

Canadians Health-Care Mindsets Scoring

QH4.

Base=All

Single choice

Recently some provinces have been proposing changes to the way they deliver health care.

Generally speaking, how do you feel about increasing the private delivery of care in your own province?

+2 More private care would improve the health-care system

-2 More private care will only worsen the health-care system

Not sure/Can't say

QH6a.

Base=[Ontario Only]

Single choice

Across the country, people are waiting for medical procedures such as surgeries and diagnostic tests. To address this, Ontario is having doctors at private, for-profit clinics perform some services, such as cataract, hip and knee surgeries and MRIs, which are paid for with public funds.

Overall, do you support or oppose idea for your own province?

+2 Strongly support

+1 Support

-1 Oppose

-2 Strongly oppose

Not sure/Can't say

QH6b.

Base=[Exclude Ontario]

Single choice

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Suppose your province came up with a similar plan, would you support or oppose this?

+2 Strongly support

+1 Support

-1 Oppose

-2 Strongly oppose

Not sure/Can't say

QH7.

Base=All

Single choice

Suppose your provincial government allowed patients to personally pay a private clinic out-of-pocket for faster access to some surgeries and diagnostic tests. Would you support or oppose this?

- +2 Strongly support
- +1 Support
- 1 Oppose
- 2 Strongly oppose
- Not sure/Can't say

Comparison with other countries

QH9.

Base=All

Single choice

In Australia, anyone can buy private health insurance that provides coverage for some services that aren't covered by the public health system as well as faster access to some hospital services in private hospitals.

Would you support or oppose your province adopting a system like this?

- +2 Strongly support
- +1 Support
- 1 Oppose
- 2 Strongly oppose
- Not sure/ Can't say

QH10.

Base=All

Single choice

Another aspect of the Australian system is that doctors who work primarily in the private system are also able to work in the publicly funded system as a contractor if they choose.

Would you support or oppose your province adopting a system like this?

- +2 Strongly support
- +1 Support
- 1 Oppose
- 2 Strongly oppose
- Not sure/ Can't say

QH11.

Base=All

Single choice

In Germany, everyone must have public health insurance. But people above a certain income threshold can opt out and buy private insurance instead. Private insurance covers more services than public health insurance and includes access to private hospital beds and faster appointments with specialists.

Would you support or oppose your province adopting a system like this?

- +2 Strongly support
- +1 Support
- 1 Oppose
- 2 Strongly oppose
- Not sure/ Can't say

QH12.

Base=All

Single choice

In the UK, everyone is covered by public health insurance. However, there are private hospitals, where anyone can pay for treatments that aren't offered by the public system, or that are subject to long wait times in the public system.

Would you support or oppose your province adopting a system like this?

- +2 Strongly support
- +1 Support
- 1 Oppose
- 2 Strongly oppose
- Not sure/ Can't say

QH14.

Base=All

Single choice grid

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Public health care has failed and it's time to try something different

- +2 Strongly agree
- +1 Agree
- 1 Disagree
- 2 Strongly disagree

Lower-income Canadians will suffer more if health care privatization increases

- 2 Strongly agree
- 1 Agree
- +1 Disagree
- +2 Strongly disagree

Don't know/ Can't say

Expanding the private health-care system will worsen staffing shortages in public health care

-2 Strongly agree

-1 Agree

+1 Disagree

+2 Strongly disagree

Don't know/ Can't say

Public Health Purists score -6 to -20

Curious but Hesitant score -5 to +5

Private Care Proponents score +6 to +20.