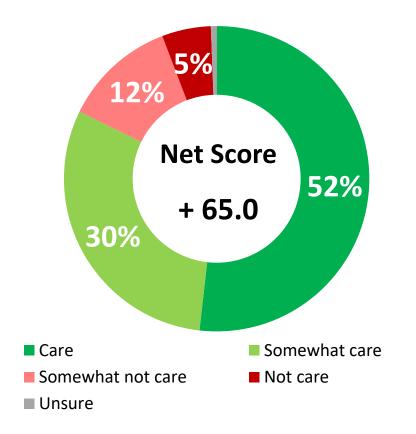


## Sentiment on the size of the Government of Canada's deficit

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Four out of five Canadians say they care or somewhat care about the size of the Government of Canada's deficit. Residents of the Prairies are more likely to say they care (67%) than residents from Quebec (38%). Men are also more likely to say they care (58%) than women (46%).





<sup>\*</sup>Weighted to the true population proportion.

<sup>\*</sup>Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

<sup>\*</sup>The net score is the difference between all positive and negative numbers in a question.

## Sentiment on the size of the Government of Canada's deficit - Demographics

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	Atlantic (n=100)	Quebec (n=205)	Ontario (n=344)	Prairies (n=198)	British Columbia (n=160)	Male (n=546)	Female (n=461)	18 to 34 (n=218)	35 to 54 (n=374)	55 plus (n=415)
Care	54.6%	38.0%	53.6%	66.8%	48.5%	57.5%	46.3%	45.1%	53.9%	54.6%
Somewhat care	25.9%	45.2%	28.5%	21.3%	25.1%	26.2%	34.5%	29.2%	29.1%	32.6%
Somewhat not care	14.0%	13.2%	11.5%	7.5%	16.3%	10.5%	13.4%	17.0%	10.1%	10.0%
Not care	5.5%	2.6%	5.8%	4.4%	8.8%	5.5%	4.8%	7.5%	6.2%	2.6%
Unsure	-	1.0%	0.5%	-	1.3%	0.2%	1.0%	1.1%	0.7%	0.2%

<sup>\*</sup>Weighted to the true population proportion.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, March 27<sup>th</sup> to March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, n=1007, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.





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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell- lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,007 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between March 27<sup>th</sup> and March 30<sup>th</sup>,2021 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  $\pm 3.1$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

This study was commissioned by Bloomberg News and the research was conducted by Nanos Research.

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

Element	Description	Element	Description					
Research sponsor	Bloomberg News	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 Ottawa.					
Population and Final Sample Size	1007 Randomly selected individuals.		Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in t					
Source of Sample	Nanos Panel	Screening	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.					
Margin of Error	$\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Excluded	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without					
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey	Demographics	land or cell lines 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 Ottawa.					
Demographics (Captured)	Atlantic Canada, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies, British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years and older.	Estimated Response Rate	16 per cent, consistent with industry norms.					
	Six digit postal code was used to validate geography.	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.					
Fieldwork/Validation	Live CATI interviews with live supervision to validate work.		which they appeared in the original questionnaire.					
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs.	Question Content	All questions asked are contained in the report.					
Time of Calls	Individuals were called between 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.	Question Wording	This was module one of an omnibus survey. Topics ahead included the Federal government's deficit, relations with China, the Canadian Armed Forces, carbon tax and sex					
Field Dates	March 27 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2021.		trafficking.					
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in English.	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. <a href="http://www.nanos.co">http://www.nanos.co</a> Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237  Email: info@nanosresearch.com.					



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		=	Region						Gender			Age		
			Canada 2021-03	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus	
Question – As you may know, the	Total	Unwgt N	1007	100	205	344	198	160	546	461	218	374	415	
federal government deficit is the excess government		Wgt N	1000	67	233	384	183	133	490	510	273	341	386	
expenditures for programs and services	Care	%	51.8	54.6	38.0	53.6	66.8	48.5	57.5	46.3	45.1	53.9	54.6	
over government revenue. When the	Somewhat care	%	30.4	25.9	45.2	28.5	21.3	25.1	26.2	34.5	29.2	29.1	32.6	
government has a deficit, it means it is spending more	Somewhat not care	%	12.0	14.0	13.2	11.5	7.5	16.3	10.5	13.4	17.0	10.1	10.0	
money than revenue taken in. Do you care,	Not care	%	5.2	5.5	2.6	5.8	4.4	8.8	5.5	4.8	7.5	6.2	2.6	
somewhat care, somewhat not care or not care about the size of the Government of	Unsure	%	0.6	0.0	1.0	0.5	0.0	1.3	0.2	1.0	1.1	0.7	0.2	
Canada's deficit?														