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Public Opinion Survey: Opinions about Immigration, Immigrants and Refugees

In your opinion, do you feel there are too many, too few or about the right number of immigrants coming to Canada? (200,000 to 225,000 per year)	<u>Too Many</u> 39%	<u>Right Number</u> 44%	<u>Too Few</u> 12%	<u>Don't Know</u> 5%	<u>Total</u> 100%		
Does Canada's Immigration Policy provide a good balance of people and backgrounds coming to Canada, or does it allow too many people of different races and cultures into Canada?	<u>Good Balance</u> 66%	<u>Too Many Races/Cultures</u> 24%		<u>Don't Know</u> 10%	<u>Total</u> 100%		
Under the current immigration policy, immigrants and refugees are allowed to sponsor immediate family members (spouses and children) who want to come to Canada. Do you think they would be able to sponsor such family members, or not?	<u>Yes, Should be able to Sponsor</u> 79%	<u>No, Should not be able to Sponsor</u> 18%		<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>Total</u> 100%		
Not all immigrants or refugees can speak English or French. Do you think immigration should be restricted to only those who can speak English or French, or should we also accept individuals who speak neither of the official languages?	<u>Eng/French Only</u> 19%	<u>Admit Others</u> 76%	<u>Restrict to English</u> 3%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>Total</u> 100%		
Should refugees or immigrant parents have to pay for "English as a second language training" for their children who can't speak English?	<u>Yes, Both Groups</u> 42%	<u>Only Immigrants</u> 2%	<u>Only Refugees</u> <1%	<u>Both if Affordable</u> 16%	<u>Neither</u> 37%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>Total</u> 100%

Note: City differences were not significant for all six questions.