

Focus Canada

June 2024

Canadian public opinion about conflict in the Middle East

Data Tables

Field dates: June 3 – 16, 2024

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Closely	24	20 C	11	32 BC	26 C	24 C	28 C	100	-	-	20	20	22	33 KLM
Somewhat	40	47	38	39	45	41	42	-	100	-	47	37	40	40
Not very much	20	17	31 BDEFG	15	14	20	17	-	-	56	14	26 KMN	18	18
Not at all	15	16	19 DG	14	15	13	13	-	-	44	19 N	16 N	20 N	9
DK/NA	*	-	*	*	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	*
<b>NET: Not following</b>	35	33	51 BDEFG	29	29	33	30	-	-	100	33	43 N	39 N	27

Comparison Groups: BCDEFG/HIJ/KLMN  
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Closely	24	16	22	30 BC	20	24	29	25	21	30 I	23	29 I	27 N	22
Somewhat	40	34	40	43 B	36	39	34	47 EFG	40	48	41	38	42	39
Not very much	20	25 D	21	17	28 GH	20	18	17	24 JL	10	21 J	16	17	22 M
Not at all	15	24 D	17 D	10	16	16 H	18 H	11	15	13	14	17	14	17
DK/NA	*	1	*	*	1	*	1	-	*	-	*	1	*	1
<b>NET: Not following</b>	35	50 CD	38 D	26	43 H	37 H	36 H	28	39 J	23	35 J	33 J	31	39 M

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Q2. When you think about this conflict between Israel and Hamas, which, if any, of the following feelings or emotions does it bring up for you personally?

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Sadness	56	56	51	59 CF	55	48	59	59 J	63 J	45	53	57	57	56
Anger	30	29	24	31 C	37 C	29	33 C	56 IJ	28 J	15	26	31	30	32
worry	28	34 F	32 F	27	28	22	28	34 J	31 J	23	28	32	27	28
Fear	14	17 C	8	17 C	13	12	14 C	18 J	16 J	8	14	15	13	14
Indifference	11	8	8	12	13	16 BC	12	8	8	19 HI	12	15 N	14 N	8
Hope	9	8	5	12 CF	9	4	12 CF	14 IJ	8	7	6	6	7	12 KLM
Disappointment	1	3 DF	1	1	-	*	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	*
Frustration	1	-	1	1	1	1	*	1 J	1 J	*	-	2	1	1
Disgust	1	-	*	1	-	3 C	1	2 J	1	*	3	*	*	1
Confusion	1	1	1	*	*	1	2	-	1	1	-	1	1	1
Other	3	2	1	5 BCEFG	1	*	1	4 J	3 J	1	7 MN	3 M	1	2
None of the above / no particular feelings/emotions	3	6	4	3	3	3	5	2	1	7 HI	2	5	4	2
DK/NA	3	4	2	4	2	3	2	1	1	7	6	2	3	2

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Anger	30	24	29	34 B	23	32	33	31	30	31	30	29	29	31
worry	28	22	30 B	31 B	28	28	34	30	29	31	29	26	26	31 M
Fear	14	10	14	15	18	15	16	11	13	18	14	13	10	17 M
Indifference	11	14 D	15 D	8	10	11	11	12	12	10	11	12	15 N	8
Hope	9	13 D	10	6	11 H	14 GH	7	5	8	9	8	11	7	11 M
Disappointment	1	*	2 B	1	1	-	1	1	1	2	1 L	*	1	1
Frustration	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	*	1	*
Disgust	1	1	1	*	1	*	1	*	1	2	1	*	1	*
Confusion	1	*	1	1	-	1	2	1	1	*	1	1	1	1
Other	3	1	3	3	9 FGH	2	2	1	2	4	2	4	3	3
None of the above / no particular feelings or emotions	3	4	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	2	3	5	5 N	2
DK/NA	3	3	3	3	5	3	4	1	3	3	3	4	2	4

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Q3. Where do your sympathies lie in the Middle East conflict between Israel and the Palestinians?

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Strongly pro-Palestinian	11	8	9	14 BCF	13	8	10	24 IJ	11 J	2	28 LMN	11 N	9	7
Somewhat pro-Palestinian	10	8	15 BDFG	9	16 FG	5	6	11 J	14 J	5	6	14 K	9	11
Somewhat pro-Israel	8	7	5	9 C	11	9	6	8	11 J	4	6	6	9	10 KL
Strongly pro-Israel	10	11 C	2	9 C	11 C	20 CD	17 CD	24 IJ	7	4	7	7	10	14 LM
Neutral	50	55	60 DEFG	47	42	46	50	27	51 H	66 HI	45	52	54	49
DK/NA	10	11	10	11	7	13	10	6	6	17 HI	7	10	9	9
<b>NET: Pro-Palestinian</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b> BFG	<b>23</b> BFG	<b>29</b> BFG	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b> IJ	<b>25</b> J	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b> MN	<b>25</b> N	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>NET: Pro-Israel</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b> C	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b> C	<b>22</b> C	<b>29</b> CD	<b>23</b> C	<b>32</b> IJ	<b>17</b> J	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b> KLM

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Somewhat pro-Israel	8	7	9	7	10	5	9	8	8	10	8	6	11 N	5
Strongly pro-Israel	10	11	11	9	11	8	10	10	10	12	11	9	12 N	8
Neutral	50	49	54	49	47	55	51	49	54 J	42	51 J	48	51	50
DK/NA	10	13	11	8	10	9	10 H	5	9	10	10	12	7	14 M
<b>NET: Pro-Palestinian</b>	21	20	15	27 BC	21	22	21	27 G	19	26 I	20	25 I	20	23
<b>NET: Pro-Israel</b>	18	18	20	17	22	14	19	18	18	21	19	15	23 N	13

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Q4. Would you say that the Canadian government’s foreign policy in the Middle East is too pro-Israel, too pro-Palestinian, or does it strike about the right balance?

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Canada is too pro-Israel	24	19	26 F	26 F	25	17	20	36 J	31 J	7	32 N	27 N	25 N	18
Canada is too pro-Palestinian	9	6	2	10 C	8	15 BC	12 C	19 IJ	7 J	3	5	7	10	10
Canada strikes the right balance	27	29	31 G	26	29	25	22	27	32 J	22	17	21	29 KL	36 KLM
DK/NA	41	46	41	37	39	43	45	18	30 H	67 HI	46	45 MN	36	35

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Canada strikes the right balance	27	25	27	28	30	27	22	30 G	30 L	25	29 L	21	28	27
DK/NA	41	50 D	44 D	34	47 H	41 H	43 H	29	40	37	39	43	34	47 M

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You were born in Canada, and both of your parents were born in Canada	60	81 DFG	75 DFG	44	80 DFG	65 DG	51	53	59	66 HI	41	60 K	61 K	67 KLM
You were born in Canada, and one or both of your parents were born in another country	16	9	4	23 BCEF	11	13 C	23 BCEF	20 J	19 J	10	26 L	12	16	16
You were born in another country	24	9	19 BE	32 BCEF	9	22 BE	24 BE	28	22	22	33 N	29 N	23 N	16
DK/NA	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	*	*	1	-	-	*	*

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You were born in Canada, and one or both of your parents were born in another country	16	16	17	15	12	14	14	17	-	100 K	21	-	17	15
You were born in another country	24	16	18	31 BC	23	31 H	23	22	-	-	-	100	25	22
DK/NA	1	1	*	1	1	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	1 N	*

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