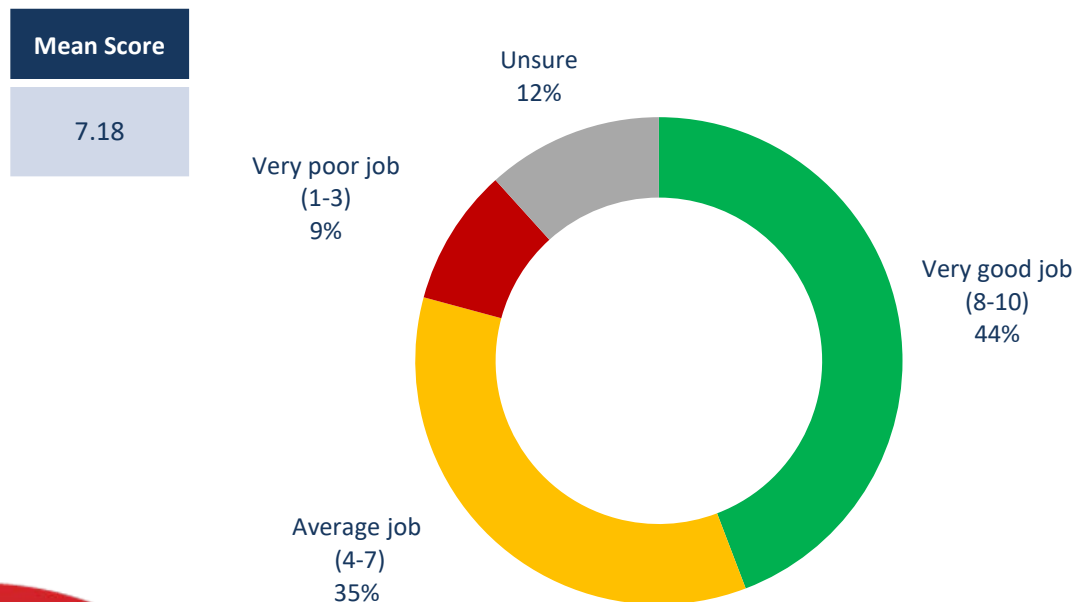
QUESTION – On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is not at all important and 10 is very important, how important are the following to your personal aspirations?

Being able to have the number of children you want

Subgroups	Mean Score
Atlantic (n=100)	6.68
Quebec (n=250)	7.09
Ontario (n=300)	6.54
Prairies (n=200)	6.89
British Columbia (n=150)	6.08
Male (n=500)	6.56
Female (n=500)	6.82
18 to 29 (n=155)	7.21
30 to 39 (n=156)	6.73
40 to 49 (n=211)	6.38
50 to 59 (n=240)	6.32
60 plus (n=238)	6.75

Society promotes: Ideal number of children

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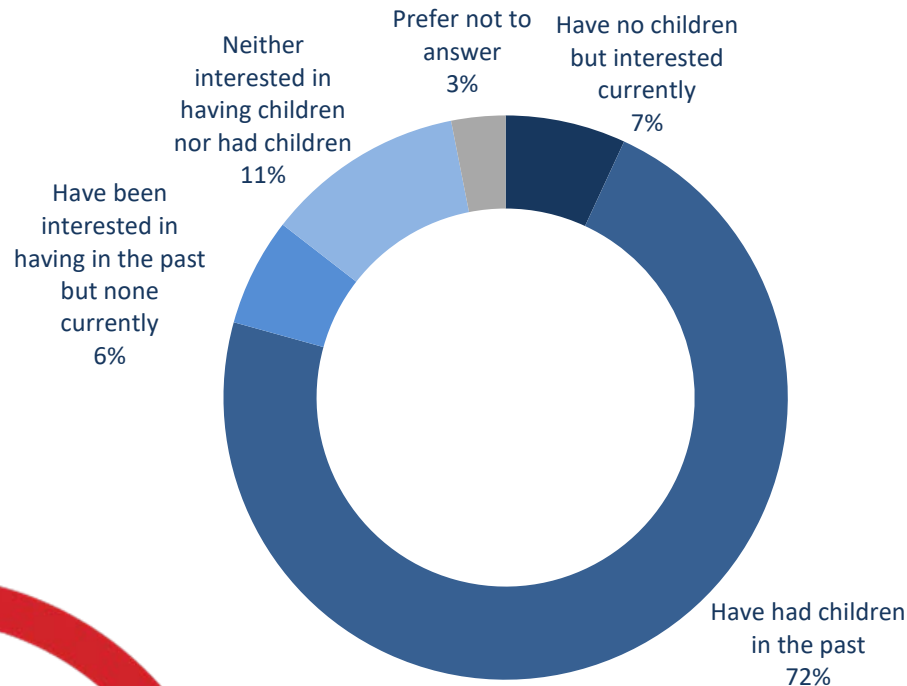
Subgroups	Mean Score
Atlantic (n=100)	7.14
Quebec (n=250)	6.80
Ontario (n=300)	7.26
Prairies (n=200)	7.53
British Columbia (n=150)	7.16
Male (n=500)	7.12
Female (n=500)	7.24
18 to 29 (n=155)	6.95
30 to 39 (n=156)	7.05
40 to 49 (n=211)	7.09
50 to 59 (n=240)	7.47
60 plus (n=238)	7.34

