# Majority of Canadians still prefer increasing our defence spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target.

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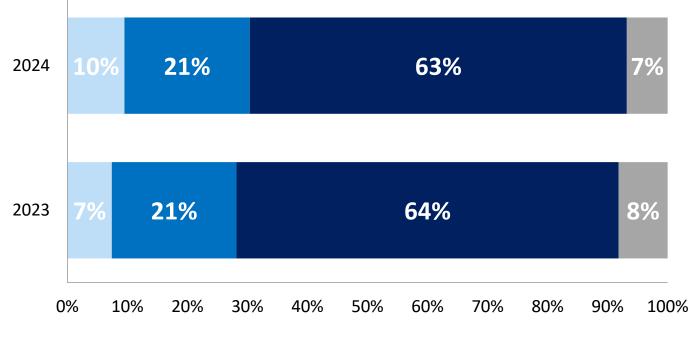


Similar to previous waves, nearly two in three Canadians prefer increasing spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target. Older Canadians aged 55 plus are more likely to prefer increasing spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target (74%) than younger Canadians aged 35 to 54 (58%) and 18 to 34 (52%). Men are also more likely to say this (71%) than women (55%).

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Q – [ASKED IN 2023] In 2021, Canada spent approximately 1.4 per cent of GDP on defence spending. Our commitment as a NATO ally is to spend 2 per cent of GDP on defence spending. Canada has not spent 2% of GDP on defence since the 1980s. Which approach would you prefer for Canada's defence spending?

# **Defence spending preference - Tracking**



Spend less than the 1.4% we currently spend
Increase spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target

Maintain our current level of spending at 1.4%
Unsure

\*Weighted to the true population proportion. \*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, February 28<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, n=1071, accurate 3.0 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



# **Defence spending preference - Demographics**

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Spend less than the 1.4% we currently spend									
Atlantic (n=102)	Quebec (n=252)	Ontario (n=344)	Prairies (n=216)	BC (n=157)					
10.8	14.0	8.3	7.4	7.0					
Men (n=552)	Women (n=517)	18 to 34 (n=196)	35 to 54 (n=376)	55 plus (n=499)					
9.9	8.9	13.0	12.3	4.9					
	Maintain our current level of spending at 1.4%								
Atlantic (n=102)	Quebec (n=252)	Ontario (n=344)	Prairies (n=216)	BC (n=157)					
14.2	25.4	20.3	17.2	22.8					
Men (n=552)	Women (n=517)	18 to 34 (n=196)	35 to 54 (n=376)	55 plus (n=499)					
15.6	25.8	26.3	26.3 22.4						

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Increase spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target								
Atlantic (n=102)	Quebec (n=252)	Ontario (n=344)	Prairies (n=216)	BC (n=157)				
69.3	54.8	64.2	69.6	60.9				
Men (n=552)	Women (n=517)	18 to 34 (n=196)	35 to 54 (n=376)	55 plus (n=499)				
71.2	55.1	52.0	57.6	74.0				
		Unsure						
Atlantic (n=102)	Quebec (n=252)	Ontario (n=344)	Prairies (n=216)	BC (n=157)				
5.6	5.8	7.2	5.7	9.3				
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3.3	10.2	8.7	7.6	5.0				



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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and celllines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 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 dialing with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for this survey is  $\pm 3.0$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

This study was commissioned by the Globe and Mail 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	The Globe and Mail	Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada.					
Population and Final Sample Size	1071 Randomly selected individuals.		See tables for full weighting disclosure					
Source of Sample	Nanos Hybrid Panel	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					
Type of Sample	Probability		ensure the integrity of the data.					
Margin of Error	$\pm 3.0$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not					
Mode of Survey	Excluded Demographi DD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online mnibus survey		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 (2021) 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 Response Rate	13 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, views on economic issues, and views on transgender persons.					
Field Dates	February 28 <sup>th</sup> to March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2024.	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. <u>http://www.nanos.co</u> Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com.					



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			Region						Gender			Age		
			Canada 2024-02	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	Other	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - In the 2023-24 fiscal year,	Total	Unwgt N	1071	102	252	344	216	157	552	517	2	196	376	499
Canada is		Wgt N	1002	68	231	388	176	139	490	510	2	268	322	412
estimated to spend approximately 1.4 per cent of GDP on defence spending.	Spend less than the 1.4% we currently spend	%	9.5	10.8	14.0	8.3	7.4	7.0	9.9	8.9		13.0	12.3	4.9
Our commitment as a NATO ally is to spend 2 per cent of	Maintain our current level of spending at 1.4%	%	20.9	14.2	25.4	20.3	17.2	22.8	15.6	25.8		26.3	22.4	16.1
GDP on defence spending. Canada has not spent 2% of	Increase spending to reach the 2% NATO ally target	%	62.9	69.3	54.8	64.2	69.6	60.9	71.2	55.1		52.0	57.6	74.0
GDP on defence since the 1980s. Whic	Unsure	%	6.8	5.6	5.8	7.2	5.7	9.3	3.3	10.2		8.7	7.6	5.0

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