Subsidized childcare and national pharmacare are seen as good ideas by a majority of Canadians

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SUMMARY

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Most Canadians say making a significant, long-term, sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system and a national pharmacare program are good or somewhat good ideas, with residents from the Atlantic region most likely to think both these federal policies would be a good idea.

- Seven in ten Canadians say making a significant, long-term, sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system is a good or somewhat good idea A majority of Canadians say subsidizing childcare by making a significant, long-term, sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system is a good (41%) or somewhat good idea (29%), while one in five say it is a poor (13%) or somewhat poor idea (12%). Six per cent are unsure.
- Residents of the Atlantic region are more likely to say subsidized childcare is a good idea Over one in two residents of the Atlantic region (56%) say subsidizing childcare by making a significant, long-term, sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system is a good idea, while residents of Quebec are less likely (35%) to say the same.
- Over eight in ten Canadians say a national pharmacare program designed to improve access to prescription drugs is a good idea or somewhat good idea A strong majority of Canadians say a national pharmacare program designed to improve access to prescription drugs including for Canadian families dealing with the high costs of drugs to treat rare diseases is a good (56%) or somewhat good idea, while over one in ten say it is a poor (eight per cent) or somewhat poor idea (six per cent). Three per cent are unsure.

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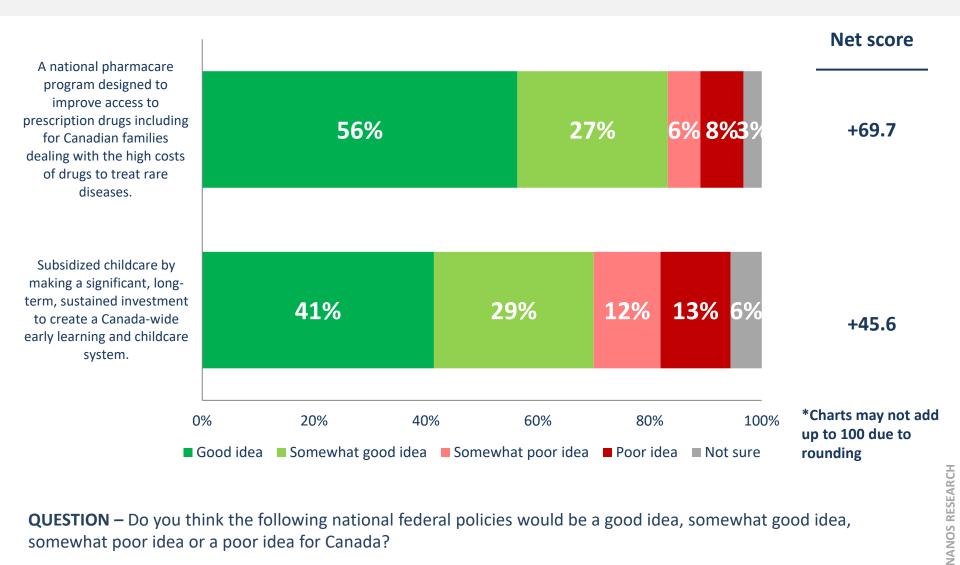


• Residents of the Atlantic region are more likely to say national pharmacare is a good idea — Over seven in ten residents of the Atlantic region (72%) say a national pharmacare program designed to improve access to prescription drugs including for Canadian families dealing with the high costs of drugs to treat rare diseases is a good idea, while residents of Quebec (49%) and the Prairies (49%) are less likely.

These observations are based on a hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,003 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between September 30^{th} and October 4^{th} , 2020 as part of an omnibus survey. The margin of error for this survey is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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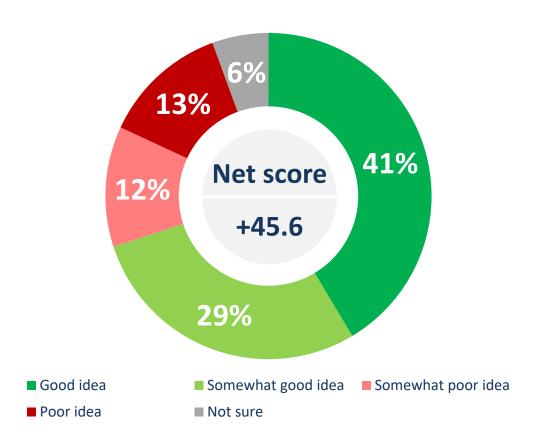
Ideas for Canada to implement



QUESTION – Do you think the following national federal policies would be a good idea, somewhat good idea, somewhat poor idea or a poor idea for Canada?

Views on subsidized childcare for Canada





| | Good/ somewhat good idea |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Atlantic (n=96) | 85.3% |
| Quebec (n=225) | 68.2% |
| Ontario (n=319) | 69.0% |
| Prairies (n=202) | 68.3% |
| British Columbia (n=161) | 70.5% |
| Male (n=544) | 62.3% |
| Female (n=459) | 77.4% |
| 18 to 34 (n=224) | 74.1% |
| 35 to 54 (n=403) | 64.8% |
| 55 plus (n=376) | 71.6% |
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^{*}Weighted to the true population proportion.

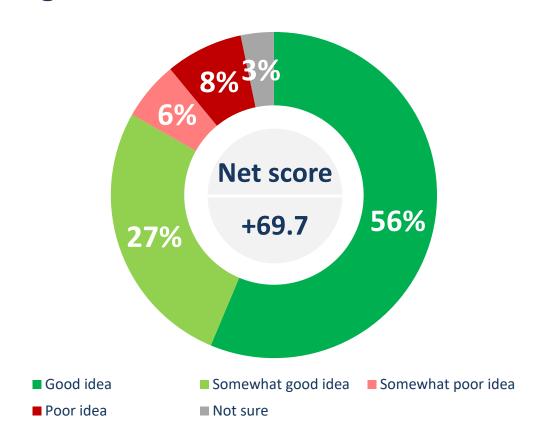
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Subsidized childcare by making a significant, long-term, sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system.

