







The research gauged the opinions of Ontarians on the importance of the arts in improving quality of life, mental health, as well as opinions towards the arts as related to community, diversity, identity and government investment.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Ontarians, 18 years of age or older, between February 26th and March 2nd, 2023, as part of an omnibus survey.

The research was commissioned by the Ontario Arts Council and was conducted by Nanos Research.

Key Findings

1

Ontarians believe the arts are important for a high quality of life

Although Ontarians are worried about paying for housing and groceries in this post-pandemic period, a strong majority still think arts are very important (40%) or somewhat important (40%) to improve their quality of life and their mental health (41% very important, 38% somewhat important). Additionally, Over eight in ten say it is very important (45%) or somewhat important (40%) for improving their community's quality of life.

2

Ontarians say that the arts have significant impact on community well-being

A strong majority of Ontarians strongly agree (53%) or somewhat agree (32%) that if their community lost its arts activities, the people living there would lose something of value or that art activities help enrich the quality of our lives (55% strongly agree, 37% somewhat agree). Ontarians show the highest level of agreement that engaging children in the arts is important to their overall development (67% strongly agree, 29% somewhat agree).

3

Ontarians show strong support for government investing in the arts

Three quarters of Ontarians strongly (36%) or somewhat agree (38%) that government should spend public dollars to invest in the arts. A majority also strongly (42%) or somewhat agree (36%) that investing in the arts to make them available to Ontarians is an important government investment.



Strong majority of Ontarians say the arts are important to community building

Most Ontarians strongly or somewhat agree that participating in arts activities builds a shared sense of community identity (44% and 43%, respectively), they help us understand other cultures better (50% and 38%, respectively), and they help us express and define what it means to be Canadian (40% and 42%, respectively).





At a glance

The importance of the arts in improving	Very/Somewhat important
Quality of your own life	80%
Your mental health	79%
Quality of life in your community	85%

Agreement with the following statements	Strongly/somewhat agree
Engaging children in the arts is important to their overall development.	96%
Arts activities help enrich the quality of our lives	92%
An active local arts scene helps make a community a better place to live.	90%
The arts help us understand other cultures better.	89%
Participating in arts activities builds a shared sense of community identity.	87%
Arts experiences help bring people from diverse backgrounds together as a community.	86%
If my community lost its arts activities, people living there would lose something of value	85%
The arts help us express and define what it means to be Canadian.	82%
An active local arts scene helps communities attract businesses.	82%
Helping make the arts available to people in Ontario is an important government investment.	78%
Government should spend public dollars to invest in the arts.	74%
Arts activities do little or nothing for the well-being of a community	12%
I wouldn't care if things like art galleries, theatres and activities like plays, music or dance stopped happening in my community	13%

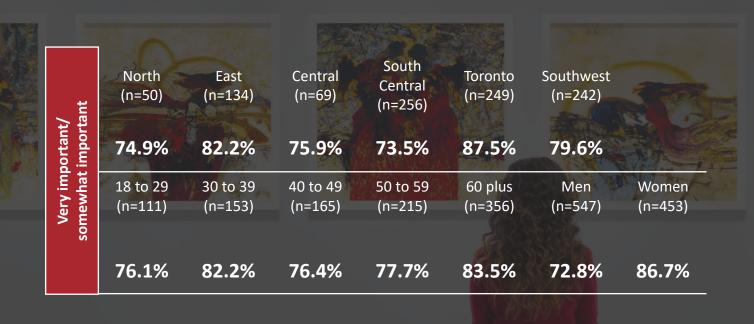


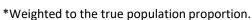


Arts and the quality of life

Ontarians continue to attribute a high importance on the arts when it comes to the quality of their personal life and the quality of life in their community.

Importance of the arts in one's own quality of life





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Q – Thinking about all the things that improve the quality of YOUR OWN LIFE, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat unimportant or very unimportant?

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40%

13%

40%

Unsure

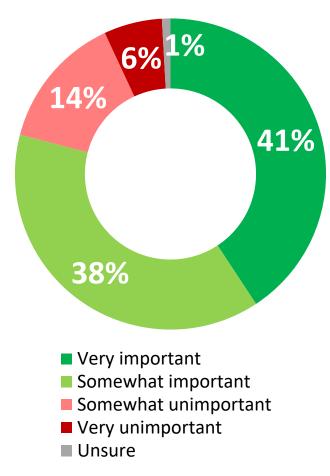
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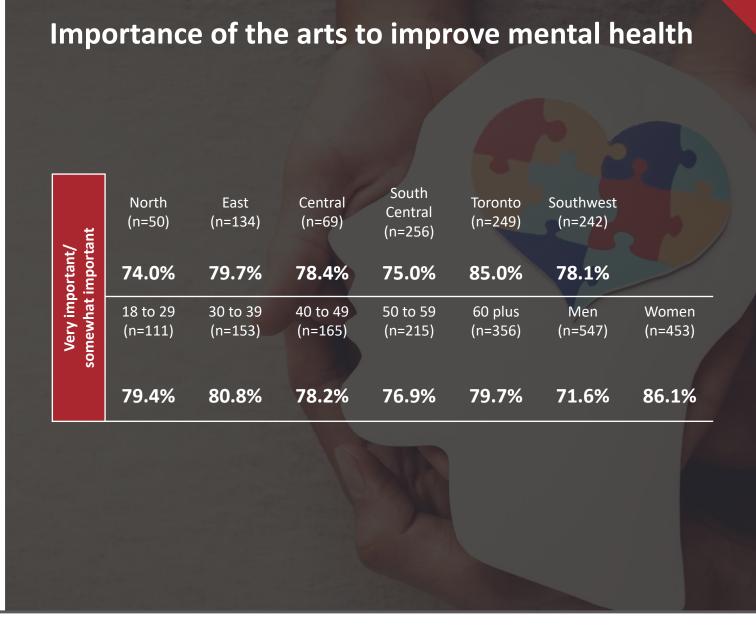






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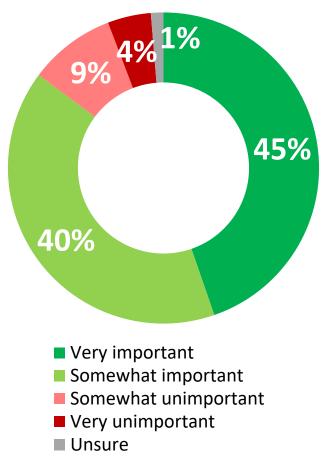
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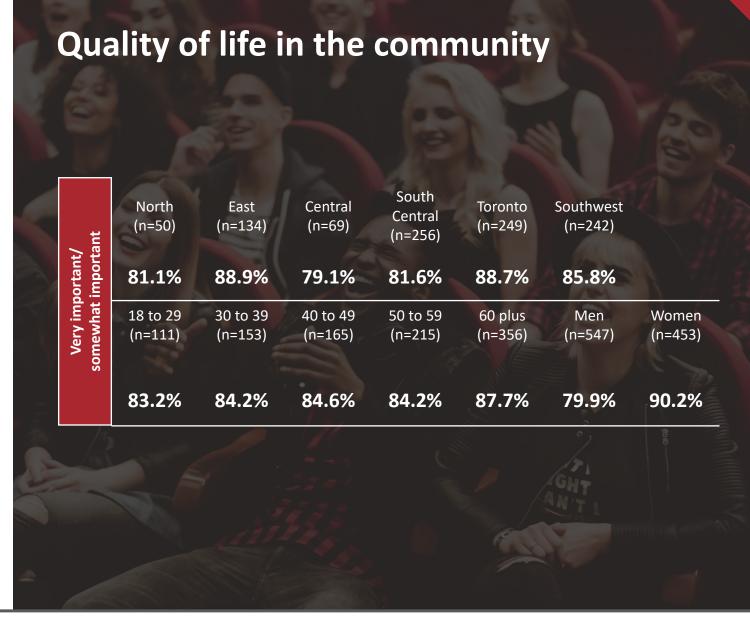


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Q – Setting aside the importance of the arts to you personally, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat unimportant or very unimportant to improving the quality OF LIFE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

