Canadians think too little is being done in response to asylum seekers crossing U.S. border into Canada but believe more aid should be given to Rohingya refugees

## Summary

A recent survey conducted by Nanos for CTV News suggests that Canadians are concerned about asylum seekers from the United States attempting to cross the border into Canada as refugees, but are supportive of actions to help the Rohingya refugees of Myanmar. A majority of Canadians support or somewhat support accepting Rohingya refugees into Canada, as well as providing them with financial aid. When asked about how welcoming Canada should be concerning asylum seekers crossing the U.S. border into Canada, the top response was that Canada should be less welcoming. A majority of Canadians feel there is too little law enforcement presence at the Canadian border to respond to asylum seekers.

- 'Less welcoming' was the top response from Canadians when asked how welcoming the Government of Canada should be in its current approach to asylum seekers from the United States - Over four in ten Canadians say less welcoming (43\%) when asked how the Government of Canada should approach the refugees who cross the Canadian border from the United States claiming asylum in Canada. Over three in ten Canadians feel as though the government should continue its current approach (36\%) and over one in ten believe the government should be more welcoming (14\%). Six percent of respondents were unsure.
- 'Too little presence' was the top response from Canadians when asked how well served the border is in terms of law enforcement - Just under six in ten Canadians believe that there is too little presence ( $57 \%$ ) of law enforcement presence at the Canadians border to respond to "irregular" border crossings by refugees leaving the United States and seeking asylum in Canada. Nearly three in ten Canadians say that there is a right amount of presence (29\%), and only two percent of Canadians feel as though there is too much presence at the border. Twelve percent of respondents were unsure.
- A majority of Canadians support or somewhat support accepting Rohingya refugees into Canada - Just under four in ten Canadians support (37\%) accepting Rohingya refugees from Myanmar in a similar way we accepted refugees from Syria. Over two in ten somewhat support ( $25 \%$ ) accepting them, with eighteen percent opposing and fourteen percent somewhat opposing accepting them into Canada. Six percent of respondents were unsure.
- A majority of Canadians support or somewhat support providing financial aid to assist the Rohingya refugees in Myanmar - Over two in five Canadians support (42\%) and just under a third of Canadians somewhat support (27\%) providing $\$ 150$ million dollars of international aid to assist Rohingya refugees in Myanmar. Over one in ten somewhat oppose (14\%) or oppose (14\%) providing financial aid. Four percent of respondents were unsure.

These observations are based on a Nanos RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, conducted between May $30^{\text {th }}$ and June $3^{\text {rd }}, 2018$ as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20 .
This study was commissioned by CTV News and the research was conducted by Nanos Research.

## Refugees crossing Canadian border from U.S.

Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, May 30th to June 3rd, 2018, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20

| Net Score |  | Unsure 6\% | More welcoming | Subgroups | Less welcoming |
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| -29.3 | Continue its current approach 36\% |  | 14\% | Atlantic ( $\mathrm{n}=100$ ) | 41.1\% |
|  |  |  |  | Quebec ( $\mathrm{n}=250$ ) | 39.0\% |
|  |  |  |  | Ontario ( $n=300$ ) | 43.6\% |
|  |  |  |  | Prairies ( $\mathrm{n}=200$ ) | 51.2\% |
|  |  |  |  | British Columbia ( $\mathrm{n}=150$ ) | 41.6\% |
|  |  |  |  | Male ( $\mathrm{n}=526$ ) | 49.2\% |
|  |  |  |  | Female ( $n=474$ ) | 37.9\% |
|  |  |  |  | 18 to 34 ( $\mathrm{n}=202$ ) | 38.8\% |
|  |  |  | Less | 35 to 54 ( $\mathrm{n}=416$ ) | 45.0\% |
|  |  |  |  | 55 plus ( $\mathrm{n}=382$ ) | 45.3\% |

*Note: Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding

QUESTION - Should the Government of Canada be more welcoming, less welcoming or continue its current approach to refugees who cross the Canadian border from the United States to claim asylum in Canada?

## Law enforcement presence at the Canadian border <br> Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, May 30th to June 3rd, 2018, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20 .


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QUESTION - Does Canada have too much, too little or about the right amount of law enforcement presence at the Canadian border to respond to so called "irregular border" crossings by refugees leaving the United States and seeking asylum in Canada?

## Level of support for assisting Rohingya refugees

Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone to online random survey, May 30th to June 3rd, 2018, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20

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QUESTION - Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following: [ROTATE]

## Level of support for accepting Rohingya refugees

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QUESTION - Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following: [ROTATE]
Accepting Rohingya refugees from Myanmar in a similar way we accepted refugees from Syria?

## Level of support for providing financial aid to Rohingya refugees <br> Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, May 30th to June 3rd, 2018, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20 .



| Subgroups | Support/ <br> Somewhat <br> Support |
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| Atlantic (n=100) | $70.1 \%$ |
| Quebec (n=250) | $69.2 \%$ |
| Ontario (n=300) | $73.0 \%$ |
| Prairies (n=200) | $60.5 \%$ |
| British Columbia (n=150) | $67.5 \%$ |
| Male (n=526) | $66.3 \%$ |
| Female (n=474) | $70.4 \%$ |
| 18 to $34(n=202)$ | $67.9 \%$ |
| 35 to $54(n=416)$ | $65.0 \%$ |
| 55 plus (n=382) | $71.8 \%$ |

*Note: Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding

QUESTION - Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following: [ROTATE]

The Government of Canada providing $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 0}$ million dollars of international aid to assist Rohingya refugees in Myanmar?

## Methodology

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land-and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between May $30^{\text {th }}$ to June $3^{\text {rd }}, 2018$ as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. The sample included both land- and cell-lines across Canada. The results were statistically checked and weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada.