^{*}Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Views on a national pharmacare program





| | | Good/ somewhat good idea |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • | Atlantic (n=96) | 94.2% |
| | Quebec (n=225) | 80.2% |
| | Ontario (n=319) | 85.9% |
| | Prairies (n=202) | 75.5 % |
| | British Columbia (n=161) | 85.6% |
| | Male (n=544) | 78.6% |
| | Female (n=459) | 87.5% |
| | 18 to 34 (n=224) | 81.9% |
| | 35 to 54 (n=403) | 81.7% |
| | 55 plus (n=376) | 85.4% |
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METHODOLOGY





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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,003 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between September 30th and October 4th, 2020 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 this survey is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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TECHNICAL NOTE



| Element | Description | Element | Description | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Research sponsor | The Globe and Mail | | The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically | | | | | |
| Population and Final Sample Size | 1003 Randomly selected individuals. | Weighting of Data | stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure | | | | | |
| Source of Sample | Nanos Panel | | Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the | | | | | |
| Type of Sample | Probability | Screening | media or a political party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data. | | | | | |
| Margin of Error | ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20. | Excluded | Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or | | | | | |
| Mode of Survey | RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey | Demographics | cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not participate. | | | | | |
| Sampling Method Base | The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada. | Stratification | By age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada. Smaller areas such as Atlantic Canada were marginally | | | | | |
| 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 Response Rate | oversampled to allow for a minimum regional sample. Ten percent, consistent with industry norms. | | | | | |
| Fieldwork/Validation | Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online | 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 to those recruited. | | Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: | | | | | |
| Time of Calls | Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent. | Question Content | views on political issues, on economic issues, and the coronavirus pandemic. | | | | | |
| Field Dates | September 30 th and October 4 th , 2020. | Question Wording | The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals. | | | | | |
| Language of Survey | The survey was conducted in both English and French. | Research/Data Collection Supplier | Nanos Research | | | | | |
| Standards | Nanos Research is a member of the Canadian Research Insights Council (CRIC) and confirms that this research fully complies with all CRIC Standards including the CRIC Public Opinion Research Standards and Disclosure Requirements. https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/ | Contact | Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. http://www.nanos.co Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com. | | | | | |

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TABULATIONS



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2020-1723 - Globe and Mail/Nanos Survey - September Omni - STAT SHEET - Federal Policies

Do you think the following national federal policies would be a good idea, somewhat good idea, somewhat poor idea or a poor idea for Canada? [ROTATE]

| | | ; | Please sel Region gend | | | | | | | • | | | |
|---|--------------------|------------|---------------------------|----------|--------|---------|----------|---------------------|------|--------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| | | • | Canada 2020-10 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus |
| Question - Subsidized childcare by making a | Total | Unwgt N | 1003 | 96 | 225 | 319 | 202 | 161 | 544 | 459 | 224 | 403 | 376 |
| significant, long-term, | | Wgt N | 1000 | 67 | 233 | 384 | 183 | 133 | 490 | 510 | 273 | 341 | 386 |
| sustained investment to create a Canada- | Good idea | % | 41.4 | 55.8 | 35.0 | 40.8 | 40.3 | 48.7 | 38.3 | 44.4 | 47.6 | 38.7 | 39.4 |
| wide early learning | Somewhat good idea | % | 28.6 | 29.5 | 33.2 | 28.2 | 28.0 | 21.8 | 24.0 | 33.0 | 26.5 | 26.1 | 32.2 |
| and childcare system. | Somewhat poor idea | % | 11.9 | 2.2 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 13.2 | 11.3 | 16.5 | 7.6 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 13.3 |
| | Poor idea | % | 12.5 | 5.2 | 8.4 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 13.9 | 17.3 | 7.9 | 8.6 | 16.6 | 11.6 |
| | Not sure | % | 5.6 | 7.2 | 10.6 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 7.2 | 6.0 | 7.7 | 3.4 |

Do you think the following national federal policies would be a good idea, somewhat good idea, somewhat poor idea or a poor idea for Canada? [ROTATE]

| | | ; | | | Reg | gion | | Please select your gender | | | | Age | | |
|--|--------------------|------------|-------------------|----------|--------|---------|----------|------------------------------|------|--------|-------------|-------------|---------|--|
| | | | Canada 2020-10 | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 34 | 35 to 54 | 55 plus | |
| Question - A national pharmacare program | Total | Unwgt N | 1003 | 96 | 225 | 319 | 202 | 161 | 544 | 459 | 224 | 403 | 376 | |
| designed to improve | | Wgt N | 1000 | 67 | 233 | 384 | 183 | 133 | 490 | 510 | 273 | 341 | 386 | |
| access to prescription drugs including for | Good idea | % | 56.3 | 71.7 | 49.3 | 59.1 | 48.8 | 63.2 | 54.4 | 58.1 | 57.2 | 55.0 | 56.9 | |
| Canadian families | Somewhat good idea | % | 26.9 | 22.5 | 30.9 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 22.4 | 24.2 | 29.4 | 24.7 | 26.7 | 28.5 | |
| dealing with the high | Somewhat poor idea | % | 5.8 | 1.4 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 8.7 | 3.8 | 7.4 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 5.4 | |
| costs of drugs to treat | Poor idea | % | 7.7 | 1.5 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 12.2 | 7.0 | 11.3 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 9.2 | 7.0 | |
| rare diseases. | Not sure | % | 3.3 | 2.8 | 6.5 | 1.1 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 2.2 | |