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Context, Objectives & Methodology

Fondation Émergence mandated Léger to find out how Quebecers and Canadians accept the sexual or gender identity of their loved ones who belong to a sexual minority (homosexual, bisexual or pansexual, trans or non-binary, or other), and also to measure awareness of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia and its awareness campaigns.

Methodology

This study was conducted online from April 9 to April 13, 2020 with a random sample of 1,508 Canadians from *LEO's* panel. All respondents were 18 years of age and older and could speak French or English.

Using the latest census data from Statistics Canada, the results were weighted according to gender, age, region, mother tongue, minors in the household, and level of education in order to obtain a sample representative of the entire adult population in Canada.

Note to Reader

- Since data presented in tables has been rounded up, column totals might differ from 100%.
- In graphics and tables presented, data in **bold green** indicate a significantly **higher** proportion than that of other respondents. Inversely, data in **bold red** indicate a proportion significantly **lower** than that of other respondents. The green and red arrows (↑ ↓) indicate statistically significant variations from the results obtained in 2005, where applicable.

The background of the slide is a blurred photograph of a business meeting. Two people are seated at a table, each with a pen in hand, writing in a notebook. In the foreground, there are several sheets of paper with blue bar charts and line graphs. The charts show various data points, with some bars labeled with numbers like '410', '420', '430', '440', '450', '460', '470', '480', '490', '500'. The overall scene suggests a professional environment focused on data analysis and reporting.

Detailed Results



1. People who belong to another sexual or gender minority:
Knowing someone in the immediate family and acceptance

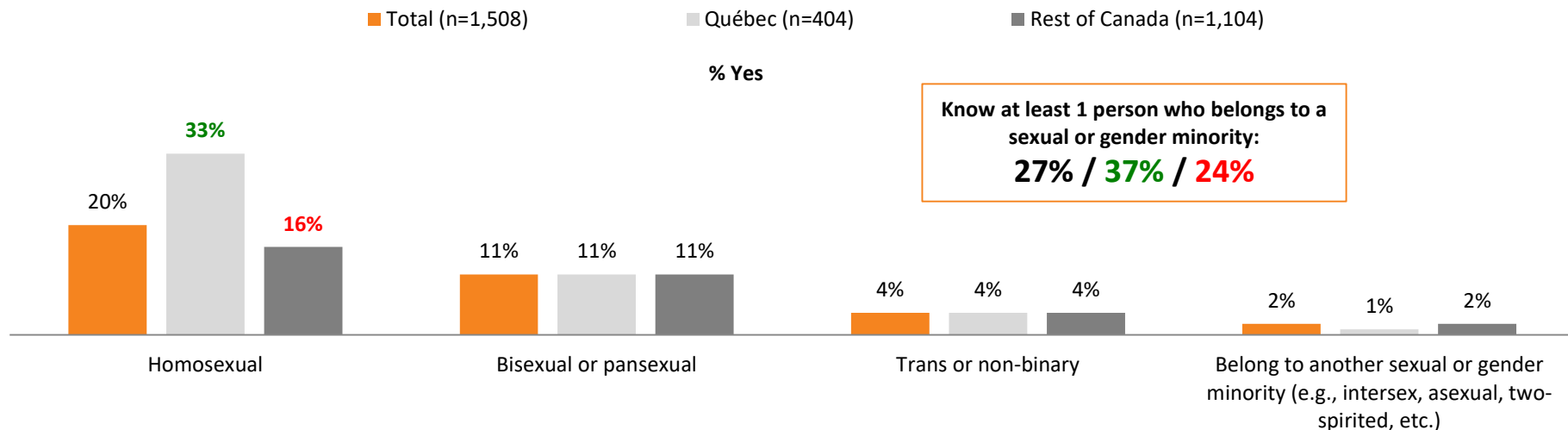
Knowing people who belong to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family

– Summary

- Slightly more than one quarter of Canadians (27%) know at least one person who belongs to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family, with 20% who know someone who is homosexual.
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers (37%) than among residents in the rest of Canada (24%).

CFE1R1-CFE1R4. In your immediate family, do you know any people who are...?

Base: All respondents



Knowing homosexual people in their immediate family – Detailed results

CFE1R1. In your immediate family, do you know any people who are...?

