

REFUGEE PROJECT - OPEN-ENDED CODING

PUBLIC OPINION QUESTIONNAIRE

Q. 11b Why do you think they [*refugees and other immigrants*] would adjust better in such [*larger/mid-sized/smaller*] communities?

- 02 Easier to get around/accessibility
- 03 Pace of life is slower/less confusing/less overwhelming
- 04 Easier to make friends/more personal/friendly/easier to adapt
- 05 Less discrimination/prejudice
- 06 People are more open-minded/tolerant/more welcoming of diversity/newcomers
- 07 Better quality of life/less crime, drugs, gangs
- 08 More chances to learn to speak English
- 09 Less likely to stick with own cultural group/have to integrate faster
- 10 Not as easy to stay anonymous/get lost in the crowd
- 20 Mid-sized communities are best/a compromise (various reasons)
- 30 Reasons unspecified
- 31 More jobs/opportunities/businesses
- 32 Better educational opportunities
- 33 Less culture shock
- 34 More activities to participate in
- 35 More cosmopolitan/less culture shock
- 36 More anonymity/don't stand out as much
- 39 More support from agencies
- 40 More people from same cultural/ethnic background
- 50 Most refugees/immigrants come from large cities/large populations
- 60 Community size doesn't matter - they will adjust anywhere
- 61 ... doesn't matter - depends on other community characteristics
- 62 ... doesn't matter - depends on size of city they came from
- 64 ... doesn't matter - depends on the individual (skills/education/language ability)
- 65 ... doesn't matter - depends on whether they are with others like themselves
- 90 Other answers - not related to size of community
- 97 Don't know
- 98 No response
- 99 Not applicable

Q. 16 As far as you know, what part of the world (what country or region) do you think most refugees or immigrants come from?

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| 01 | All over/from everywhere | | |
| 02 | It depends (on the era/different part of the country) | | |
| 03 | Third world countries | | |
| 10 | Asia | 20 | Southeast Asia |
| 11 | Orient/Far East/East Asia | 21 | India/East India |
| 12 | China | 22 | Pakistan |
| 13 | Hong Kong | | |
| 14 | Japan | | |
| 15 | Korea | | |
| 25 | Pacific Rim | 35 | Africa |
| 26 | Cambodia | 36 | Bosnia |
| 27 | Indonesia | 37 | Somalia |
| 28 | Malaysia | 38 | Ethiopia |
| 29 | Philippines | 39 | Libya |
| 30 | Thailand | 40 | Rwanda |
| 31 | Vietnam | 41 | South Africa |
| 45 | South America/Latin America | 50 | Central America |
| 46 | Brazil | 51 | El Salvador |
| 47 | Chile | 52 | Cuba |
| | | 53 | Honduras |
| | | 54 | Mexico |
| 60 | Europe/Western Europe | | |
| 61 | England/Scotland/Ireland/Wales | | |
| 62 | Germany/France/Holland | | |
| 65 | Eastern Europe/Eastern Bloc | 70 | Balkans/Central Europe |
| 66 | Czechoslovakia | 71 | Afghanistan |
| 67 | Hungary | 72 | Turkey |
| 68 | Poland | 73 | Yugoslavia |
| 69 | Romania | | |
| 75 | Middle East/Arab countries | 80 | United States |
| 76 | Iraq | 81 | West Indies/Caribbean |
| 77 | Lebanon | | |
| 90 | Other (e.g., Newfoundland/Communist countries/Northern Hemisphere) | | |
| 97 | Don't know/not sure/no idea | | |
| 98 | No response | | |