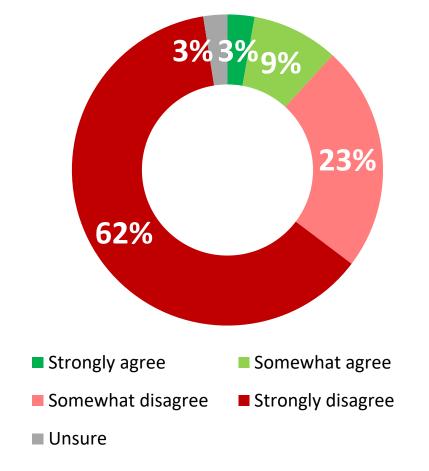






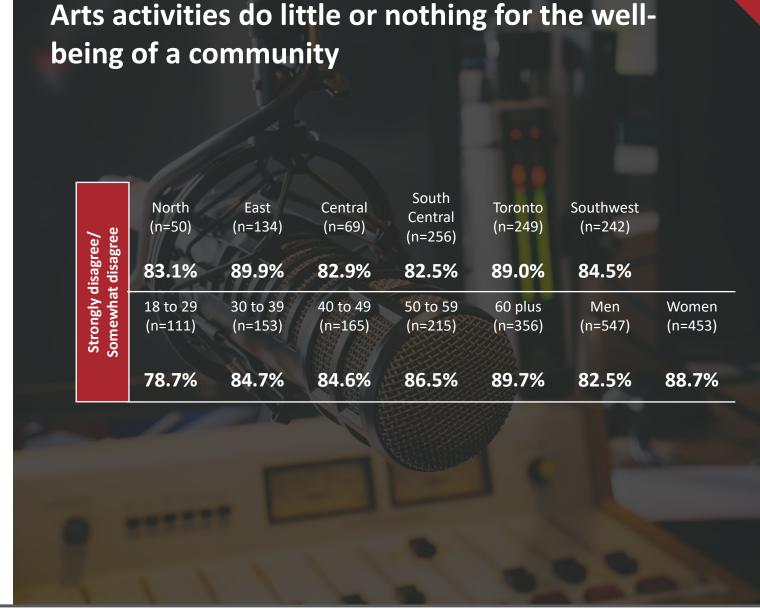
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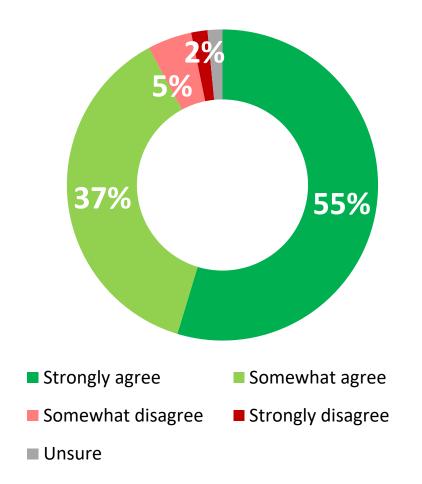
), ee	North (n=50)	East (n=134)	Central (n=69)	South Central (n=256)	Toronto (n=249)	Southwest (n=242)	
agree/ at agree	89.3%	89.3%	80.9%	80.0%	86.3%	87.1%	
Strongly a	18 to 29 (n=111)	30 to 39 (n=153)	40 to 49 (n=165)	50 to 59 (n=215)	60 plus (n=356)	Men (n=547)	Women (n=453)
	82.6%	87.1%	82.8%	85.4%	86.1%	81.0%	89.0%





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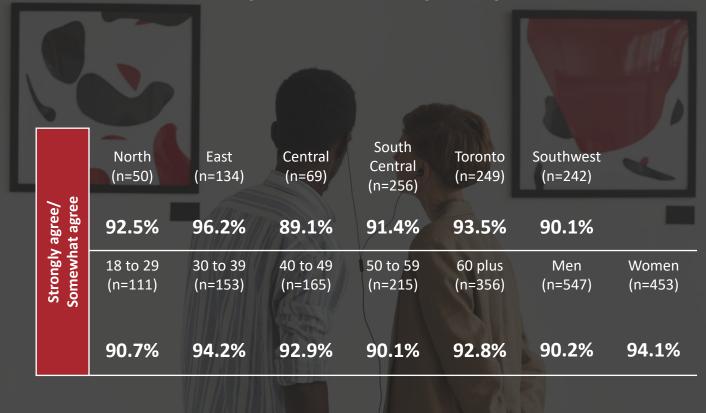
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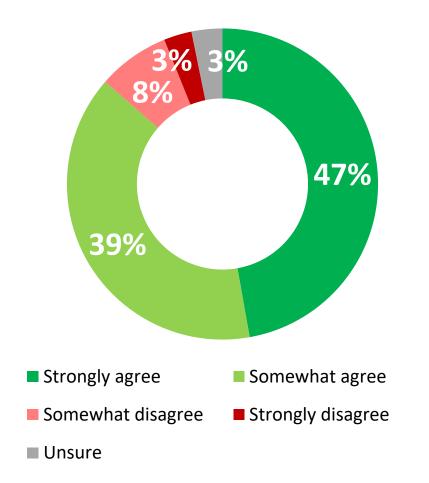
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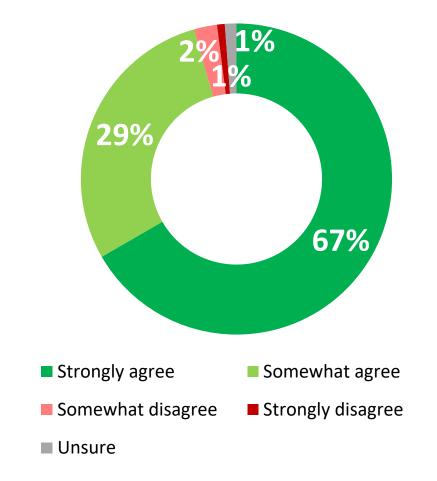
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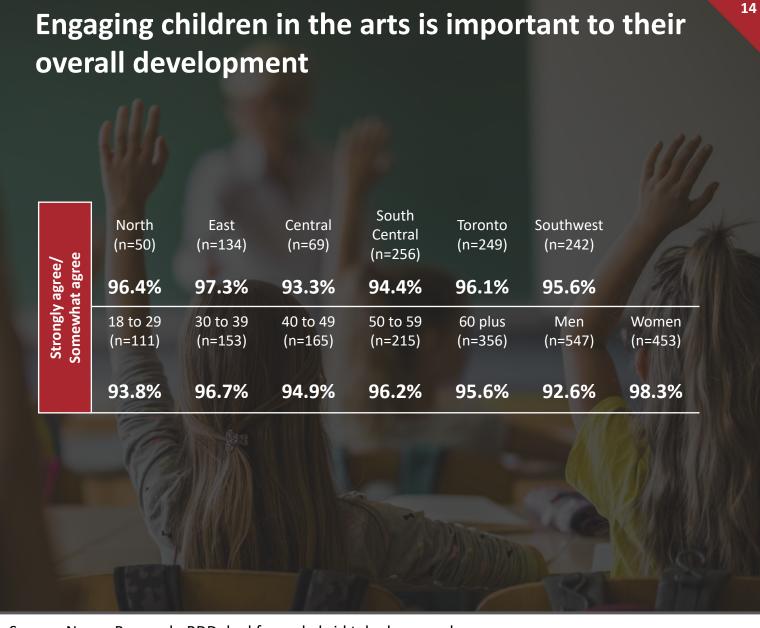


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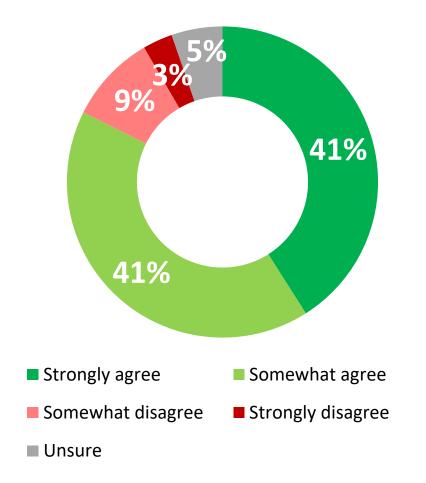
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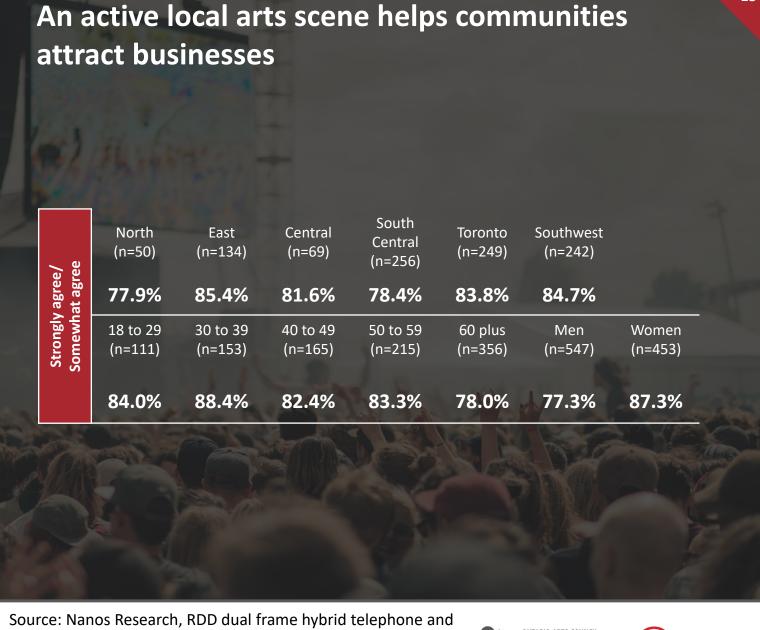


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An active local arts scene helps communities attract businesses.