Individuals 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 $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20 .

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## Technical Note

| Element | Description | Element | Description |
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| Organization who commissioned the research <br> Final Sample Size | CTV 1,000 Randomly selected individuals. | Weighting of Data | The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure |
| Margin of Error | $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20. | 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. |
| 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. | Excluded Demographics | Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell line 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. |
| 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. |  |  |
|  |  | Estimated | 10 percent, consistent with industry norms. |
| Demographics (Other) | Age, gender, education, income | Response Rate |  |
| Fieldwork/Validation | Live interviews with live supervision to validate work as per the MRIA Code of Conduct | Question Order | Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire. |
| Number of Calls/ | Maximum of five call backs. | Question Content | This was module two of an omnibus survey. The previous module asked about unprompted national issues of concern. |
| Time of Calls | Individuals were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:309:30pm local time for the respondent. | Question Wording | The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals. |
| Field Dates | May $30^{\text {th }}$ to June $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$, 2018 | Survey Company | Nanos Research |
| Language of Survey | The survey was conducted in both English and French. | Contact | Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. <br> http://www.nanos.co <br> Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. <br> Email: info@nanosresearch.com. |
| Standards | This report meets the standards set forth by the MRIA which can be found here: <br> https://mria-arim.ca/polling |  |  |

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## Tabulations

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2018-1213 - CTV/Nanos Survey - CTV May Omni - Refugees - STAT SHEET

|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Canada 2018-05 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus |
| Question - Should the | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 526 | 474 | 202 | 416 | 382 |
| be more welcoming, less welcoming or continue its |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 491 | 509 | 271 | 340 | 389 |
| current approach to refugees who cross the | More welcoming | \% | 14.1 | 16.2 | 17.0 | 15.1 | 8.1 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 14.3 | 18.0 | 14.4 | 11.0 |
| Canadian border from the United States to claim asylum in Canada? | Less welcoming | \% | 43.4 | 41.1 | 39.0 | 43.6 | 51.2 | 41.6 | 49.2 | 37.9 | 38.8 | 45.0 | 45.3 |
|  | Continue its current approach | \% | 36.1 | 34.4 | 42.0 | 34.6 | 30.9 | 37.5 | 30.7 | 41.4 | 36.1 | 35.1 | 37.1 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 6.4 | 8.3 | 2.0 | 6.7 | 9.9 | 7.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 7.2 | 5.5 | 6.6 |


|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Canada 2018-05 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus |
| Question - Does Canada have too much, too little | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 526 | 474 | 202 | 416 | 382 |
| amount of law |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 491 | 509 | 271 | 340 | 389 |
| the Canadian border to respond to so called "irregular border" | Too much presence | \% | 2.0 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 0.9 |
| crossings by refugees leaving the United States | Too little presence | \% | 57.2 | 44.5 | 54.7 | 58.4 | 66.0 | 55.7 | 60.0 | 54.5 | 47.7 | 62.6 | 59.1 |
| Canada. | Right amount of presence | \% | 29.1 | 38.0 | 31.9 | 27.5 | 23.9 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 30.0 | 35.2 | 24.6 | 28.7 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 11.7 | 14.6 | 11.2 | 12.0 | 9.0 | 13.7 | 10.2 | 13.2 | 13.4 | 10.9 | 11.2 |

2018-1213 - CTV/Nanos Survey - CTV May Omni - Refugees - STAT SHEET
Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose the following: [ROTATE]

|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Canada 2018-05 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus |
| Question - Accepting | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 526 | 474 | 202 | 416 | 382 |
| Myanmar in a similar way |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 491 | 509 | 271 | 340 | 389 |
| from Syria | Support | \% | 37.0 | 34.7 | 39.2 | 40.2 | 32.5 | 34.4 | 31.1 | 42.7 | 40.3 | 35.7 | 35.8 |
|  | Somewhat support | \% | 25.3 | 27.8 | 27.4 | 22.7 | 21.6 | 30.0 | 22.9 | 27.6 | 24.3 | 24.9 | 26.3 |
|  | Somewhat oppose | \% | 13.7 | 13.1 | 15.4 | 11.1 | 15.5 | 14.2 | 15.4 | 12.1 | 10.1 | 14.5 | 15.5 |
|  | Oppose | \% | 18.3 | 20.2 | 9.5 | 21.1 | 25.1 | 17.1 | 24.0 | 12.9 | 19.4 | 18.4 | 17.6 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 5.7 | 4.3 | 8.4 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 4.3 | 6.7 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 4.7 |

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|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Canada 2018-05 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus |
| Question - The | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 526 | 474 | 202 | 416 | 382 |
| providing \$ 150 million |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 491 | 509 | 271 | 340 | 389 |
| aid to assist Rohingya | Support | \% | 41.6 | 42.4 | 42.8 | 48.5 | 30.9 | 39.9 | 38.8 | 44.4 | 41.3 | 37.8 | 45.2 |
|  | Somewhat support | \% | 26.8 | 27.7 | 26.4 | 24.5 | 29.6 | 27.6 | 27.5 | 26.0 | 26.6 | 27.2 | 26.6 |
|  | Somewhat oppose | \% | 13.9 | 13.6 | 14.6 | 8.6 | 18.2 | 17.7 | 12.7 | 15.1 | 11.8 | 16.7 | 12.9 |
|  | Oppose | \% | 13.7 | 13.4 | 12.1 | 14.9 | 15.8 | 11.5 | 15.2 | 12.3 | 14.2 | 15.2 | 12.1 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 4.0 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 5.5 | 3.3 | 5.8 | 2.2 | 6.1 | 3.1 | 3.2 |

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