Homosexual

| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 20% | 22% | 33% | 16% | 19% | 9% | 19% |
| No | 78% | 73% | 67% | 82% | 79% | 88% | 77% |
| I prefer not to answer | 2% | 5% | - | 2% | 3% | 3% | 4% |

The proportion of respondents who know homosexual people (20%) in their immediate family is significantly higher among:

- 55-64 year-olds (25%)
- Francophones (38%)
- Residents of Québec (33%)
- Those who also know people who are bisexual or pansexual (50%), trans or non-binary (65%) or who belong to another sexual or gender minority (83%) in their immediate family
- Those who have heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (35%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaigns (32%)

Knowing bisexual or pansexual people in their immediate family

– Detailed results

CFE1R2. In your immediate family, do you know any people who are...?

Bisexual or pansexual

| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 11% | 15% | 11% | 11% | 10% | 14% | 10% |
| No | 87% | 84% | 89% | 88% | 88% | 83% | 88% |
| I prefer not to answer | 2% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 2% |

The proportion of respondents who know bisexual or pansexual people (11%) in their immediate family is significantly higher among:

- 18-24 year-olds (18%)
- People who have children (14%)
- Students (17%)
- Respondents with a primary or high school level education (14%)
- Those who also know people who are homosexual (27%), trans or non-binary (49%) or who belong to another sexual or gender minority (67%) in their immediate family
- Those who have heard of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (16%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaign (18%)

Knowing trans or non-binary people in their immediate family

– Detailed results

CFE1R3. In your immediate family, do you know any people who are...?

Trans or non-binary

| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 4% | 3% | 4% | 5% | 4% | 2% | 7% |
| No | 94% | 95% | 95% | 94% | 95% | 95% | 89% |
| I prefer not to answer | 2% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 5% |

The proportion of respondents who know trans or non-binary (4%) people in their immediate family is significantly higher among:

- 25-34 year-olds (7%)
- Respondents with a gross annual income of less than \$40K (7%)
- People who are unemployed (10%)
- Respondents with a university level education (6%)
- Those who also know people who are homosexual (14%), bisexual or pansexual (19%) or who belong to another sexual or gender minority (69%) in their immediate family
- Those who have heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (7%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaigns (8%)

Knowing people who belong to another sexual or gender minority in their immediate family – Detailed results

CFE1R4. In your immediate family, do you know any people who...?

Belong to another sexual or gender minority (e.g., intersex, asexual, two-spirited, etc.)

| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 2% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% |
| No | 96% | 97% | 98% | 96% | 97% | 96% | 95% |
| I prefer not to answer | 2% | 1% | - | 2% | 2% | 2% | 4% |

The proportion of respondents who know people who belong to another sexual or gender minority (2%) in their immediate family is significantly higher among:

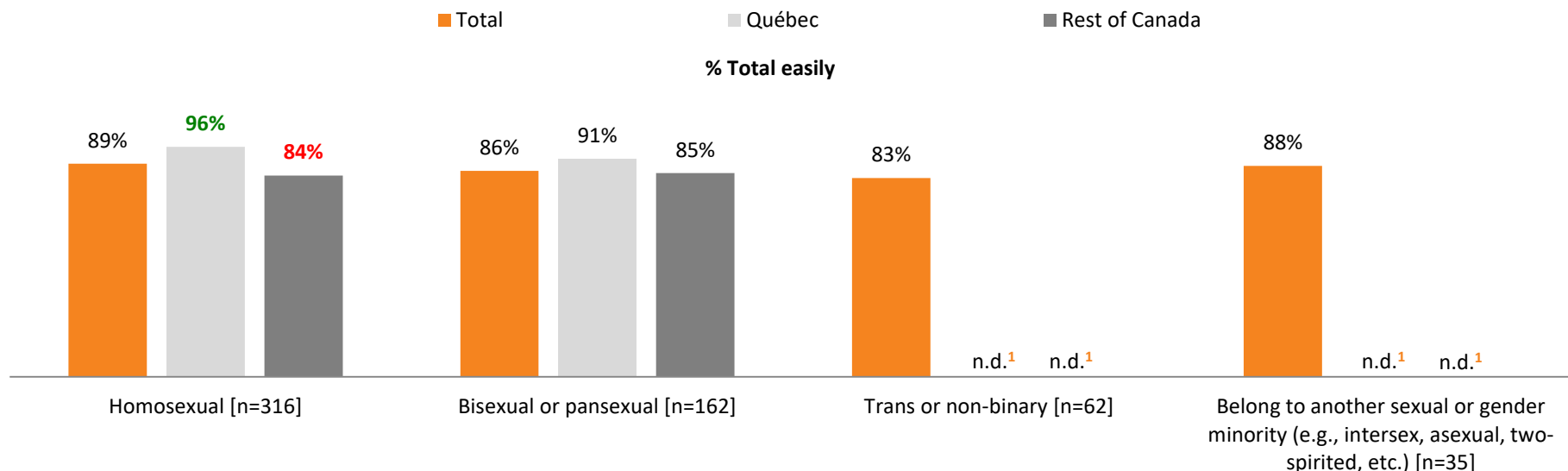
- 25-34 year-olds (4%)
- Respondents with a university level education (4%)
- Those who also know people who are homosexual (8%), bisexual or pansexual (11%) or trans or non-binary (31%) in their immediate family
- Those who have heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (4%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaigns (5%)

