

## Methodology

National Nanos RDD Crowdsource random survey of 1,000 Canadians conducted between June $8^{\text {th }}$ and 11 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, 2013. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone and administered a survey online. The results were statistically checked and weighted using the latest Census data.

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## Executive Summary

- The potential suffering of animals is at least somewhat acceptable to over half of Canadians. The reason for exposing animals to potential suffering does not play a significant role in how acceptable suffering is for the public. A significant minority thinks that the potential suffering is not acceptable.
- Nevertheless, $54 \%$ think that the welfare of the animal is important in determining what is an acceptable or unacceptable use of animals.


## Acceptability of Potential Suffering

During government testing to ensure the safety and impact of medicine and medical devices

When developing products or devices for humans or animals such as artificial organs

In conducting medical research that relates to human or animal diseases or disorders

During the teaching or training of personnel such as veterinarians


Question: Would you say that the potential suffering of animals used in the following types of situations is acceptable, somewhat acceptable, somewhat unacceptable or unacceptable?

Overall, Canadians do not differentiate when it comes to the potential suffering of animals. Almost as many think it is acceptable for safety testing of medicine as for conducting medical research.

- Men are much more likely to say that suffering is acceptable in all cases.


## Trade-off of Benefits and Animal Welfare

The welfare of the animal is important in determining what is an acceptable or unacceptable use of animals 54\%


Question: Some people think that the benefits of using animals to advance science and medicine outweigh the welfare of the animals while others believe that the welfare of the animal is important in determining what is an acceptable or unacceptable use of animals for science and medical testing. Which of these two views, if either, best reflects your opinion?

On balance, more than half of Canadians think that the welfare of the animal is important in determining what are acceptable uses of animals.

- Women ( $60 \%$ ) are much more likely than men ( $49 \%$ ) to say that animal welfare is important.


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| Question 2 - In conducting medical | Total | Unwgt <br> N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 499 | 501 | 152 | 138 | 221 | 232 | 257 |
| research that relates to |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 503 | 497 | 206 | 169 | 208 | 178 | 239 |
| human or animal diseases or disorders | Acceptable | \% | 30.9 | 33.6 | 25.6 | 31.8 | 38.0 | 26.3 | 39.8 | 21.8 | 27.5 | 32.0 | 33.4 | 27.2 | 33.4 |
|  | Somewhat acceptable | \% | 32.9 | 35.6 | 34.5 | 32.9 | 29.9 | 32.4 | 33.2 | 32.6 | 40.6 | 26.4 | 31.8 | 32.7 | 32.1 |
|  | Somewhat unacceptable | \% | 12.9 | 11.7 | 13.8 | 10.5 | 13.1 | 17.0 | 9.9 | 16.0 | 11.4 | 16.9 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 13.0 |
|  | Unacceptable | \% | 18.3 | 16.9 | 17.5 | 20.6 | 15.9 | 18.8 | 13.4 | 23.2 | 15.2 | 18.7 | 16.2 | 23.6 | 18.3 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 5.0 | 2.3 | 8.4 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 5.6 | 3.7 | 6.4 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 4.7 | 3.2 |

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|  | Acceptable | \% | 26.5 | 26.5 | 24.2 | 26.5 | 33.1 | 21.5 | 34.8 | 18.0 | 23.0 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 24.6 | 29.4 |
|  | Somewhat acceptable | \% | 32.6 | 41.8 | 32.6 | 28.8 | 29.2 | 38.5 | 34.3 | 30.8 | 36.5 | 28.3 | 33.2 | 27.9 | 35.2 |
|  | Somewhat unacceptable | \% | 14.7 | 10.8 | 15.8 | 15.4 | 15.8 | 12.7 | 11.7 | 17.8 | 16.6 | 19.6 | 14.3 | 11.5 | 12.5 |
|  | Unacceptable | \% | 20.4 | 18.7 | 19.0 | 23.4 | 17.2 | 22.0 | 15.7 | 25.2 | 17.1 | 19.5 | 17.8 | 28.4 | 20.1 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 5.8 | 2.3 | 8.4 | 5.8 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 3.5 | 8.1 | 6.7 | 5.1 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 2.8 |

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|  | Somewhat acceptable | \% | 30.8 | 37.6 | 31.0 | 24.7 | 33.4 | 34.3 | 32.5 | 29.0 | 31.2 | 25.1 | 33.1 | 28.1 | 34.4 |
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\hline Question 5 - Some people think that the benefits of \& Total \& Unwgt N \& 1000 \& 100 \& 250 \& 300 \& 200 \& 150 \& 499 \& 501 \& 152 \& 138 \& 221 \& 232 \& 257 <br>
\hline using animals to advance science and medicine \& \& Wgt N \& 1000 \& 100 \& 250 \& 300 \& 200 \& 150 \& 503 \& 497 \& 206 \& 169 \& 208 \& 178 \& 239 <br>
\hline outweigh the welfare of the animals while others believe that the welfare of \& The benefits of using animals to advance science \& \% \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
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\hline animals for science and medical testing. Which of these two views, if either, best reflects your personal \& The welfare of the animal is important in determining what \& \% \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline opinion? \& is an acceptable or unacceptable use of animals for science and medical testing Neither \& \% \& 54.3

7.9 \& 62.6

5.4 \& 53.5

8.0 \& 52.3

10.4 \& 51.2
5.7 \& 58.5

7.4 \& 48.5

7.0 \& 60.2
8.9 \& 56.2

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