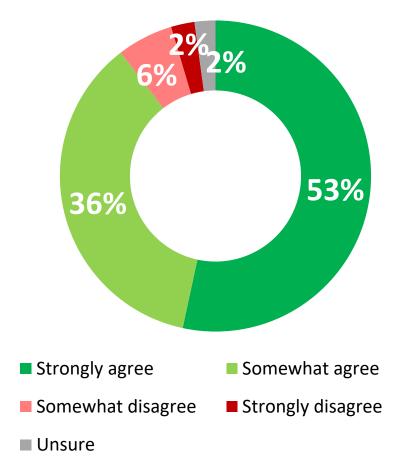


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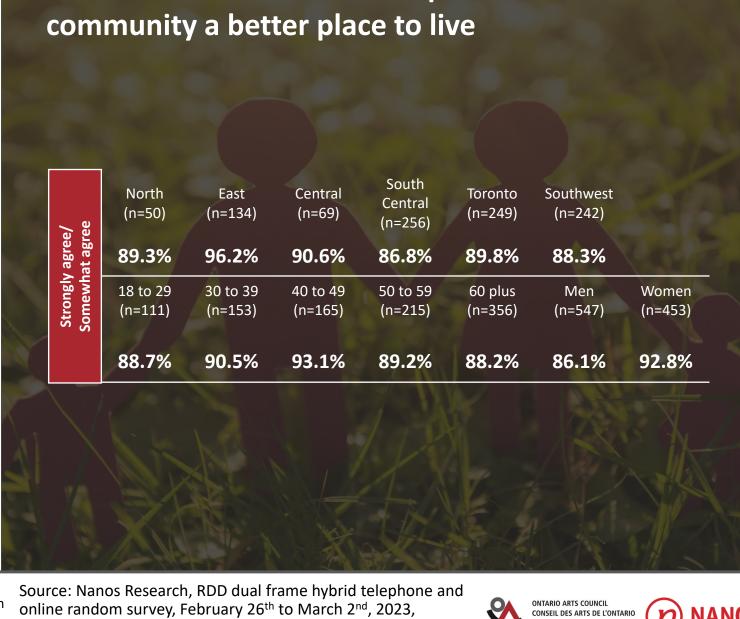
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An active local arts scene helps make a community a better place to live.

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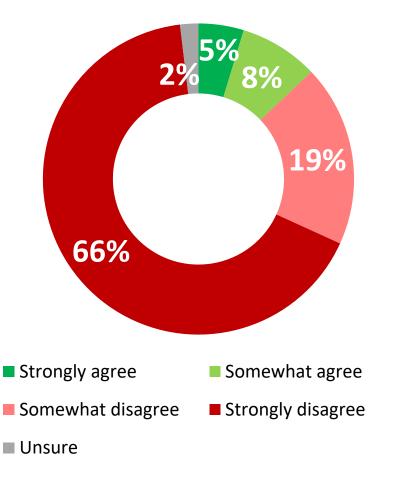


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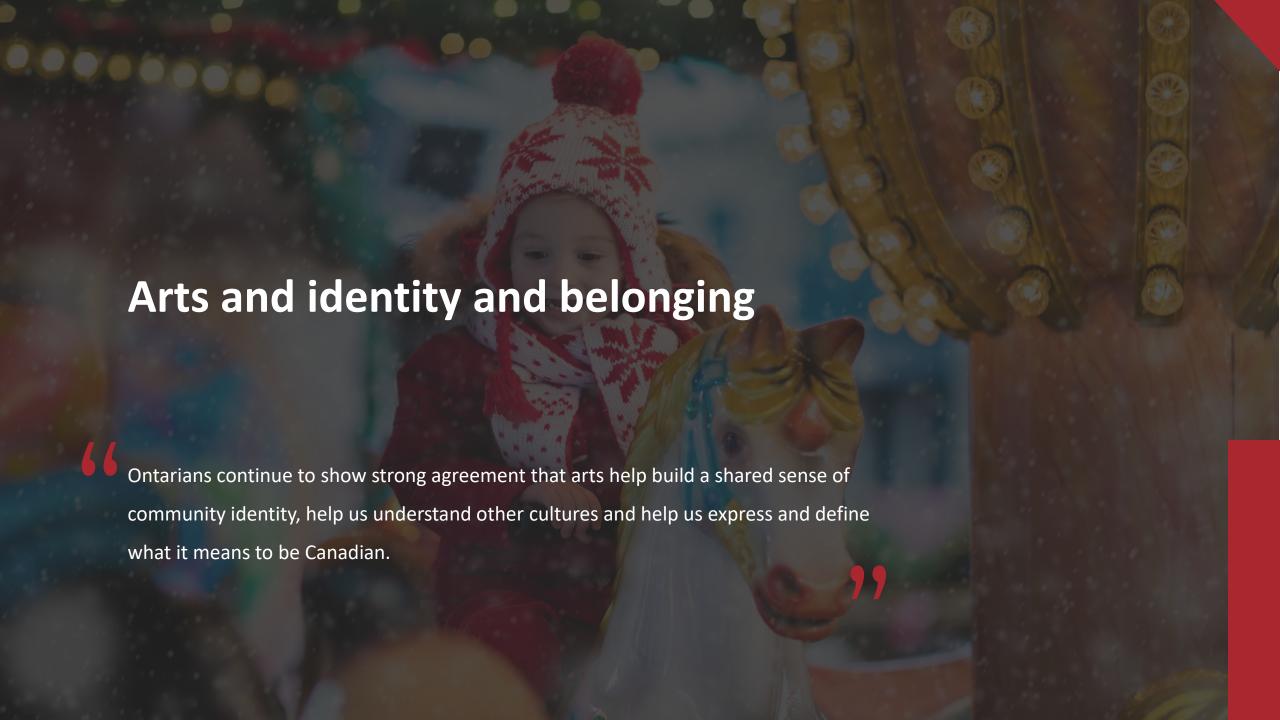
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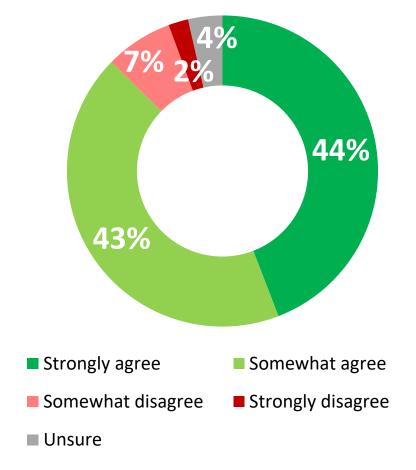
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disagree/ it disagree	89.7%	86.4%	81.7%	81.3%	85.7%	88.0%	
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	76.5%	88.1%	85.3%	86.0%	87.5%	80.3%	89.8%





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Participating in arts activities builds a shared sense of community identity.

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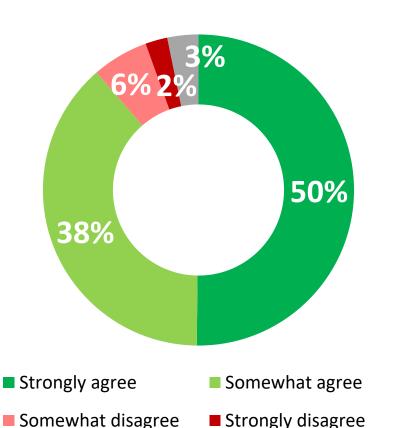
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Unsure

Q – Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

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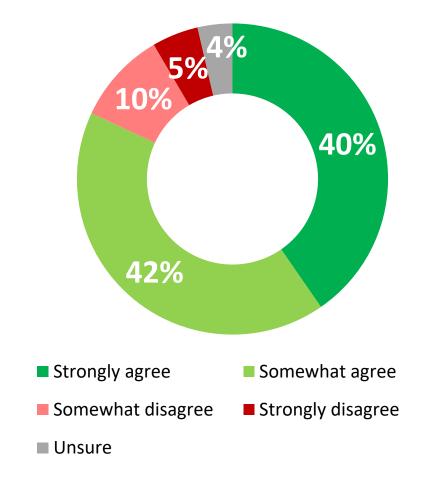
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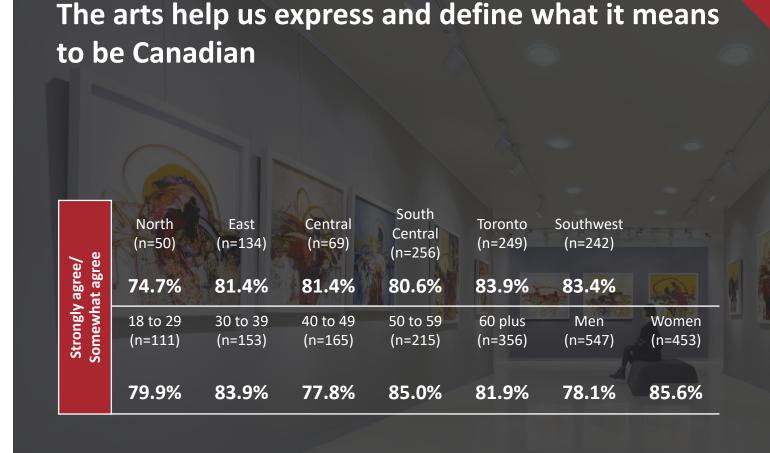