Easily accepting when a loved ones reveals their sexual or gender identity – Summary

- Overall, a vast majority of Canadians (83% to 89%) said they accepted (very easily + easily) the sexual or gender identity of someone close to them when it was revealed.
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers than among residents in the rest of Canada.
 - There is no significant difference in acceptance according to the loved one's sexual or gender identity.

CFE2R1-CFE2R4. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted? ¹

Base: Respondents who know someone who belongs to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family



¹ Detail results are not presented for the last two strata because the sample size is too small.

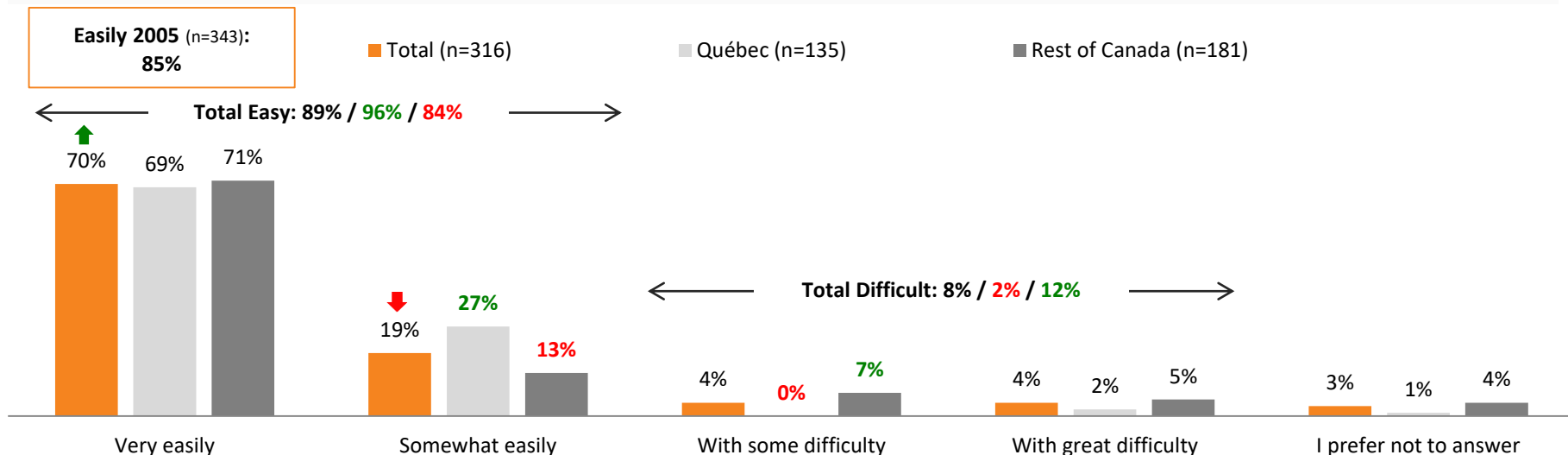
Easily accepting sexual or gender identity when revealed

Of your homosexual loved ones

- A vast majority of Canadians (89% vs. 85% in 2005) said they accepted (very easily + easily) the sexual or gender identity of their homosexual loved one(s) when it was revealed: 70% said they very easily accepted this (vs. 35% in 2005; a significant increase).
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers (96%) than among residents in the rest of Canada (84%).

CFE2R1. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted?