QUESTION – On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is a very poor job and 10 is a very good job, how would you rate the job that we do as a society in promoting the following?

Being able to have the number of children you want

Interest in having children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



Subgroups	Have had children in the past
Atlantic (n=100)	73.3%
Quebec (n=250)	75.1%
Ontario (n=300)	70.9%
Prairies (n=200)	76.0%
British Columbia (n=150)	65.3%
Male (n=500)	72.6%
Female (n=500)	72.2%
18 to 29 (n=155)	56.5%
30 to 39 (n=156)	71.6%
40 to 49 (n=211)	71.7%
50 to 59 (n=240)	80.5%
60 plus (n=238)	81.2%

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QUESTION – Would you describe yourself as someone who in the past or currently is interested in having children? In these questions, when we refer to children we mean any children, including adopted and step-children.

Number of children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=694, accurate 3.7 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20. [Have children only]

Region	Mean (n=694)
Atlantic Canada	2.48
Quebec	2.11
Ontario	2.24
Prairies	2.44
British Columbia	2.21
Total	2.27

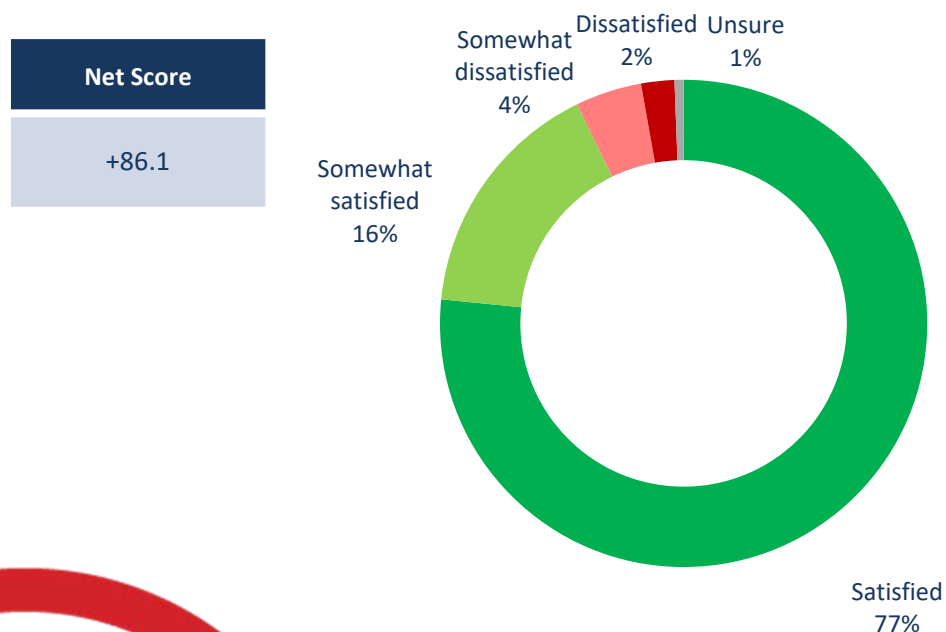
Age	Mean (n=694)
18 to 29	2.11
30 to 39	2.14
40 to 49	2.33
50 to 59	2.40
60 plus	2.30
Total	2.27

Gender	Mean (n=694)
Male	2.28
Female	2.26
Total	2.27

QUESTION – [If have children] How many children, if any, do you have?
[OPEN-ENDED]

Satisfaction with number of children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=728, accurate 3.7 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20. [Have children only]



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QUESTION – [If have children] Thinking of the number of children you have, would you say that you are personally satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied or dissatisfied with that decision?