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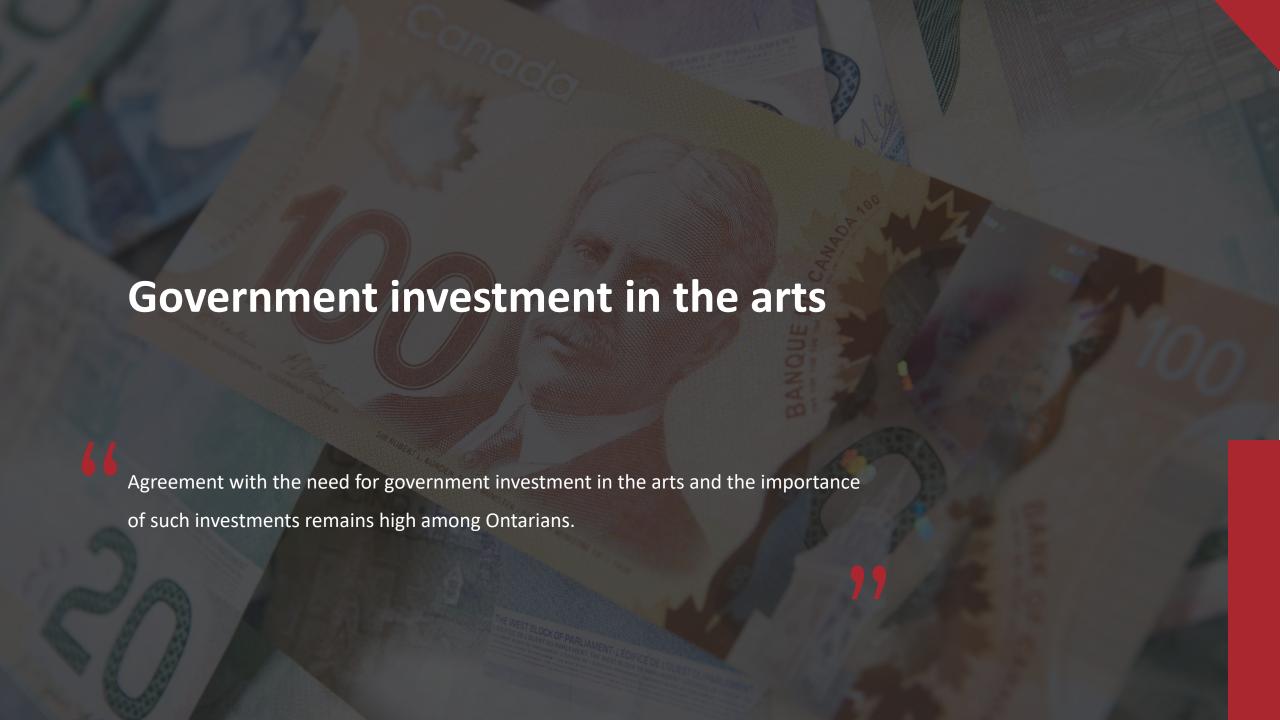
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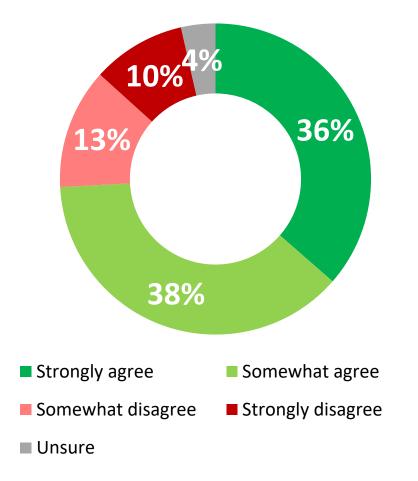


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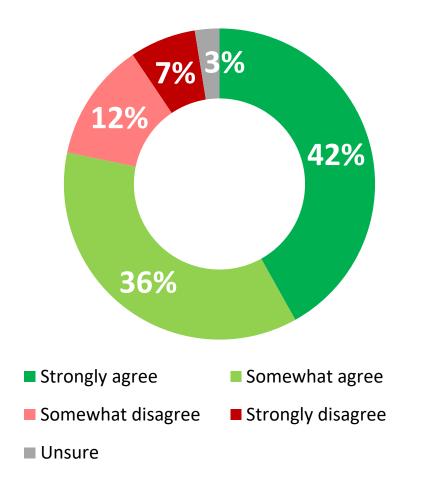
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agree/ at agree	66.2%	79.5%	68.2%	66.8%	80.1%	76.0%	
Strongly a	18 to 29 (n=111)	30 to 39 (n=153)	40 to 49 (n=165)	50 to 59 (n=215)	60 plus (n=356)	Men (n=547)	Women (n=453)
	79.0%	73.7%	72.5%	72.6%	73.7%	67.4%	80.6%





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Helping make the arts available to people in Ontario is an important government investment

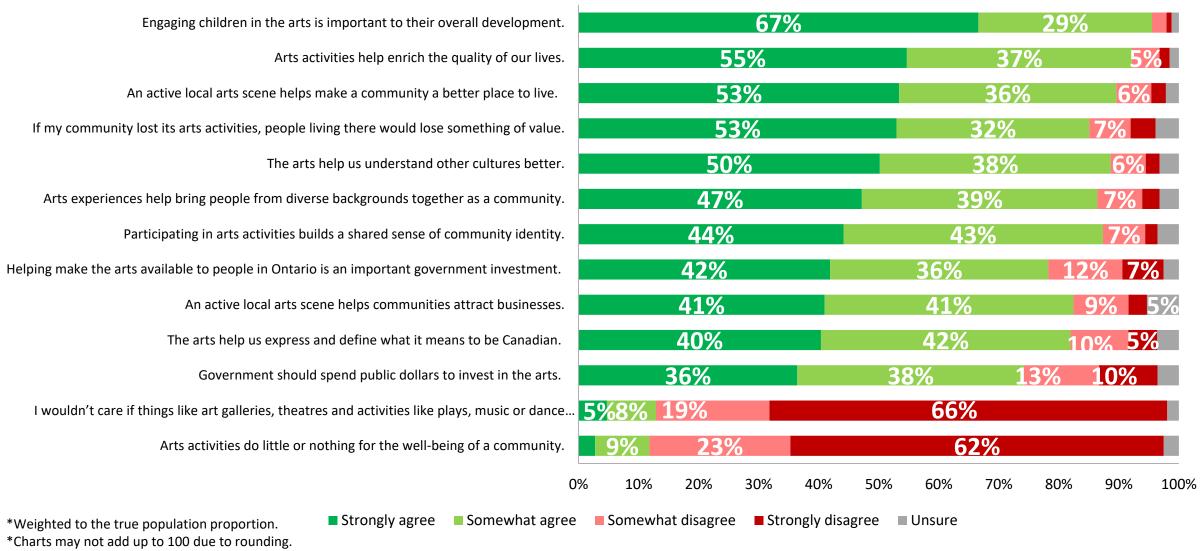






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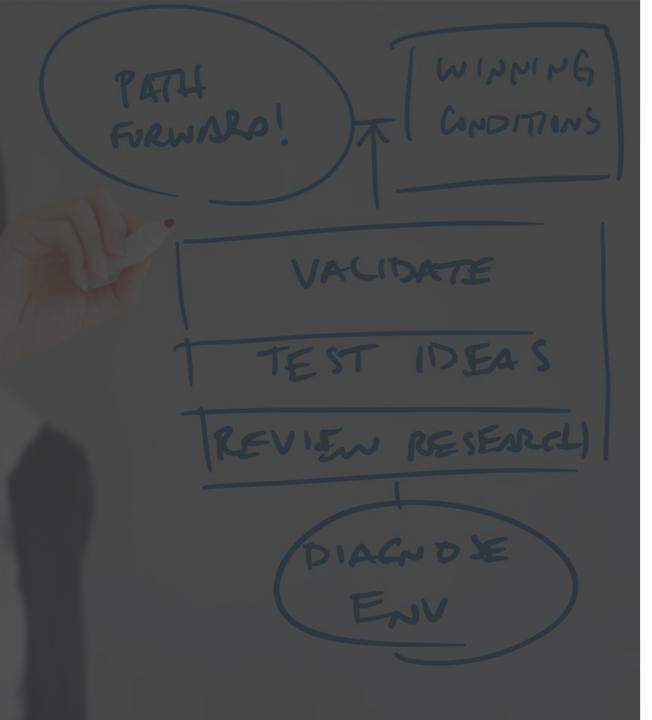
Summary: Level of agreement with statements on arts