Base: Respondents who know homosexual people in their immediate family



Easily accepting sexual or gender identity when revealed

Of your homosexual loved ones – continued

CFE2R1. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted?

| Base: Respondents who know <u>homosexual</u> people in their immediate family | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|---|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| n= | 316 | 21* | 135 | 94 | 26* | 16* | 24* |
| TOTAL EASY | 89% | 89% | 96% | 86% | 86% | 65% | 81% |
| Very easily | 70% | 85% | 69% | 73% | 60% | 62% | 64% |
| Somewhat easily | 19% | 4% | 27% | 13% | 27% | 3% | 16% |
| TOTAL DIFFICULT | 8% | 11% | 2% | 10% | 10% | 26% | 14% |
| With some difficulty | 4% | 8% | - | 7% | 10% | 4% | 5% |
| With great difficulty | 4% | 3% | 2% | 2% | - | 23% | 9% |
| I prefer not to answer | 3% | - | 1% | 4% | 3% | 8% | 6% |

The proportion of respondents who say that when they learned about the situation, they easily accepted (89%) the sexual or gender identity of their homosexual loved one(s) is significantly higher among:

- Francophones (97%)
- Residents of Québec (96%)
- Respondents with a gross annual household income of \$100K or more (95%)
- Professionals (96%)
- Those who have heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (94%)

* Small sample size (n<30). Please note that the results in italics are presented for information purposes only.

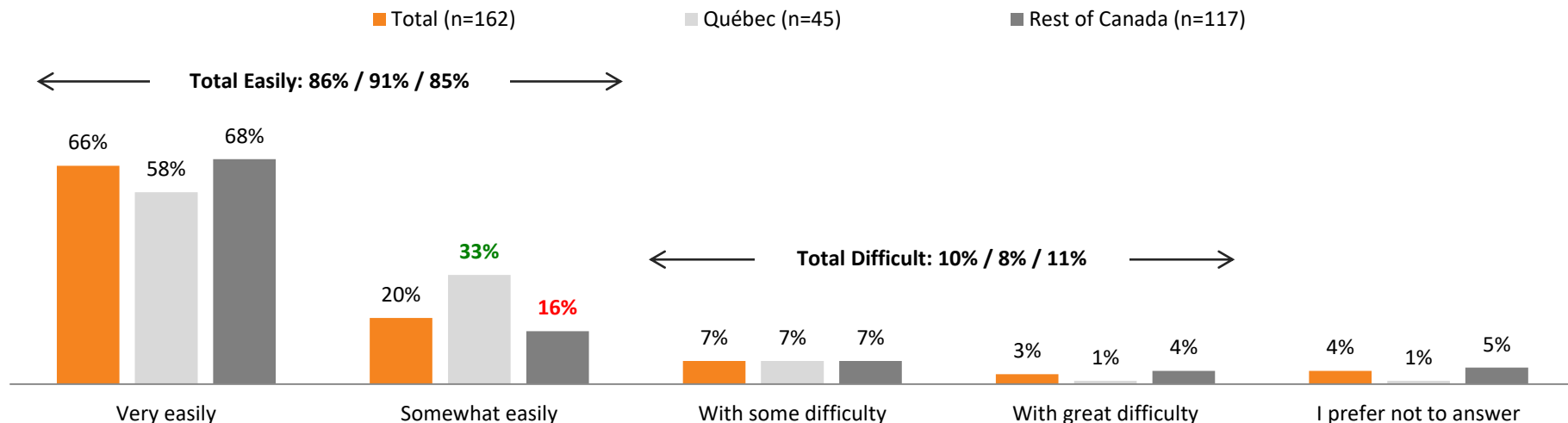
Easily accepting sexual or gender identity when revealed

Of your bisexual or pansexual loved ones

- A vast majority of Canadians (86%) said they accepted (very easily + easily) the sexual or gender identity of their bisexual or pansexual, loved ones when it was revealed, 66% said they accepted this very easily.

CFE2R2. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted?

Base: Respondents who know bisexual or pansexual people in their immediate family



Easily accepting sexual or gender identity when revealed

Of your bisexual or pansexual loved one(s) – continued

CFE2R2. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted?

| Base: Respondents who know people who are <u>bisexual or pansexual</u> in their immediate family | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|--|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| n= | 162 | 12* | 45 | 63 | 12* | 16* | 14* |
| TOTAL EASY | 86% | 84% | 91% | 93% | 92% | 65% | 79% |
| Very easily | 66% | 74% | 58% | 75% | 65% | 50% | 67% |
| Somewhat easily | 20% | 10% | 33% | 18% | 28% | 15% | 12% |
| TOTAL DIFFICULT | 10% | 16% | 8% | 4% | 8% | 16% | 21% |
| With some difficulty | 7% | 8% | 7% | 4% | 8% | - | 21% |
| With great difficulty | 3% | 8% | 1% | - | - | 16% | - |
| I prefer not to answer | 4% | - | 1% | 3% | - | 19% | - |