Subgroups	Satisfied/ Somewhat satisfied
Atlantic (n=73)	91.0%
Quebec (n=188)	91.5%
Ontario (n=211)	92.3%
Prairies (n=156)	95.4%
British Columbia (n=100)	93.2%
Male (n=371)	92.5%
Female (n=357)	92.9%
18 to 29 (n=84)	90.9%
30 to 39 (n=112)	88.7%
40 to 49 (n=150)	93.7%
50 to 59 (n=190)	93.4%
60 plus (n=192)	95.1%

Ideal number of children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=683, accurate 3.8 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Region	Mean (n=683)
Atlantic Canada	2.78
Quebec	2.62
Ontario	2.73
Prairies	3.06
British Columbia	2.65
Total	2.76

Age	Mean (n=683)
18 to 29	2.96
30 to 39	2.70
40 to 49	3.01
50 to 59	2.62
60 plus	2.61
Total	2.76

Gender	Mean (n=683)
Male	2.81
Female	2.71
Total	2.76

QUESTION – [If have children] Ideally, how many children would you like to have or have had in your family? [OPEN-ENDED]

Challenges to ideal number of children

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd 2016, n= 725, accurate 3..7 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Reported number one challenge	Frequency (n=725)
Cost/Affordability/My income	29.2%
There are no challenges for me	16.8%
My age	7.2%
Infertility/health issues	6.0%
I don't have enough time	4.5%
I don't want any more children/have the amount that I want	3.7%
Arranging for child care/daycare	3.1%
Ensuring they have a good education/good future	2.7%
I am not emotionally able to handle it	1.8%
I am single/have not found right partner	1.4%
My spouse/partner doesn't want more	1.3%
Already have special needs child/children	1.1%
Other	0.9%
Unsure/no opinion	20.2%

QUESTION – [If have children] What is the number one challenge, if any, for you personally in terms of having the number of children you want? [OPEN-ENDED]

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Government spending on childcare

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 28th to May 3rd, 2016, n=727, accurate 3.7 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

	Frequency (n=727)
Provide cash payments directly to parents who could choose any form of childcare they deem best, including having a parent stay at home and care for their children	25.2%
Change the tax system to provide all parents with a child tax deduction whether they work or stay at home	16.3%
Provide subsidies to child care centres to improve quality and/ or create more spaces	15.3%
Expand the public school system to include younger children so that eventually, childcare for children of all ages is included	14.8%
Return the money to all tax payers through reduced taxes	11.3%
Provide targeted childcare funding exclusively for disadvantaged families	9.4%
Don't know	7.8%

QUESTION – [If have children] If the government should spend money to look after children, how should they do so? Please choose the option that is closest to your own point of view. [RANDOMIZE]

*See Methodology.



Methodology

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Individuals were randomly called using random digit dialling with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

The research was commissioned by CARDUS.

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*This question was provided by Cardus to Nanos Research and originates from a 2013 survey conducted by Abingdon Research for the Institute of Marriage and Family Canada. Please see the following link for the full study: http://www.imfcanada.org/sites/default/files/monthly_release/DaycareDesiresMay2013.pdf.

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Technical Note

Element	Description
Organization who commissioned the research	CARDUS
Final Sample Size	1000 Randomly selected individuals.
Margin of Error	±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online [omnibus] survey
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.
Demographics (Captured)	Atlantic Canada, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies, British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years and older. Six digit postal code was used to validate geography.
Fieldwork/Validation	Live interviews with live supervision to validate work as per the MRIA Code of Conduct
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs.
Time of Calls	Individuals were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.
Field Dates	April 28 th to May 3 rd , 2016.
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.

Element	Description
Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2014) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure
Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data.
Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines could not participate.
Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2014) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada. Smaller areas such as Atlantic Canada were marginally oversampled to allow for a minimum regional sample.
Estimated Response Rate	12 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Question Content	This was module eight of an omnibus survey. The modules preceding these questions included top unprompted national issues of concern, vote preferences, the monarchy, interest in the leadership races of the NDP and Conservatives, as well as Canadians' impressions of public-private partnerships, race, and access to medicines.
Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Survey Company	Nanos Research
Contact	Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. http://www.nanosresearch.com Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. Email: info@nanosresearch.com.



