Table 7-8 Adult Refugees' Openness to Cultural Diversity and Immigration by Region of Origin

		% Agree and % Strongly Agree [#]						
		C	entral/South	East	Former	Middle	Total	(N)
		Africa	America	Asia	Yugoslavia	East		
It's good for ethnic groups in Canada to	А	12	22	44	17	22	19 *	
keep their first (heritage) language(s).	SA	74	71	38	72	65	70	(524)
I would like to keep cultural traditions	//// <i>A</i> ///	<u> </u>	25	25	<u> </u>	x9		in an
from my home country.	SA	77	69	44	62	67	64	(523)
My spouse would like me to keep the	A	13	34	42	18	14	20	
cultural traditions from my home country.	SA	75	53	33	55	75	58	(386)
Having many different cultural groups is	III AIII	1111118	39	60		23	26*	
good for Canada.	SA	65	53	33	47	59	50	(515)
Being in a multicultural society is one of	Α	18	31	50	26	18	26 *	
the things I like best about living in Canada.	SA	77	55	38	36	66	45	(513)
People who come to Canada should	III (A)		***	25		17		
change their ways to be more like average								
Canadians	SA	29	-4	13	21	8	47	(518)
I feel like a real Canadian.	Α	9	15	13	15	12	14 *	
	SA	44	23	13	14	37	21	(515)
I feel that there are too many immigrants	IIIA IIII	21	10	 3 \$\$	9	17	<u> </u>	
coming to Canada.	SA	21	6	19	8	14	10	(505)
Having many different cultural groups in	Α	9	16	13	7	18	10 *	
Canada makes it difficult to develop a sense of unity among Canadians	SA	9	4	20	6	5	6	(506)
Maximum 'N' in each category		(34)	(48)	(16)	(329)	(88)	(525)	

Respondents answered on a 1-5 scale with '1' representing "Strongly Disagree" and '5' representing "Strongly Agree". Only values of '4' (Agree) and '5' (Strongly Agree) are shown in table. Ten refugees from Poland are included in the TOTAL percentages, but results for these individuals are not presented separately because of the small N.

* Region differences are statistically significant.

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