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Individuals were randomly called using random digit dialling with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Ontarians is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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Element	Description	Element	Description
Research sponsor	Ontario Arts Council	Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a
Population and Final Sample Size	1,000 Randomly selected individuals.		distribution across all regions of Ontario. See tables for full weighting disclosure.
Source of Sample	Nanos Probability Panel	Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to
Type of Sample	Probability		administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data.
Margin of Error	± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Excluded	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines,
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey	Demographics	and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Ontario.	Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Ontario.
Demographics (Captured)	Ontario; Men and Women; 18 years and older. Six digit postal code was used to validate geography.	Estimated Response Rate	14 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report are organized by theme. Please refer to the appended tabulations for the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs to those recruited.		Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: views on political issues, views on economic issues, views on foreign interference,
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.	Question Content	views on Canada-US relations, views on the federal budget, views on immigration, views on the future standard of living, views on Nordic nations, and views on the Fishery.
Field Dates	February 26 th to March 2 nd , 2023.	Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.	Question Wording	to individuals.
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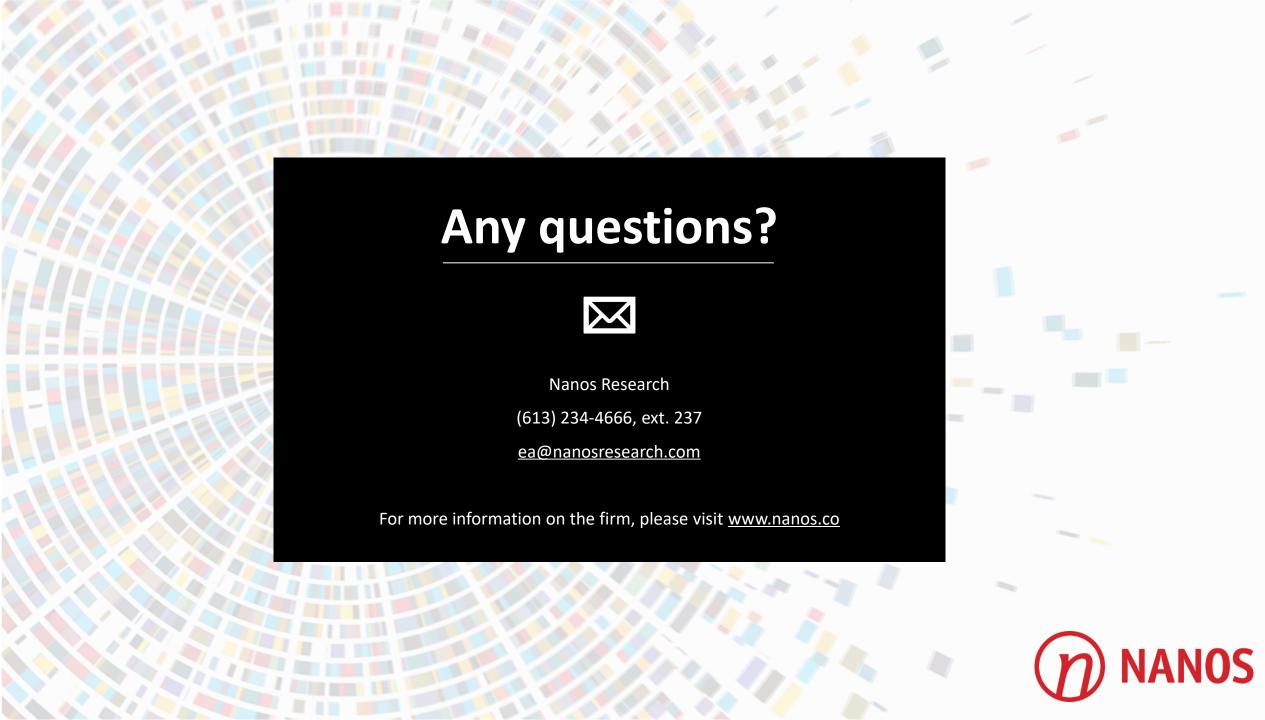


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Our next few questions are about arts and the public value of arts in Ontario. When we say "the arts," we are thinking about people like musicians, writers and painters working in your community, places like art galleries and theatres, and activities like art festivals, plays, music or dance performances.

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Thinking about all	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
the things that improve the		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
quality of YOUR OWN LIFE, would you say the arts are	Very important	%	40.1	40.5	39.7	31.6	48.2	42.6	39.4	39.1

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the things that improve the		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
quality of YOUR OWN LIFE, would you say the arts are	Very important	%	40.1	40.5	39.7	31.6	48.2	42.6	39.4	39.1
very important, somewhat	Somewhat important	%	39.8	40.0	39.6	41.2	38.5	36.4	39.5	42.2
important, somewhat	Somewhat unimportant	%	13.1	11.7	14.3	17.0	9.3	11.2	14.9	12.9
unimportant or very	Very unimportant	%	6.1	6.7	5.4	9.1	3.2	9.3	5.2	4.7
unimportant?	Unsure	%	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.6	1.1	1.1
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the things that improve your		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
mental health, would you say the arts are very important,	Very important	%	40.7	41.0	40.5	34.0	47.1	43.5	42.0	38.0
somewhat important,	Somewhat important	%	38.4	39.4	37.4	37.6	39.1	36.0	36.9	40.9
somewhat unimportant, or	Somewhat unimportant	%	14.0	13.5	14.4	18.7	9.6	14.3	14.2	13.7
very unimportant?	Very unimportant	%	6.1	5.3	6.7	8.7	3.5	6.3	5.8	6.1
	Unsure	%	0.9	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.0	1.1	1.3

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Question - Setting aside the	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
importance of the arts to you		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
personally, would you say the arts are very important,	Very important	%	44.7	44.8	44.6	36.6	52.4	44.3	43.5	45.9
somewhat important,	Somewhat important	%	40.5	40.3	40.6	43.3	37.8	36.9	43.1	40.7
somewhat unimportant or	Somewhat unimportant	%	9.0	8.6	9.4	11.9	6.3	10.3	8.0	8.9
very unimportant to	Very unimportant	%	4.5	4.1	4.9	6.4	2.6	7.4	3.9	3.1
improving the quality OF LIFE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?	Unsure	%	1.3	2.2	0.5	1.8	0.9	1.0	1.5	1.3

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Question - Arts activities do	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
little or nothing for the well-		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
being of a community	Strongly agree	%	2.8	2.7	2.8	4.0	1.6	4.6	2.5	1.7
	Somewhat agree	%	9.0	9.8	8.4	10.6	7.5	12.7	9.2	6.6
	Somewhat disagree	%	23.5	23.3	23.7	28.3	18.9	23.8	22.3	24.2
	Strongly disagree	%	62.2	62.0	62.4	54.2	69.8	56.6	62.8	65.3
	Unsure	%	2.5	2.2	2.8	2.9	2.2	2.3	3.2	2.2

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Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
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Question - If my community	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
lost its arts activities, people		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
living there would lose something of value	Strongly agree	%	53.0	53.4	52.5	46.8	58.8	53.7	51.0	54.0
Joinething of Value	Somewhat agree	%	32.1	29.3	34.7	34.2	30.2	29.4	34.5	32.0
	Somewhat disagree	%	6.9	7.9	5.9	9.5	4.4	7.0	7.0	6.7
	Strongly disagree	%	4.2	5.1	3.2	5.3	3.1	6.0	3.9	3.1
	Unsure	%	3.9	4.3	3.5	4.3	3.5	3.8	3.6	4.2

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der	Age		
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Arts activities help	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
enrich the quality of our lives		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
	Strongly agree	%	54.7	56.0	53.5	45.2	63.7	53.3	54.2	55.9
	Somewhat agree	%	37.5	36.2	38.6	44.9	30.4	39.2	38.2	35.9
	Somewhat disagree	%	4.6	4.1	5.1	4.8	4.5	6.4	3.5	4.3
	Strongly disagree	%	1.7	1.8	1.5	2.4	1.1	1.0	2.3	1.6
	Unsure	%	1.5	1.8	1.3	2.7	0.4	0.0	1.8	2.3

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der	Age		
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Government	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
should spend public dollars		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
to invest in the arts	Strongly agree	%	36.4	39.5	33.6	29.6	43.0	37.1	35.8	36.5
	Somewhat agree	%	37.7	33.8	41.4	37.9	37.6	38.1	38.2	37.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.5	14.2	11.0	15.1	10.0	13.2	10.9	13.3
	Strongly disagree	%	9.7	9.0	10.4	14.2	5.5	8.4	11.6	9.2
	Unsure	%	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.2	3.9	3.2	3.5	3.9

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Arts experiences	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
help bring people from		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
diverse backgrounds together as a community	Strongly agree	%	47.2	48.1	46.3	35.7	58.1	50.0	46.7	45.8
together as a community	Somewhat agree	%	39.2	38.4	40.0	44.7	34.0	36.6	38.8	41.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.5	7.4	7.5	10.1	4.9	8.8	7.6	6.5
	Strongly disagree	%	2.9	3.0	2.8	4.6	1.2	2.8	3.6	2.4
	Unsure	%	3.2	3.0	3.4	4.8	1.7	1.7	3.3	4.1

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Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Engaging children	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
in the arts is important to		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
their overall development	Strongly agree	%	66.6	67.6	65.7	57.7	75.1	64.9	65.2	68.7
	Somewhat agree	%	28.9	27.4	30.3	34.9	23.2	29.6	30.7	27.1
	Somewhat disagree	%	2.4	2.8	2.1	3.9	1.1	4.9	1.8	1.3
	Strongly disagree	%	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	1.3
	Unsure	%	1.2	1.5	0.9	2.3	0.2	0.0	1.7	1.6