The proportion of respondents who say that when they learned about the situation, they easily accepted (86%) the sexual or gender identity of their bisexual or pansexual loved one(s) is significantly higher among:

- People who are actively employed (91%)
- Those who have heard about the Internal Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (96%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaigns(98%)

Easily accepting your loved one(s) gender or sexual identity when revealed

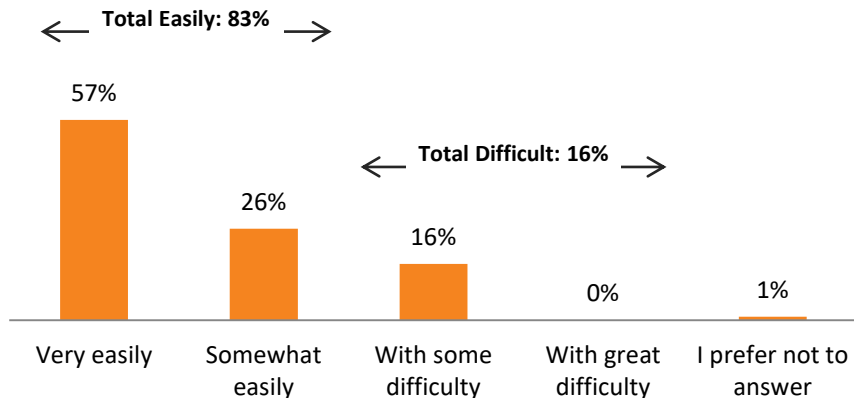
Of your trans or non-binary loved ones / Of your loved ones belonging to another sexual or gender minority

- A vast majority of Canadians said that when they learned about the sexual or gender identity of their loved one(s) who are trans or non-binary (83%) or their loved one(s) who belong to another sexual or gender minority (88%), they easily (very easily + easily) accepted this situation.

CFE2R3. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted? ¹

Base: Respondents who know people who are trans or non-binary in their immediate family

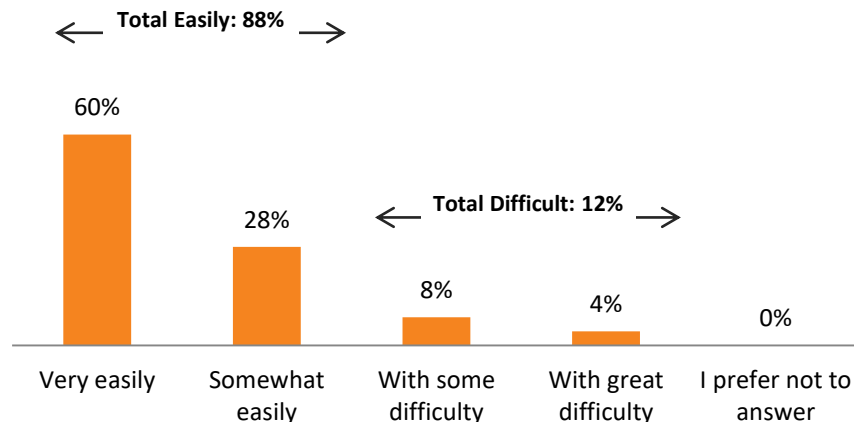
■ Total (n=62)



CFE2R4. When you learned of the gender identity of your loved one(s), was this a situation that you accepted? ¹

Base: Respondents who know people who belong to another sexual or gender minority in their immediate family

■ Total (n=35)



¹ Detailed results are not presented given the small sample size.

