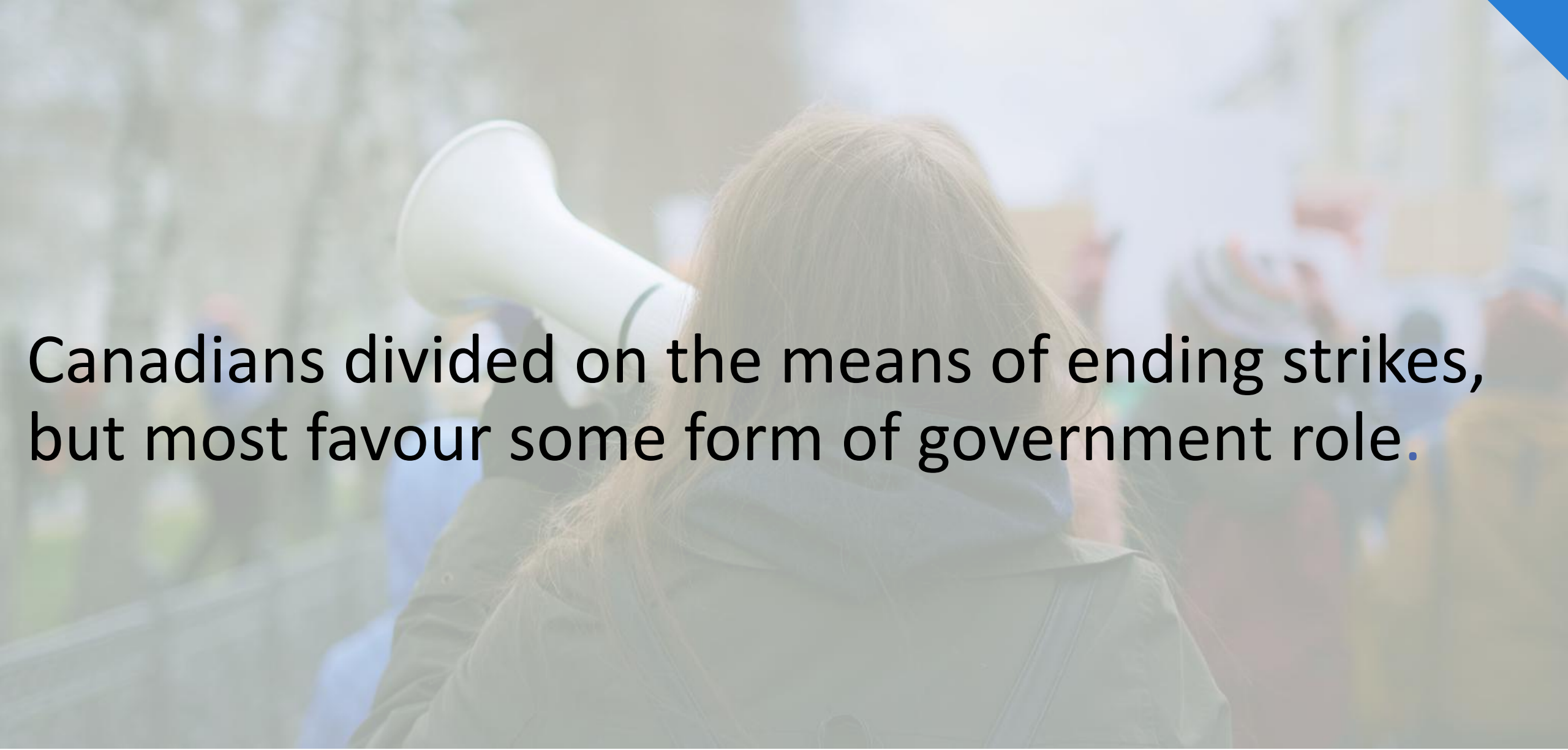




Canadians divided on the means of ending strikes,
but most favour some form of government role.