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - An active local	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
arts scene helps communities		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
attract businesses	Strongly agree	%	41.0	40.3	41.6	30.0	51.4	43.7	41.0	39.3
	Somewhat agree	%	41.4	40.0	42.8	47.4	35.8	42.4	43.9	39.0
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.2	10.7	7.8	12.7	5.9	9.4	7.8	10.1
	Strongly disagree	%	3.1	3.8	2.3	3.9	2.2	2.0	3.3	3.5
-	Unsure	%	5.3	5.2	5.5	6.0	4.7	2.6	4.0	8.1

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - An active local	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
arts scene helps make a		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
community a better place to live.	Strongly agree	%	53.4	52.2	54.5	45.2	61.1	51.7	52.3	55.3
IIVC.	Somewhat agree	%	36.2	35.8	36.6	40.9	31.7	36.5	40.5	32.7
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.8	7.1	4.7	8.2	3.6	7.8	4.4	5.7
	Strongly disagree	%	2.4	2.6	2.3	3.2	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.0
	Unsure	%	2.2	2.4	2.0	2.4	1.9	1.7	1.0	3.3

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - I wouldn't care if	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
things like art galleries,		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
theatres and activities like plays, music or dance	Strongly agree	%	4.7	5.8	3.8	6.7	2.8	6.8	3.9	4.0
stopped happening in my	Somewhat agree	%	8.2	9.3	7.1	10.1	6.4	11.1	6.9	7.3
community	Somewhat disagree	%	18.9	16.3	21.3	22.2	15.8	20.0	20.4	17.1
	Strongly disagree	%	66.3	66.9	65.7	58.1	74.0	61.0	66.4	69.5
	Unsure	%	1.9	1.7	2.1	2.9	1.1	1.0	2.3	2.2



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Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Participating in	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
arts activities builds a shared		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
sense of community identity	Strongly agree	%	44.1	44.9	43.4	33.3	54.4	49.7	43.3	41.2
	Somewhat agree	%	43.2	40.6	45.7	49.1	37.6	39.3	44.1	45.0
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.0	7.4	6.7	10.0	4.2	7.0	7.8	6.4
	Strongly disagree	%	2.1	2.8	1.4	3.6	0.7	2.7	1.8	1.9
	Unsure	%	3.6	4.3	2.8	4.0	3.1	1.2	2.9	5.5

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - The arts help us	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
understand other cultures		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
better	Strongly agree	%	50.2	49.8	50.5	39.8	60.0	57.5	48.0	47.2
	Somewhat agree	%	38.5	38.0	38.9	44.1	33.1	33.7	40.7	39.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.9	6.3	5.4	9.2	2.7	4.4	6.8	6.1
	Strongly disagree	%	2.3	2.0	2.6	3.8	0.9	3.4	1.5	2.2
	Unsure	%	3.2	3.9	2.6	3.1	3.4	1.0	3.0	4.8

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - The arts help us	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
express and define what it		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
means to be Canadian	Strongly agree	%	40.4	39.4	41.3	35.2	45.2	42.2	39.7	39.7
	Somewhat agree	%	41.6	42.5	40.7	42.8	40.4	39.7	41.0	43.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.6	9.5	9.7	11.8	7.6	11.5	10.4	7.9
	Strongly disagree	%	4.8	5.4	4.3	7.3	2.5	5.0	5.4	4.3
	Unsure	%	3.6	3.2	4.0	2.8	4.4	1.6	3.5	4.9

				Region		Gen	der		Age	
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Helping make the	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
arts available to people in		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
Ontario is an important government investment	Strongly agree	%	41.9	43.7	40.2	33.6	49.8	44.1	40.8	41.3
government investment	Somewhat agree	%	36.4	33.7	38.8	37.7	35.1	33.0	36.2	38.6
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.3	12.8	11.9	15.9	9.0	14.0	11.7	11.7
	Strongly disagree	%	6.9	7.3	6.5	10.3	3.6	7.8	7.7	5.7
	Unsure	%	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.6	1.1	3.6	2.6



Our next few questions are about arts and the public value of arts in Ontario. When we say "the arts," we are thinking about people like musicians, writers and painters working in your community, places like art galleries and theatres, and activities like art festivals, plays, music or dance performances.

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Thinking about all	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
the things that improve the		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
quality of YOUR OWN LIFE, would you say the arts are very	Very important	%	40.1	36.5	40.1	33.7	30.6	49.5	42.7
important, somewhat	Somewhat important	%	39.8	38.4	42.1	42.2	42.9	38.0	36.9
important, somewhat	Somewhat unimportant	%	13.1	13.2	14.9	18.5	16.7	7.1	13.0
unimportant or very	Very unimportant	%	6.1	9.6	2.2	5.6	8.3	5.1	6.2
unimportant?	Unsure	%	1.0	2.3	0.7	0.0	1.5	0.3	1.1

			Age					
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus	
Question - Thinking about all the things	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356	
that improve the quality of YOUR OWN		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324	
LIFE, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important,	Very important	%	43.3	39.0	37.5	43.0	38.4	
somewhat unimportant or very	Somewhat important	%	32.8	43.3	39.0	34.7	45.0	
unimportant?	Somewhat unimportant	%	13.5	10.0	15.9	16.0	11.5	
	Very unimportant	%	10.4	6.9	6.5	4.9	3.9	
	Unsure	%	0.0	0.9	1.2	1.4	1.1	

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Thinking about all	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
the things that improve your		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
mental health, would you say the arts are very important,	Very important	%	40.7	42.3	39.3	34.6	36.3	44.8	43.3
somewhat important,	Somewhat important	%	38.4	31.7	40.4	43.8	38.7	40.2	34.8
somewhat unimportant, or very	Somewhat unimportant	%	14.0	18.0	15.1	12.1	18.1	9.5	13.4
unimportant?	Very unimportant	%	6.1	5.7	3.8	8.1	6.0	4.8	8.2
	Unsure	%	0.9	2.3	1.4	1.4	1.0	0.7	0.3

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Thinking about all the things	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
that improve your mental health, would		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
you say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat unimportant, or very unimportant?	Very important	%	44.9	38.8	44.2	42.1	37.2
	Somewhat important	%	34.5	42.0	34.0	34.7	42.5
, , ,	Somewhat unimportant	%	14.2	12.9	14.7	14.6	13.7
	Very unimportant	%	6.4	5.8	5.9	7.7	5.1
	Unsure	%	0.0	0.5	1.2	0.8	1.5



						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Setting aside the	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
importance of the arts to you		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
personally, would you say the arts are very important,	Very important	%	44.7	47.8	39.5	46.4	34.0	54.7	47.3
somewhat important,	Somewhat important	%	40.5	33.3	49.4	32.8	47.6	33.9	38.6
somewhat unimportant or very	Somewhat unimportant	%	9.0	12.1	8.8	11.0	10.9	6.0	9.0
unimportant to improving the	Very unimportant	%	4.5	4.6	2.2	9.9	4.4	4.3	4.5
quality OF LIFE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?	Unsure	%	1.3	2.3	0.0	0.0	3.2	1.0	0.6

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Setting aside the importance	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
of the arts to you personally, would you		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat unimportant or very unimportant to	Very important	%	45.1	44.3	42.9	45.6	44.9
	Somewhat important	%	38.1	39.9	41.7	38.5	42.7
improving the quality OF LIFE IN YOUR	Somewhat unimportant	%	9.7	8.4	9.2	10.2	8.1
COMMUNITY?	Very unimportant	%	7.1	5.8	4.5	4.3	2.5
	Unsure	%	0.0	1.6	1.7	1.2	1.7

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Arts activities do	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
little or nothing for the well-		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
peing of a community	Strongly agree	%	2.8	3.5	4.0	3.4	2.3	2.9	2.0
	Somewhat agree	%	9.0	9.6	2.9	11.3	12.3	6.9	10.6
	Somewhat disagree	%	23.5	28.0	29.0	22.4	27.8	18.5	20.4
	Strongly disagree	%	62.2	55.0	60.9	60.5	54.7	70.5	64.1
	Unsure	%	2.5	3.9	3.1	2.4	3.0	1.2	2.9

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Arts activities do little or	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
nothing for the well-being of a		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
community	Strongly agree	%	6.4	2.4	2.9	1.2	2.0
	Somewhat agree	%	13.3	10.1	8.2	10.5	5.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	19.3	28.4	22.7	20.3	25.3
	Strongly disagree	%	59.3	56.3	61.9	66.2	64.4
	Unsure	%	1.7	2.9	4.2	1.8	2.5



Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - If my community lost	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
its arts activities, people living		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
there would lose something of value	Strongly agree	%	53.0	53.5	56.7	47.5	43.3	63.1	51.9
value	Somewhat agree	%	32.1	35.8	32.6	33.4	36.7	23.2	35.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	6.9	3.9	5.1	6.7	9.0	5.9	7.2
	Strongly disagree	%	4.2	1.6	2.0	6.6	6.1	4.6	2.8
	Unsure	%	3.9	5.2	3.6	5.9	4.9	3.2	2.9

