

Canada

ISSP 1994 - Family and Changing Gender Roles II

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We hope very much that you will agree to participate in this important study - the twelfth in an annual series of surveys. The questions are also being asked in twenty-four other countries, as part of an international survey of social attitudes.

Completing the questionnaire

The questions inside cover a wide range of subjects, but each one can be answered simply by placing a tick or check () in one or more of the boxes provided. No special knowledge is required: we are confident that everyone will be able to offer an opinion on all questions. And we want all people to take part, not just those with strong views or particular viewpoints. The questionnaire should not take very long to complete (approximately 20 minutes), and we hope you will find it interesting and enjoyable. It should be completed by the person selected by the interviewer at your address. Your participation will be treated as confidential and anonymous.

Returning the questionnaire

Your interviewer will arrange with you the most convenient way of returning the questionnaire. If the interviewer has arranged to call back for it, please complete it and keep it safely until then.

Thank you for your help.

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To begin, we have some questions about women.

1. Do you agree or disagree... Please select one answer on each line

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	can't choose
a. A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work.						
b. A pre-school child is likely to suffer if his or her mother works						
c. All in all, family life suffers when the woman has a full-time job.						
d. A job is alright, but what most women really want is a home and children.						
e. Being a housewife is just as fulfilling as working for pay.						
f. Having a job is the best way for a woman to be an independent person.						
g. Most women have to work these days to support their families.						

2. And, do you agree or disagree... Please select one answer on each line

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	can't choose
a. Both the man and woman should contribute to the household income.						
b. A man's job is to earn money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family						
c. It is not good if the man stays at home and cares for the children and the woman goes out to work.						
d. Family life often suffers because men concentrate too much on their work.						

3. Do you think that women should work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all under these circumstances: Please select one answer on each line.

	Work Full-time	Work Part-time	Stay Home	Can't choose
a. After marrying and before there are children.				
b. When there is a child under school age.				
c. After the youngest child starts school.				
d. After the children leave home				

4. Do you agree or disagree...Please select one answer on each line

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	can't choose
a. Married people are generally happier than unmarried.						
b. The main advantage of marriage is that it gives financial security.						
c. The main purpose of marriage these days is to have children.						
d. It is better to have a bad marriage than no marriage at all.						
e. People who want children ought to get married.						
f. One parent can bring up a child as well as two parents together.						
g. It is alright for a couple to live together without intending to get married.						
h. It's a good idea for a couple who intend to get married to live together first.						
i. Divorce is usually the best solution when a couple can't seem to work out their marriage problems.						

5. All in all, what do you think is the ideal number of children for a family to have?
Ideal # of children _____

6. Do you agree or disagree..Please select one answer on each line

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	can't choose
a. Watching children grow up is life's greatest joy.						
b. Having children interferes too much with freedom of parents.						
c. People who have never had children lead empty lives.						
d. When there are children in the family, parents should stay together even if they don't get along.						
e. Even when there are no children, a married couple should stay together even if they don't get along.						

Please check one box for each question

7. Which of these would you say is more important in preparing children for life...

To be obedient ☐

or

To think for themselves ☐

Can't choose ☐

8. Did your mother ever work for pay for as long as one year after you were born and before you were 14?

Yes, she worked ☐

No ☐

Did not live with mother ☐

9. Is your mother still alive?

Yes (go to (a)) ☐

No ☐

9.(a) How often do you see or visit with your mother?

Lives in the same household ☐

Daily ☐

At least several times a week ☐

At least once a week ☐

At least once a month ☐

Several times a year ☐

Less often ☐

10. Were you ever divorced?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Never married ☐

Please answer this question if you are married or living as married.

11. Was your (current) spouse/partner ever divorced?

- Yes ☐
 No ☐
 Not married ☐

Please answer this question if you are married.