Tabulations

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On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is not at all important and 10 is very important, how important are the following to your personal aspirations? [RANDOMIZE]

			Region						Gender		Age				
			Canada 2016-04	Atlantic Canada	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Being able to have the number of children you want	Total	Unwgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	500	500	155	156	211	240	238
		Wgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	500	500	205	169	208	178	239
		Mean	6.69	6.68	7.09	6.54	6.89	6.08	6.56	6.82	7.21	6.73	6.38	6.32	6.75
	Not at all important (1)	%	19.1	23.2	14.3	21.3	15.1	25.1	17.9	20.3	10.7	18.6	25.3	23.5	18.0
	2	%	1.2	.0	1.4	1.3	1.9	.8	.7	1.8	.6	.6	1.0	.8	2.8
	3	%	2.7	.0	3.4	2.3	4.1	2.0	3.9	1.4	4.9	3.0	1.0	3.2	1.5
	4	%	2.7	1.0	2.6	3.0	2.5	3.7	3.5	1.9	2.5	3.8	2.6	1.4	3.1
	5	%	7.8	8.3	7.3	6.9	8.8	9.0	9.6	6.1	9.3	6.9	6.0	10.0	7.2
	6	%	5.5	7.7	4.6	5.9	6.3	3.8	7.0	4.1	6.6	6.0	5.9	5.7	4.0
	7	%	6.4	2.5	5.8	5.5	6.3	12.2	7.4	5.4	5.3	8.6	5.7	5.5	7.2
	8	%	6.0	8.8	4.8	5.8	7.5	4.5	6.5	5.5	8.3	5.3	4.2	5.2	6.7
	9	%	7.3	6.9	12.4	6.2	5.1	4.4	7.0	7.6	10.8	7.3	6.3	7.1	5.5
	Very important (10)	%	36.7	37.8	37.3	36.8	39.7	31.1	33.4	40.0	36.6	37.2	37.0	34.2	38.1
	Unsure	%	4.5	3.9	6.2	4.9	2.8	3.3	3.0	5.9	4.5	2.8	4.9	3.5	6.0

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		Wgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	500	500	205	169	208	178	239	
		Mean	7.18	7.14	6.80	7.26	7.53	7.16	7.12	7.24	6.95	7.05	7.09	7.47	7.34	
	Very poor job (1)	%	3.2	3.2	4.0	3.4	2.0	2.9	2.3	4.0	7.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.2	
	2	%	2.2	4.6	2.5	1.2	2.2	2.0	2.8	1.6	3.5	3.1	1.4	.4	2.4	
	3	%	3.7	.7	3.4	4.5	3.6	4.8	2.9	4.5	4.4	3.6	2.6	4.4	3.7	
	4	%	3.2	.9	6.1	3.1	1.1	2.7	4.2	2.1	1.9	4.9	3.9	1.9	3.3	
	5	%	10.9	15.8	10.7	11.1	10.4	8.5	14.2	7.6	7.1	10.2	16.6	10.5	10.2	
	6	%	8.2	6.5	10.3	8.7	8.3	4.5	8.0	8.4	9.0	9.4	8.9	7.5	6.5	
	7	%	12.7	15.7	12.4	11.9	12.0	13.5	11.3	14.1	15.7	12.3	11.0	12.6	11.8	
	8	%	12.2	14.4	9.6	11.4	13.7	14.7	11.4	13.0	9.6	16.2	13.5	11.7	10.8	
	9	%	8.0	9.1	9.1	7.8	8.2	5.4	7.6	8.3	5.1	7.6	7.7	9.2	10.0	
	Very good job (10)	%	24.0	22.1	18.4	27.1	29.5	21.2	24.3	23.8	27.2	20.0	20.7	26.6	25.2	
	Unsure	%	11.7	7.0	13.5	9.7	8.9	19.7	10.9	12.5	9.4	10.6	11.6	12.8	13.9	

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	Have no children but interested currently	%	6.9	4.8	9.9	6.6	4.2	7.6	8.3	5.6	22.1	8.9	2.0	2.7	.0
	Have had children in the past	%	72.4	73.3	75.1	70.9	76.0	65.3	72.6	72.2	56.5	71.6	71.7	80.5	81.2
	Have been interested in having in the past but none currently	%	6.2	3.7	6.0	5.5	4.3	12.5	5.3	7.2	6.6	4.5	9.4	5.0	5.3
	Neither interested in having children nor had children	%	11.4	11.8	6.9	14.1	11.7	12.8	11.3	11.5	13.3	11.6	14.1	8.8	9.2
	Prefer not to answer	%	3.1	6.3	2.2	2.9	3.7	1.9	2.5	3.6	1.5	3.4	2.9	3.1	4.3

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* Region

Question – [If have children] How many children, if any, do you have? [Open-ended]

Region	Mean	N
Atlantic Canada	2.4832	71
Quebec	2.1149	178
Ontario	2.2378	203
Prairies	2.4387	146
British Columbia	2.2125	96
Total	2.2701	694

* Gender

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Gender	Mean	N
Male	2.2791	346
Female	2.2612	348
Total	2.2701	694

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* Age

Question – [If have children] How many children, if any, do you have?
[Open-ended]

