

**Angus Reid Institute**  
**Military and national service**  
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**Some questions have already been released.**

[Text]

In some countries – including Sweden, Norway, South Korea, and others – young adults are required to complete a period of “national service”. This may involve working in areas such as healthcare, education, community service, or the military, and is often for older teenagers (post high school) or people in their 20s.

**Q4.**  
**Base=All**  
**Single choice**

Now imagine Canada introduced a **one-year mandatory national service program** for people under 30. This would **not involve military training**. Instead, young adults would contribute in areas such as:

- Community service
- Health care or senior care
- Education or youth mentorship
- Emergency preparedness or firefighting

Please tell us how much you think this kind of program would affect each of the following:

Social cohesion in Canada  
The quality of public services  
The personal development of younger adults

Greatly improve this  
Improve this  
Worsen this  
Greatly worsen this  
Not sure/Can't say

**Q5.**  
**Base=All**  
**Single choice**

Now imagine Canada introduced a **one-year mandatory service program** that **did involve military training and service**, for people under 30. Participants would serve in branches such as:

- The Canadian Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force)
- Cybersecurity and cyber defense
- Logistics or disaster response units

Please tell us how much you think this kind of program would affect each of the following:

Social cohesion in Canada  
The quality of public services  
The personal development of younger adults

Greatly improve this  
Improve this  
Worsen this  
Greatly worsen this  
Not sure/Can't say

**Q6.**  
**Base=All**  
**Single choice**

If Canada were to introduce one form of mandatory national service for young adults, which would you prefer?

Civilian service (e.g., community, health, education, emergency response)  
Military service (e.g., Armed Forces, cyber defense, logistics)  
Neither  
Not sure / Can't say

**Q7.**  
**Base=All**  
**Single choice**

Putting this another way, would you support or oppose Canada having one year of mandatory service for people younger than 30 in any of these areas?

Civil protection – disaster response, emergency management, firefighting, etc.  
Military service – trained with the armed forces  
Public health support – in hospitals, elderly care, etc.  
Environmental support – work with Parks Canada, conservation efforts, etc.  
Youth services – tutoring, mentorship, after-school programs, etc.

Strongly support  
Support  
Oppose  
Strongly oppose  
Not sure/Can't say