Accepting the union of a close family member with a person of the same sex

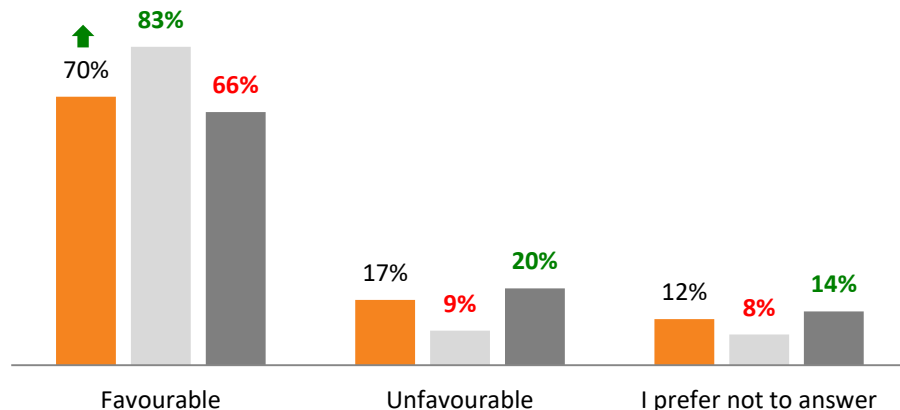
- Seven in ten Canadians (70% vs. 57% in 2005; a significant increase) would have a favourable view of a union between a close family member and a person of the same sex, while 17% would have an unfavourable view.
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers (83%) than among residents in the rest of Canada (66%).

CFE3. If a close family member, such as a brother or sister, told you about their intention to marry someone of the same sex, would you have a favourable or unfavourable view of this union?

Base: All respondents

■ Total (n=1,508) ■ Québec (n=404) ■ Rest of Canada (n=1,104)

Favourable 2005 (n=1,507):
57%



| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Favourable | 70% | 73% | 83% | 66% | 61% | 60% | 72% |
| Unfavourable | 17% | 15% | 9% | 19% | 30% | 27% | 15% |
| I prefer not to answer | 12% | 13% | 8% | 16% | 9% | 13% | 12% |

The proportion of respondents who would have an unfavourable view (17%) of the union of a close family member with a person of the same sex is significantly higher among:

- Men (26%)
- Anglophones (19%) and allophones (27%)
- Residents of Manitoba or Saskatchewan (30%) and residents of Alberta (27%)
- People who have children (21%)
- Respondents with a gross annual household income of \$80K to \$99K (24%)
- Those who do not know anyone who belongs to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family (21%)
- Those who have not heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (19%)



2. Awareness of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia and its awareness campaigns

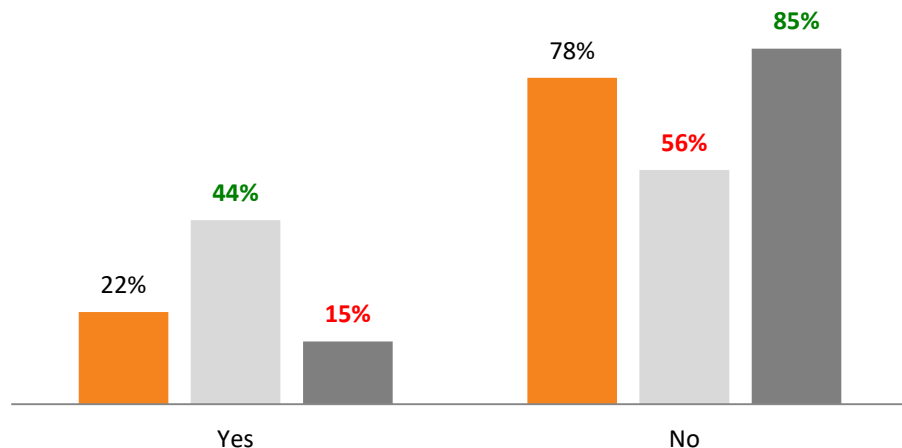
Awareness of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia

- One-fifth of Canadians (22%) have heard of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, which takes place on May 17.
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers (44%) than among residents in the rest of Canada (15%).

CFE4. Have you ever heard of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, which takes place on May 17?

Base: All respondents

■ Total (n=1,508) ■ Québec (n=404) ■ Rest of Canada (n=1,104)



| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 22% | 24% | 44% | 17% | 10% | 13% | 10% |
| No | 78% | 76% | 56% | 83% | 90% | 87% | 90% |

The proportion of respondents who have heard of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (22%) is significantly higher among:

- 25-34 year-olds (34%)
- Francophones (49%)
- Residents of Quebec (44%)
- Respondents with a gross annual household income of \$100K or more (26%)
- People who work in services / sales / offices (29%) and students (30%)
- Respondents with a university level education (26%)
- Those who know at least one person who belongs to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family (34%)
- Those who have seen at least one of the awareness campaigns (62%)

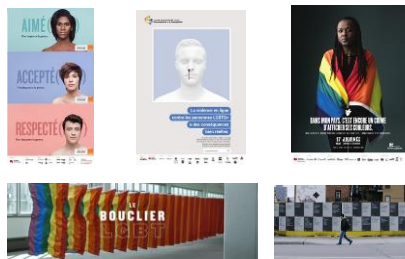
Aided awareness of advocacy campaigns

- 13% of Canadians have seen one or more of the awareness campaigns for the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia.
 - This proportion is significantly higher among Quebecers (22%) than among residents in the rest of Canada (10%).