Age	Mean	N
18 to 29	2.1092	107
30 to 39	2.1366	117
40 to 49	2.3348	147
50 to 59	2.3991	138
60 plus	2.3004	186
Total	2.2701	694

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		Wgt N	724	73	188	213	152	98	363	361	116	121	149	143	194
	Satisfied	%	76.5	77.5	72.1	73.0	84.6	79.4	73.2	79.8	65.4	67.0	78.4	83.9	82.2
	Somewhat satisfied	%	16.2	13.5	19.4	19.3	10.8	13.8	19.3	13.1	25.5	21.7	15.3	9.5	12.9
	Somewhat dissatisfied	%	4.4	7.3	4.8	4.5	2.2	4.6	4.4	4.4	6.2	5.3	3.3	3.9	4.0
	Dissatisfied	%	2.2	1.6	3.0	2.6	1.2	2.1	2.5	2.0	1.8	4.9	3.1	1.7	.5
	Unsure	%	.6	.0	.7	.6	1.3	.0	.5	.7	1.1	1.0	.0	1.0	.4

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Question - Ideally, how many children would you like to have or have had in your family? [Open-ended] * Region

Region	Mean	N
Atlantic Canada	2.7813	72
Quebec	2.6162	174
Ontario	2.7311	199
Prairies	3.0551	144
British Columbia	2.6450	94
Total	2.7634	683

Question - Ideally, how many children would you like to have or have had in your family? [Open-ended] * Age

Age	Mean	N
18 to 29	2.9561	107
30 to 39	2.7000	113
40 to 49	3.0132	141
50 to 59	2.6240	134
60 plus	2.6039	188
Total	2.7634	683

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Question - Ideally, how many children would you like to have or have had in your family? [Open-ended] *
Gender

Gender	Mean	N
Male	2.8140	347
Female	2.7114	337
Total	2.7634	683

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Question - What is the number one challenge, if any, for you personally in terms of having the number of children you want? [Open-ended]

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Cost/Affordability/My income	212	21.2	29.2	29.2
	Unsure/no opinion	146	14.6	20.2	49.4
	There are no challenges for me	122	12.2	16.8	66.3
	My age	52	5.2	7.2	73.5
	Infertility/health issues	44	4.4	6.0	79.5
	I don't have enough time	32	3.2	4.5	84.0
	I don't want any more children/have the amount I want	27	2.7	3.7	87.6
	Arranging for child care/daycare	22	2.2	3.1	90.7
	Ensuring they have a good education/a good future	20	2.0	2.7	93.5
	I am not emotionally able to handle it	13	1.3	1.8	95.3
	I am single/have not found the right partner	10	1.0	1.4	96.7
	My spouse/partner doesn't want more	9	.9	1.3	97.9
	Already have special needs child/children	8	.8	1.1	99.1
	Other	7	.7	.9	100.0
	Total	725	72.5	100.0	
Missing	No answer	275	27.5		
Total		1000	100.0		

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			Region						Gender		Age				
			Canada 2016-04	Atlantic Canada	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - [If have children] If the government should spend money to look after children, how should they do so? Please choose the option that is closest to your own point of view. [RANDOMIZE]	Total	Unwgt N	727	73	188	210	156	100	371	356	83	112	150	190	192
		Wgt N	722	73	188	211	152	98	363	359	114	121	149	143	194
	Change the tax system to provide all parents with a child tax deduction whether they work or stay at home	%	16.3	15.7	15.4	16.8	19.4	12.2	18.7	13.8	22.4	20.8	15.2	14.7	11.7
	Provide subsidies to child care centres to improve quality and/ or create more spaces	%	15.3	18.6	18.3	14.1	10.3	17.2	12.4	18.2	12.9	11.5	10.2	18.8	20.3
	Provide cash payments directly to parents who could choose any form of childcare they deem best, including having a pare	%	25.2	26.5	29.0	22.8	24.3	23.6	24.2	26.3	31.3	29.7	27.2	18.5	22.2
	Expand the public school system to include younger children so that eventually, childcare for children of all ages is in	%	14.8	8.5	13.3	18.5	13.8	15.9	13.9	15.7	17.3	6.4	14.5	13.6	19.6
	Return the money to all tax payers through reduced taxes	%	11.3	9.3	10.8	11.0	17.2	5.1	15.7	6.8	7.4	18.0	14.5	13.0	5.6
	Provide targeted childcare funding exclusively for disadvantaged families	%	9.4	12.4	5.6	8.1	9.3	17.5	7.0	11.9	4.5	9.6	11.1	9.7	10.7
	Don't know	%	7.8	9.0	7.5	8.8	5.7	8.5	8.1	7.5	4.2	4.0	7.3	11.7	9.7

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