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - If my community lost its arts activities, people living there would lose something of value	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	57.1	49.1	50.2	52.0	54.7
	Somewhat agree	%	25.6	38.0	32.6	33.4	31.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.1	5.7	8.2	8.1	6.1
	Strongly disagree	%	7.7	2.9	3.5	4.9	2.9
	Unsure	%	2.6	4.4	5.6	1.7	4.9

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Arts activities help	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
enrich the quality of our lives		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
	Strongly agree	%	54.7	57.9	56.7	42.7	47.9	63.3	54.3
	Somewhat agree	%	37.5	34.6	39.5	46.3	43.5	30.2	35.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	4.6	5.9	2.2	4.6	4.1	3.7	7.1
	Strongly disagree	%	1.7	0.0	1.1	6.3	2.1	1.7	0.6
	Unsure	%	1.5	1.6	0.5	0.0	2.4	1.0	2.2

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Arts activities help enrich the	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
quality of our lives		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	56.6	51.7	54.1	54.8	55.5
	Somewhat agree	%	34.1	42.5	38.8	35.3	37.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.7	3.4	3.6	5.2	3.8
	Strongly disagree	%	1.7	1.4	1.8	2.7	1.2
	Unsure	%	0.0	1.0	1.7	1.9	2.3



Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Government should	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
spend public dollars to invest in		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
the arts	Strongly agree	%	36.4	23.8	33.4	27.8	29.3	47.6	38.9
	Somewhat agree	%	37.7	42.4	46.0	40.3	37.5	32.5	37.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.5	11.9	12.6	13.7	15.4	12.1	9.8
	Strongly disagree	%	9.7	16.7	6.4	16.4	12.9	5.4	9.5
	Unsure	%	3.6	5.2	1.6	1.7	4.9	2.4	4.7

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Government should spend	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
public dollars to invest in the arts		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	39.1	33.8	38.5	37.1	35.2
	Somewhat agree	%	39.9	39.9	34.0	35.5	38.5
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.3	14.6	11.6	11.2	14.2
	Strongly disagree	%	11.7	5.9	11.0	13.2	8.1
	Unsure	%	0.0	5.8	4.8	3.0	4.0

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Arts experiences	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
help bring people from diverse		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
community	Strongly agree	%	47.2	46.2	50.5	34.8	39.3	55.7	48.4
community	Somewhat agree	%	39.2	39.2	37.0	45.5	45.4	32.8	39.1
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.5	9.1	6.1	13.9	9.7	5.0	6.3
	Strongly disagree	%	2.9	2.3	2.6	3.4	1.7	4.0	3.0
	Unsure	%	3.2	3.2	3.8	2.4	3.9	2.5	3.1

					Age		•
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Arts experiences help bring people from diverse backgrounds together as a community	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	51.1	48.6	47.3	46.7	44.7
	Somewhat agree	%	33.1	42.0	36.8	40.4	41.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.5	6.7	7.1	6.3	7.7
	Strongly disagree	%	4.5	1.3	3.5	3.8	2.0
	Unsure	%	1.8	1.3	5.3	2.8	4.3



Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Engaging children in	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
the arts is important to their		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
overall development	Strongly agree	%	66.6	59.2	71.3	54.5	60.3	73.7	68.0
	Somewhat agree	%	28.9	37.2	26.0	38.9	34.1	22.3	27.5
	Somewhat disagree	%	2.4	3.6	1.7	2.2	3.0	2.3	2.2
	Strongly disagree	%	0.8	0.0	1.0	4.4	1.1	0.3	0.3
	Unsure	%	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	1.3	2.0

			Age					
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus	
Question - Engaging children in the arts	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356	
is important to their overall development		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324	
	Strongly agree	%	63.8	67.8	65.6	65.4	68.5	
	Somewhat agree	%	30.0	28.8	29.3	30.8	27.1	
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.3	2.4	1.7	2.1	1.5	
	Strongly disagree	%	0.9	0.4	0.7	1.3	0.8	
	Unsure	%	0.0	0.4	2.8	0.4	2.0	

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - An active local arts	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
scene helps communities		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
attract businesses	Strongly agree	%	41.0	37.3	40.3	34.6	35.1	45.2	45.6
	Somewhat agree	%	41.4	40.6	45.0	47.0	43.3	38.6	39.1
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.2	15.9	4.9	6.8	13.0	7.3	8.8
	Strongly disagree	%	3.1	2.3	1.9	5.6	2.6	4.8	1.9
	Unsure	%	5.3	3.9	7.8	6.0	6.0	4.1	4.6

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - An active local arts scene	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
helps communities attract businesses		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	46.6	39.2	43.8	42.7	36.8
	Somewhat agree	%	37.4	49.2	38.5	40.6	41.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	10.9	7.3	7.5	7.7	11.0
	Strongly disagree	%	3.1	0.9	4.7	4.7	2.5
	Unsure	%	2.0	3.4	5.4	4.3	8.6



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						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - An active local arts	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
scene helps make a community		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
a better place to live.	Strongly agree	%	53.4	53.0	54.8	51.1	44.1	60.2	55.9
	Somewhat agree	%	36.2	36.2	41.4	39.6	42.7	29.6	32.4
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.8	6.8	1.4	4.9	8.6	4.8	6.5
	Strongly disagree	%	2.4	0.0	1.6	4.4	2.2	2.7	2.8
	Unsure	%	2.2	3.9	0.9	0.0	2.4	2.7	2.4

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - An active local arts scene	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
helps make a community a better place to live.		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	55.5	47.8	51.5	55.3	54.9
	Somewhat agree	%	33.2	42.7	41.6	33.8	33.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	6.9	6.7	3.3	6.1	5.7
	Strongly disagree	%	3.6	0.4	1.8	4.1	2.2
	Unsure	%	0.7	2.4	1.8	0.6	3.9

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - I wouldn't care if	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
things like art galleries, theatres		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
and activities like plays, music or dance stopped happening in	Strongly agree	%	4.7	3.5	2.9	9.6	5.7	5.8	2.5
my community	Somewhat agree	%	8.2	5.2	6.4	7.7	12.2	6.0	7.9
	Somewhat disagree	%	18.9	26.2	17.5	22.1	20.4	13.2	21.6
	Strongly disagree	%	66.3	63.5	68.9	59.7	60.9	72.5	66.3
	Unsure	%	1.9	1.6	4.3	1.0	0.8	2.5	1.6

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - I wouldn't care if things like art galleries, theatres and activities like plays, music or dance stopped happening n my community	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	8.9	3.8	4.7	4.0	3.5
	Somewhat agree	%	13.6	6.5	8.3	8.0	6.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	15.8	25.8	23.1	15.7	17.0
	Strongly disagree	%	60.8	62.3	62.2	70.3	70.5
	Unsure	%	0.9	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.6



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						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Participating in arts	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
activities builds a shared sense		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
of community identity	Strongly agree	%	44.1	38.7	44.1	35.0	39.2	50.1	46.7
	Somewhat agree	%	43.2	50.0	42.6	51.2	44.9	37.5	44.1
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.0	8.4	5.7	10.4	7.7	6.6	6.2
	Strongly disagree	%	2.1	0.0	2.1	3.4	2.6	2.7	0.9
	Unsure	%	3.6	2.9	5.4	0.0	5.6	3.1	2.1

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Participating in arts activities builds a shared sense of community	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
identity	Strongly agree	%	49.4	45.5	46.2	44.3	39.8
	Somewhat agree	%	34.5	47.4	41.4	42.5	46.6
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.7	4.9	6.9	8.0	6.3
	Strongly disagree	%	4.4	1.3	1.2	2.2	1.6
	Unsure	%	2.0	0.9	4.3	3.0	5.8

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - The arts help us understand other cultures better	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
	Strongly agree	%	50.2	44.8	51.1	43.0	39.5	59.1	54.6
	Somewhat agree	%	38.5	51.3	36.7	46.0	48.3	28.4	34.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.9	1.6	7.9	6.3	5.8	6.9	4.5
	Strongly disagree	%	2.3	0.0	2.0	2.4	1.4	2.4	3.7
	Unsure	%	3.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	5.0	3.2	2.4

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - The arts help us understand	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
other cultures better		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	55.2	55.0	46.5	50.4	46.5
	Somewhat agree	%	35.2	38.4	39.8	38.4	39.6
	Somewhat disagree	%	2.6	4.6	8.8	5.8	6.9
	Strongly disagree	%	5.4	0.9	1.2	2.1	2.0
	Unsure	%	1.7	1.1	3.7	3.3	4.9



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						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - The arts help us	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
express and define what it		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
means to be Canadian	Strongly agree	%	40.4	38.0	46.2	23.3	33.9	43.8	45.5
	Somewhat agree	%	41.6	36.7	35.2	58.0	46.7	40.0	37.9
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.6	20.1	8.6	12.0	9.3	9.1	8.1
	Strongly disagree	%	4.8	0.0	2.6	5.6	5.5	4.9	6.1
	Unsure	%	3.6	5.2	7.3	1.0	4.6	2.2	2.4