National survey released October, 2026
Field: September 27 to September 29, 2026
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This research gauged the opinion of Canadians on their preferred path forward for ending strikes in workplaces such as airlines and railways.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (cell and landlines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,057 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, from September 27 to September 29, 2026, as part of an omnibus survey. The sample included both cell and landlines 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 ± 3.0 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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

[Full data tables with weighted and unweighted number of interviews is here.](#)
Tables within the report that have significant differences are highlighted in yellow.

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

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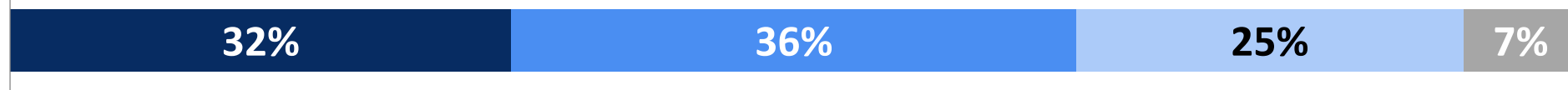
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Preferred path forward for ending strikes in workplaces

Q – The Government of Canada is proposing legislation that would change Canada's Labour Code to give the government the power to end strikes in workplaces such as airlines and railways when it decides the strike is, or could be, against the national interest. Which of the following paths forward would you prefer for ending strikes in workplaces such as airlines and railways? [ROTATE]



- The labour minister be able to end them when they are believed to be against the national interest
- The government be required to pass back-to-work legislation in Parliament to end strikes
- Neither, the government should not be allowed to end strikes
- Unsure

*Weighted to the true population proportion.
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Over **1 in 3**
Canadians

believe the government should be required to pass back-to-work legislation in Parliament to end strikes (36%). Close to a third of Canadians think the labour minister be able to end them when they are believed to be against the national interest (32%) and one in four say the government should not be allowed to end strikes (25%).

Preferred path forward for ending strikes in workplaces – By demographics

Q – The Government of Canada is proposing legislation that would change Canada's Labour Code to give the government the power to end strikes in workplaces such as airlines and railways when it decides the strike is, or could be, against the national interest. Which of the following paths forward would you prefer for ending strikes in workplaces such as airlines and railways? [ROTATE]

	Canada 2026-09 (n=1057)	Atlantic (n=95)	Quebec (n=242)	Ontario (n=350)	Prairies (n=218)	British Columbia (n=152)	Male (n=552)	Female (n=505)	18 to 34 (n=215)	35 to 54 (n=372)	55 plus (n=470)
The labour minister be able to end them when they are believed to be against the national interest	32.0%	34.9%	38.1%	30.3%	33.1%	23.7%	35.9%	28.2%	24.7%	29.6%	38.6%
The government be required to pass back-to-work legislation in Parliament to end strikes	36.0%	32.3%	28.8%	39.3%	36.6%	39.6%	39.3%	32.8%	33.8%	36.7%	36.7%
Neither, the government should not be allowed to end strikes	24.7%	26.4%	25.0%	22.2%	23.5%	32.1%	20.4%	28.8%	36.0%	24.4%	17.7%
Unsure	7.3%	6.4%	8.1%	8.2%	6.8%	4.6%	4.4%	10.2%	5.6%	9.2%	7.0%

Canadians aged 55 plus are more likely to say the labour minister should be able to end the strikes when they are believed to be against the national interest (39%) and 18- to 34-year-olds are more likely to say that the government should not be allowed to end strikes (36%).

Element	Description	Element	Description
Research sponsor	Bloomberg News	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. See tables for full weighting disclosure
Population and Final Sample Size	1057 Randomly selected individuals.	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.
Source of Sample	Nanos Insights Lab	Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Type of Sample	Probability	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.
Margin of Error	±3.0 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Estimated Response Rate	12 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (cell and landlines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both cell and landlines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.	Question Content	Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: views on political issues, views on economic issues, views on luggage tag swapping at airports, airport privatization and Canada's international strategy.
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.	Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online	Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs to those recruited.	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.
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.	Tabulations	By region, age and gender
Field Dates	September 27 to September 29, 2026.		
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.		
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/		



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