12. Did you live with your husband/wife before you got married?

- Yes ☐
 No ☐
 Not married ☐

13. Did you ever live together with a partner you didn't marry?

- Yes, with a previous partner ☐
 Yes, with my present partner ☐
 Yes, both with a previous partner and with my present partner ☐
 No, never ☐

14. Do you agree or disagree...**Please select one answer on each line**

	strongly agree	agree	neither agree nor disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	can't choose
a. Working women should receive paid maternity leave when they have a baby.						
b. Families should receive financial benefits for child care when both parents work.						
c. A pregnant woman should be able to obtain a legal abortion for any reason whatsoever, if she chooses not to have the baby						

15. Do you think it is wrong or not wrong if a man and a woman have sexual relations before marriage?

- Always wrong ☐
 Almost always wrong ☐
 Wrong only sometimes ☐
 Not wrong at all ☐
 Can't choose ☐

16. What if they are in their early teens, say under 16 years old, in that case is it...

- Always wrong ☐
- Almost always wrong ☐
- Wrong only sometimes ☐
- Not wrong at all ☐
- Can't choose ☐

17. What about a married person having sexual relations with someone other than his or her husband or wife. is it...

- Always wrong ☐
- Almost always wrong ☐
- Wrong only sometimes ☐
- Not wrong at all ☐
- Can't choose ☐

18. And what about sexual relations between two adults of the same sex, is it...

- Always wrong ☐
- Almost always wrong ☐
- Wrong only sometimes ☐
- Not wrong at all ☐
- Can't choose ☐

19. Sometimes at work people find themselves the object of sexual advances, propositions, or unwanted sexual discussions from co-workers or supervisors. The advances sometimes involve physical contact and sometimes just involve sexual conversations. Has this ever happened to you?

- Yes ☐
- No ☐
- Never have worked ☐

Please answer this question if you are currently married or living as married. If not currently married or living as married, please go to Q.23.

20. How do you and your spouse/partner organize the income that one or both of you receive? Please choose the option that comes closest.

I manage all the money and give my partner his/her share.

☐

My partner manages all the money and gives me my share.

☐

We pool all the money and each take what we need.

☐

We pool some of the money and keep the rest separate.

☐

We each keep our own money separate.

☐

Not married or living as married.

☐

Please answer if you are married or living as married.

21. In your household who does the following things...

Please select one answer on each line

	Always the woman	Usually the woman	Equal or together	Usually the man	Always the man	Done by a third person	Can't choose
a. Does the laundry							
b. Makes small repairs around the house							
c. Cares for sick family members							
d. Shops for groceries							
e. Decides what to have for dinner							

Please Answer this question if you are married or living as married and both of you are currently working for pay.

22. Who earns more money?

The man earns much more

☐

The man earns a bit more

☐

We earn about the same amount

☐

The woman earns a bit more

☐

The woman earns much more

☐

Please Answer This Question If You Ever Had Children

23a). Did you work outside the home full-time, part-time, or not at all...

Please select one answer on each line.

	worked full-time	worked part-time	stayed home	does not apply
a. After marrying and before you had children				
b. And what about when a child was under school age?				
c. After the youngest child started school				
d. And how about after the children left home				

23b) And what about your spouse/partner at that time--did he or she work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all...**Please select one answer on each line**

	worked full-time	worked part-time	stayed home	does not apply
a. After marrying and before you had children				
b. And what about when a child was under school age?				
c. After the youngest child started school				
d. And how about after the children left home				

NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT SOME STATEMENTS ABOUT HOW CANADIANS THINK ABOUT THE WAY SPECIFIC CANADIAN ISSUES AFFECT WOMEN.

24. Please select one answer for each line.

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	CAN'T CHOOSE
Some people say that at the federal level women tend to be less suited to politics						
Some people say that at the municipal level women tend to be less suited for politics						
Parties should have a rule that half their candidates in provincial or federal elections should be women						
There has been a major narrowing of the wage gap between women and men over the past 10 years						
The notion that women and men should have equal pay for work of equal value should be passed into law						
Women have a much better chance of getting a job in areas traditionally considered male dominated than they did 10 years ago						
Women in Canada are less likely to get an important job than women in other Western countries						
There is much more violence against women than there was 10 years ago						
The judicial system is more likely to come down harder on those who commit violence against women than it did 10 years ago						

**JUST A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOURSELF TO HELP US ANALYZE THE
INFORMATION YOU HAVE GIVEN US:**

25. Are you: Male ☐
Female ☐
26. What language do you normally speak at home?
English ☐
French ☐
English & French ☐
Other ☐
27. Please write down your exact age: _____
28. Are you: Married ☐
Widowed ☐
Divorced ☐
Separated ☐
Single ☐
Living with someone ☐
29. How far did you go in school?
Grade school ☐
Some high school ☐
Finished high school ☐
Some college/university ☐
Finished college ☐
Finished university ☐
Graduate school ☐
30. Are you: Employed full time (35 hours+ weekly) ☐
Employed part time(15-35 hours weekly) ☐
Help family member ☐
Unemployed ☐
Student/ In vocational training ☐
Retired ☐
Housewife/Home duties ☐
Permanently disabled ☐
Not working ☐