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - The arts help us express and	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
define what it means to be Canadian		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	44.1	36.4	41.5	42.4	38.8
	Somewhat agree	%	35.8	47.5	36.3	42.6	43.0
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.4	10.0	11.9	7.9	8.0
	Strongly disagree	%	5.1	5.5	4.1	5.0	4.5
	Unsure	%	2.6	0.5	6.2	2.1	5.6

						Zone			
			Canada 2023-02	North	East	Central	South Central	Toronto	Southwest
Question - Helping make the arts available to people in Ontario is an important government investment	Total	Unwgt N	1000	50	134	69	256	249	242
		Wgt N	1000	51	134	67	252	251	244
	Strongly agree	%	41.9	38.4	39.1	35.9	33.5	52.6	43.5
government investment	Somewhat agree	%	36.4	38.3	41.8	34.5	39.9	29.3	37.2
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.3	13.5	13.7	15.9	14.2	11.0	9.8
	Strongly disagree	%	6.9	7.5	2.8	12.3	8.6	5.9	6.7
	Unsure	%	2.5	2.3	2.6	1.4	3.8	1.4	2.8

					Age		
			18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 59	60 plus
Question - Helping make the arts available to people in Ontario is an important government investment	Total	Unwgt N	111	153	165	215	356
		Wgt N	164	173	141	198	324
	Strongly agree	%	44.9	41.8	40.6	42.1	40.9
	Somewhat agree	%	29.1	40.5	34.3	35.3	39.4
	Somewhat disagree	%	15.2	10.7	13.3	10.9	12.2
	Strongly disagree	%	9.8	5.6	6.9	9.1	4.7
	Unsure	%	0.9	1.4	5.0	2.7	2.9



Our next few questions are about arts and the public value of arts in Ontario. When we say "the arts," we are thinking about people like musicians, writers and painters working in your community, places like art galleries and theatres, and activities like art festivals, plays, music or dance performances.

				BIPO	С	
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - Thinking about all the things that improve the quality of YOUR OWN LIFE, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important,	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Very important	%	40.1	39.3	44.8	40.3
somewhat unimportant or very	Somewhat important	%	39.8	41.4	34.4	33.4
unimportant?	Somewhat unimportant	%	13.1	13.2	11.9	13.9
	Very unimportant	%	6.1	5.5	6.9	9.8
	Unsure	%	1.0	0.6	2.0	2.6

				BIPO	С	
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - Thinking about all the things	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
that improve your mental health, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Very important	%	40.7	39.6	46.5	42.3
unimportant, or very unimportant?	Somewhat important	%	38.4	39.8	35.9	28.1
	Somewhat unimportant	%	14.0	13.8	13.1	17.5
	Very unimportant	%	6.1	5.9	3.2	12.0
	Unsure	%	0.9	0.9	1.4	0.0

				BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer		
Question - Setting aside the importance of the arts to you personally, would you say the arts are very important, somewhat important, somewhat	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80		
		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80		
	Very important	%	44.7	45.2	43.7	42.2		
unimportant or very unimportant to	Somewhat important	%	40.5	40.6	40.6	39.1		
improving the quality OF LIFE IN YOUR	Somewhat unimportant	%	9.0	9.0	8.0	10.4		
COMMUNITY?	Very unimportant	%	4.5	4.1	5.8	6.5		
	Unsure	%	1.3	1.1	2.0	1.9		

				BIPOC					
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer			
Question - Arts activities do little or	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80			
nothing for the well-being of a community		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80			
	Strongly agree	%	2.8	1.6	7.7	5.3			
	Somewhat agree	%	9.0	8.2	13.0	10.9			
	Somewhat disagree	%	23.5	24.0	22.2	20.7			
	Strongly disagree	%	62.2	63.4	54.7	63.1			
	Unsure	%	2.5	2.8	2.3	0.0			



Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

			BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer	
Question - If my community lost its arts activities, people living there would lose something of value	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80	
		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80	
	Strongly agree	%	53.0	52.6	53.1	56.3	
	Somewhat agree	%	32.1	32.7	32.2	26.9	
	Somewhat disagree	%	6.9	7.4	5.9	3.0	
	Strongly disagree	%	4.2	3.6	5.5	7.4	
	Unsure	%	3.9	3.7	3.3	6.4	

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - Arts activities help enrich the	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
quality of our lives		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Strongly agree	%	54.7	54.3	55.2	57.2
	Somewhat agree	%	37.5	38.6	33.4	33.4
	Somewhat disagree	%	4.6	4.2	6.4	5.9
	Strongly disagree	%	1.7	1.2	3.2	3.5
	Unsure	%	1.5	1.7	1.8	0.0

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer		
Question - Government should spend public dollars to invest in the arts	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80		
		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80		
	Strongly agree	%	36.4	35.4	42.5	35.9		
	Somewhat agree	%	37.7	38.3	36.4	34.6		
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.5	12.8	9.0	15.7		
	Strongly disagree	%	9.7	9.7	9.1	11.5		
	Unsure	%	3.6	3.8	3.0	2.3		

			BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer	
Question - Arts experiences help bring people from diverse backgrounds together as a community	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80	
		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80	
	Strongly agree	%	47.2	46.1	52.7	48.4	
	Somewhat agree	%	39.2	39.9	35.4	39.3	
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.5	8.2	4.6	4.8	
	Strongly disagree	%	2.9	2.4	3.6	6.1	
	Unsure	%	3.2	3.3	3.7	1.4	



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			BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer	
Question - Engaging children in the arts is	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80	
important to their overall development		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80	
	Strongly agree	%	66.6	66.4	67.3	67.5	
	Somewhat agree	%	28.9	29.7	24.8	28.4	
	Somewhat disagree	%	2.4	1.8	5.1	4.1	
	Strongly disagree	%	0.8	0.8	1.6	0.0	
	Unsure	%	1.2	1.3	1.2	0.0	

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - An active local arts scene helps	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
communities attract businesses		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Strongly agree	%	41.0	41.0	42.2	38.4
	Somewhat agree	%	41.4	41.6	40.8	41.3
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.2	9.1	9.1	10.7
	Strongly disagree	%	3.1	2.6	4.6	4.5
	Unsure	%	5.3	5.7	3.3	5.1

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			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - An active local arts scene helps	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
make a community a better place to live.		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Strongly agree	%	53.4	52.9	52.6	59.8
	Somewhat agree	%	36.2	37.6	32.4	28.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.8	5.3	8.9	5.1
	Strongly disagree	%	2.4	2.0	2.5	6.2
	Unsure	%	2.2	2.1	3.6	0.0

			Region		Gender			Age		
			Ontario 2023-03	GTA	Rest of Ontario	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
things like art galleries, theatres and activities like	Total	Unwgt N	1000	477	523	547	453	177	371	452
		Wgt N	1000	478	522	487	513	262	318	420
	Strongly agree	%	4.7	5.8	3.8	6.7	2.8	6.8	3.9	4.0
stopped happening in my	Somewhat agree	%	8.2	9.3	7.1	10.1	6.4	11.1	6.9	7.3
community	Somewhat disagree	%	18.9	16.3	21.3	22.2	15.8	20.0	20.4	17.1
	Strongly disagree	%	66.3	66.9	65.7	58.1	74.0	61.0	66.4	69.5
	Unsure	%	1.9	1.7	2.1	2.9	1.1	1.0	2.3	2.2

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - Participating in arts activities	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
builds a shared sense of community		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
identity	Strongly agree	%	44.1	42.7	49.1	50.1
	Somewhat agree	%	43.2	44.5	37.7	39.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	7.0	7.3	5.6	7.1
	Strongly disagree	%	2.1	1.5	5.3	2.0
	Unsure	%	3.6	4.0	2.3	1.0

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - The arts help us understand	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
other cultures better		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Strongly agree	%	50.2	48.3	58.5	53.8
	Somewhat agree	%	38.5	41.0	27.5	31.8
	Somewhat disagree	%	5.9	5.2	7.0	10.2
	Strongly disagree	%	2.3	1.8	4.7	2.7
	Unsure	%	3.2	3.6	2.3	1.4

Regardless of how involved you, personally, are with the arts, would you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements? [RANDOMIZE]

				BIPOC				
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer		
Question - The arts help us express and	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80		
define what it means to be Canadian		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80		
	Strongly agree	%	40.4	40.4	40.6	39.5		
	Somewhat agree	%	41.6	42.2	40.9	36.8		
	Somewhat disagree	%	9.6	9.1	8.8	15.7		
	Strongly disagree	%	4.8	4.7	4.9	6.2		
	Unsure	%	3.6	3.6	4.9	1.8		

			BIPOC			
			Ontario 2023-02	White	BIPOC	Refuse/no answer
Question - Helping make the arts	Total	Unwgt N	1000	793	127	80
available to people in Ontario is an important government investment		Wgt N	1000	783	137	80
	Strongly agree	%	41.9	40.3	50.2	43.4
	Somewhat agree	%	36.4	38.0	30.2	30.4
	Somewhat disagree	%	12.3	12.5	10.7	13.4
	Strongly disagree	%	6.9	6.5	6.3	11.6
	Unsure	%	2.5	2.7	2.5	1.2