Q. 17 In your opinion, why do you think immigrants and refugees from other countries want to come to Canada?

- 01 Have been told life is good here/the “promised land”/”land of milk and honey”
- 02 Canada has an excellent reputation internationally
- 10 Better life/jobs/to get ahead/improve themselves/better standard of living/
more opportunities
- 11 More opportunities for their children
- 12 Better quality of life/nice place to live/wonderful country/best country
- 13 Canada is a friendly/tolerant/civilized country
- 14 More cultural diversity in Canada
- 15 Fewer people/more space
- 16 Better social services/education system
- 20 Leaving war/politics/persecution behind
- 21 Freedom/democracy/safety and security
- 22 Get away from poverty in their home country
- 23 A chance to start over
- 30 Better than the United States
- 31 Better than European countries
- 40 To join their families already here
- 41 Easy life/go on welfare/take advantage of what we have/abuse the system
- 42 Canada is easy to get into/lax immigration policy
- 43 Messed up their own country and looking for another/
criminals trying to get into another country
- 90 Other answers - not related to question
- 97 Don't know
- 98 No response
- 99 Not applicable

Q. 18a Do you think that immigrants and refugees value their Canadian citizenship after they get it?

Q. 18b [If “yes”] Why?

- 01 They do/they appreciate it/they like it/they feel lucky/I know it
- 02 It's why they came/want to be Canadian/want Canadian status/proud to be
Canadian
- 03 They should/it's an honour
- 04 They worked hard/struggled
- 05 don't want to be deported/want permanent status here
- 06 easy to get
- 07 to sponsor others
- 10 better than where they came from/fewer hardships/no war/less oppression/lower
standard of living

- 11 Canada is a beautiful/good/great/safe/best country/not a bad place
- 12 more opportunities here/better future/lifestyle
- 13 jobs
- 14 health care
- 15 to travel/get passport
- 16 to vote
- 17 they have respect for our laws
- 18 they get involved in the community/fall in love with culture/belonging/part of something greater
- 19 freedom
- 20 education benefits
- 25 they get it for free
- 26 it's a convenience
- 27 ulterior motives/wrong reasons/to take advantage of social safety net
- 28 lower graduate student fees at university

- 96 Other answers not related to question
- 97 don't know
- 98 no answer
- 99 Not Applicable

- many responses look as though they were miscoded as 18b – they are actually 18c -- USE 18c Codes.

- **Q. 18a Do you think that immigrants and refugees value their Canadian citizenship after they get it?**

Q. 18c [If “yes”] Why not?

- 60 They don't.
- 61 Take it for granted/don't appreciate what Canada has to offer
- 62 Refuse to change/cling to own culture
- 63 Bring political problems with them
- 64 Refuse to speak/learn our language
- 65 Unlawful/criminals
- 66 Arrogant/taking over/pushy
- 67 No true allegiance/wouldn't fight for Canada/more loyal to first country
- 69 Get \$ and go back/send \$ back
- 70 Think Canada owes them a living/only want social benefits
- 71 just want to sponsor relatives
- 97 Don't know
- 98 No answer
- 99 Not Applicable

[If respondent answered “yes” to Q. 22a: “Do you think refugees or immigrants need any special programs and services to help them adjust to Canada?”]

Q. 22b What kinds of programs or services do they need?

- 01 They should get (various) programs or services, but should have to pay for them
- 02 Refugees need programs/services, but not immigrants
- 10 Cultural orientation/how we live here in Canada
- 11 Training in Canadian citizenship/identity/history
- 12 Orientation to the Canadian political/legal system
- 13 Language training/ESL
- 14 Communication skills
- 15 General assistance to get adjusted/make the transition
- 16 Programs to help them fit into the community/feel welcome/get involved
- 17 Assistance from other refugees/immigrants (who know what it is like)
- 18 Programs that encourage multiculturalism (while still promoting integration)
- 19 Assistance in setting up places of worship
- 20 Job training/job search/vocational services
- 21 Financial assistance
- 22 Housing assistance
- 23 Family/counseling services
- 24 Assistance in sponsoring spouses/children/relatives
- 30 Orientation to financial system/services, business system
- 31 Orientation to/assistance in dealing with government/bureaucracy
- 32 Orientation to their rights/entitlements
- 33 Orientation to the Canadian labour market/workplace
- 34 Orientation/services especially for women
- 35 Orientation in adapting to our climate
- 36 Driving lessons/access to transportation
- 40 Access to Canadian pensions/employment insurance/etc.
- 41 Access to Canadian medical/social/educational benefits
- 90 Other responses - not relevant to question
- 97 Don't know
- 98 No response
- 99 Not applicable