

ISIS Questionnaire

We want to ask people about Canada's military mission against ISIS – the Islamic State – in Iraq.

Last fall, Canada sent military personnel to Iraq on a six month mission. That mission is set to expire at the end of March.

The Department of National Defense says in that time, Canadian fighter jets have completed more than 370 bombing runs over northern Iraq. It also says the mission has cost \$122 million. However, Canada's parliamentary budget officer says the cost is \$166 million.

The mission has claimed the life of one Canadian soldier, who was not killed in combat, but in a so-called "friendly fire" incident.

1. Based on what you've heard and seen, what best describes your opinion of Canada's military mission against ISIS in Iraq?

Strongly support
Support
Oppose
Strongly oppose
Not Sure

2. Now, this coming week the federal government will put a motion before Parliament to extend Canada's mission for another six months. In your opinion, do you think the Canadian Parliament should vote:

[Randomize]
To extend the Canadian mission against ISIS
To end the Canadian mission against ISIS

3. So far, the US is using air strikes against ISIS and supporting allies involved in direct combat there – but the US has not engaged in direct military involvement on the ground. If the US were to expand their mission to include active combat on the ground, what do you think Canada should do:

[Randomize top 2]
Stick to advisors/air only
Get involved on the ground
Canada should not be involved at all
Not sure/can't say

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4. Ultimately, do you think the US-led efforts against the Islamic State will be successful at defeating them?

Yes, it will ultimately succeed

Not entirely, but it is still worthwhile

The Islamic State will be hurt, but will still be dangerous

Efforts will fail, the Islamic State will remain a serious threat

Can't Say/don't know

5. And ultimately, do you think Canada being involved in the military efforts against the Islamic State make it:

Safer here in Canada

More dangerous

Have no real impact either way

Can't say/don't know

6. How much will the Canadian mission against ISIS be a factor for you in this year's federal election?
(Please use the 1 to 10 scale below; you can choose any number that best reflects how much of a factor this is for you.)

[1-10 Scale]

Left hand label = 1 – Not a factor at all

Right hand label = 10 – It's the deciding factor