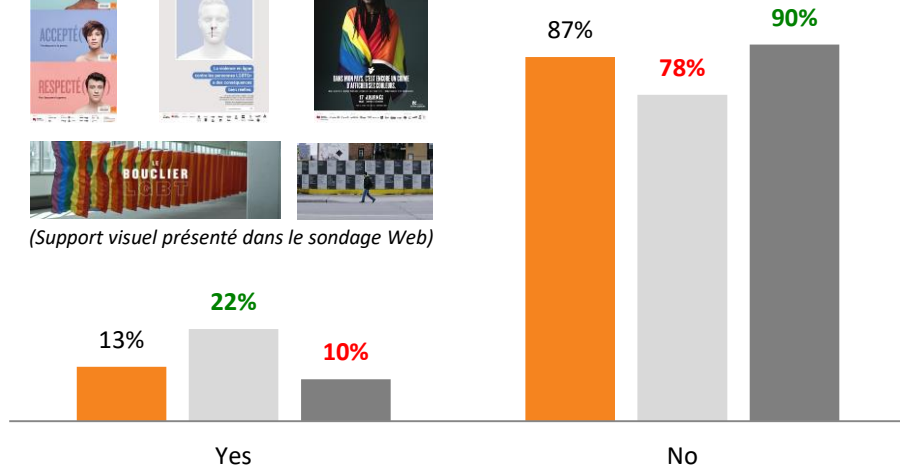
CFE5. In recent years, there have been awareness campaigns for the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia. Examples of materials (poster, pamphlet and video) used in these campaigns are presented below. Have you seen any of these awareness campaigns in the past few years?

Base: All respondents

■ Total (n=1,508) ■ Québec (n=404) ■ Rest of Canada (n=1,104)



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| Base: All respondents | Total Canada | Atlantic | Québec | Ontario | MB/SK | Alberta | British Columbia |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|
| n= | 1,508 | 100 | 404 | 601 | 127 | 125 | 151 |
| Yes | 13% | 5% | 22% | 12% | 11% | 8% | 7% |
| No | 87% | 95% | 78% | 88% | 89% | 92% | 93% |

The proportion of respondents who have seen (13%) one or more of the awareness campaigns is significantly higher among:

- 18-24 year-olds (26%)
- Francophones (22%)
- Residents of Quebec (22%)
- People who have children (17%)
- Students (27%)
- Respondents with a university level education (17%)
- Those who know at least one person who belongs to a sexual or gender minority in their immediate family (20%)
- Those who have heard about the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (36%)

Profile of Respondents

Profile of respondents

| | TOTAL |
|-----------------------|-------|
| n= | 1,508 |
| Gender | |
| Male | 49% |
| Female | 51% |
| Age | |
| 18 to 24 | 11% |
| 25 to 34 | 17% |
| 35 to 44 | 15% |
| 45 to 54 | 18% |
| 55 to 64 | 18% |
| 65 or over | 21% |
| Language | |
| Francophones | 21% |
| Anglophones | 66% |
| Other | 13% |
| Education | |
| Primary / High school | 32% |
| College | 41% |
| University | 27% |
| Children | |
| Yes | 27% |
| No | 72% |

| | TOTAL |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| n= | 1,508 |
| Region | |
| Atlantic | 7% |
| Québec | 23% |
| Ontario | 38% |
| Prairies (Manitoba, Saskatchewan) | 7% |
| Alberta | 11% |
| British Columbia | 14% |
| Occupation | |
| Service / Sales / Office | 22% |
| Manual worker | 10% |
| Professional | 20% |
| Homemaker | 3% |
| Student | 8% |
| Retired | 26% |
| Unemployed | 5% |
| Household Income | |
| -\$40K | 23% |
| \$40K-\$59K | 18% |
| \$60K-\$79K | 14% |
| \$80K-\$99K | 12% |
| \$100K or over | 23% |
| Refusal | 10% |

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