31. If you work, how many hours do you normally work in a week? _____

32. If you work, what is your occupation? _____

33. Do you supervise, or are you responsible for, the work of other people?

Yes ☐

No ☐

34. If you work, is your job in the public or private sector?

Work for government ☐
Work for publicly owned firm ☐
Work for private company ☐

35. If you work, are you self employed?

Yes ☐

No ☐

36. If you work, how many employees work for your firm or government department? _____

37. Are you a member of a trade union?

Yes ☐

No ☐

38. If you have a spouse or partner, what is her/his occupation?

Employed full time (35 hours+ weekly) ☐
Employed part time(15-35 hours weekly) ☐
Help family member ☐
Unemployed ☐
Student/ In vocational training ☐
Retired ☐
Housewife/Home duties ☐
Permanently disabled ☐
Not working ☐

39. If your spouse or partner works, what is their occupation? _____

40. What is the total income of your household?

- Under \$15,000.00 ☐
- \$15,000-\$24,999.00 ☐
- \$25,000-\$34,999.00 ☐
- \$35,000-\$44,999.00 ☐
- \$45,000-\$54,999.00 ☐
- \$55,000-\$64,999.00 ☐
- \$65,000-\$74,999.00 ☐
- \$75,000.00+ ☐

41. And in what range would your own personal income fall?

- Under \$15,000.00 ☐
- \$15,000-\$24,999.00 ☐
- \$25,000-\$34,999.00 ☐
- \$35,000-\$44,999.00 ☐
- \$45,000-\$54,999.00 ☐
- \$55,000-\$64,999.00 ☐
- \$65,000-\$74,999.00 ☐
- \$75,000.00+ ☐

42. Please write down the number of people who live in your household. _____

43. How would you describe the composition of your household?

- Single ☐
- One adult and one child ☐
- One adult and two children ☐
- One adult and three+ children ☐
- Two adults ☐
- Two adults and one child ☐
- Two adults and two children ☐
- Two adults and three+children ☐
- Three adults ☐
- Four adults ☐
- Four adults with children ☐
- Other ☐

44. Just as reference point, if you managed to vote in the last federal election, could you tell be which party you voted for?

PC	<input type="checkbox"/>
Liberal	<input type="checkbox"/>
NDP	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bloc Quebecois	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reform	<input type="checkbox"/>
Libertarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Confederation of regions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communist	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other party	<input type="checkbox"/>

45. And what about the provincial level: If you voted in the last provincial election which party did you vote for?

PC	<input type="checkbox"/>
Liberal	<input type="checkbox"/>
NDP	<input type="checkbox"/>
Partie Quebecois	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reform	<input type="checkbox"/>
Libertarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Confederation of regions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communist	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other party	<input type="checkbox"/>

46. To which ethnic or cultural groups did your ancestors belong?

French	<input type="checkbox"/>
English	<input type="checkbox"/>
German	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scottish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Italian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Irish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ukrainian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dutch/Netherlands	<input type="checkbox"/>
Polish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jewish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black	<input type="checkbox"/>
North American Indian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Metis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inuit/Eskimo	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

47. Could you tell us what, if any, church or religious group you belong to?
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48. If you are a member of a church or religious group, how often do you attend religious services?
- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Once a week | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 or 3 times a month | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Once a month | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Several times a year | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Less frequently | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Never | <input type="checkbox"/> |
49. Some people consider themselves to be members of a specific social class. Of the following groups, would you consider yourself a member of:
- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| The lower class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The working class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Upper working class/
lower middle class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Middle class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Upper middle class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Upper class | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No class affiliation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
50. Would you say you live in a :
- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Completely rural area | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A village | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A town | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A city | <input type="checkbox"/> |
51. In what province do you reside?
- | | |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| Newfoundland | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Nova Scotia | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| P.E.I. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| New Brunswick | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Quebec | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Ontario | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Manitoba | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Saskatchewan | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Alberta | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B.C. | <input type="checkbox"/> |

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION