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### **Marc Henry: Most Albertans seem okay with changes to Alberta's Bill of Rights.**

This week, the Smith government introduced Bill 24, the Alberta Bill of Rights Amendment Act. Public reaction to the bill and its proposals is not especially controversial, but it has left more than a few voters scratching their heads regarding its intentions.

#### **Link to article**

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/calgary/article/marc-henry-most-albertans-seem-okay-with-changes-to-albertas-bill-of-rights/>

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# ALBERTANS' VIEWS ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ALBERTA BILL OF RIGHTS

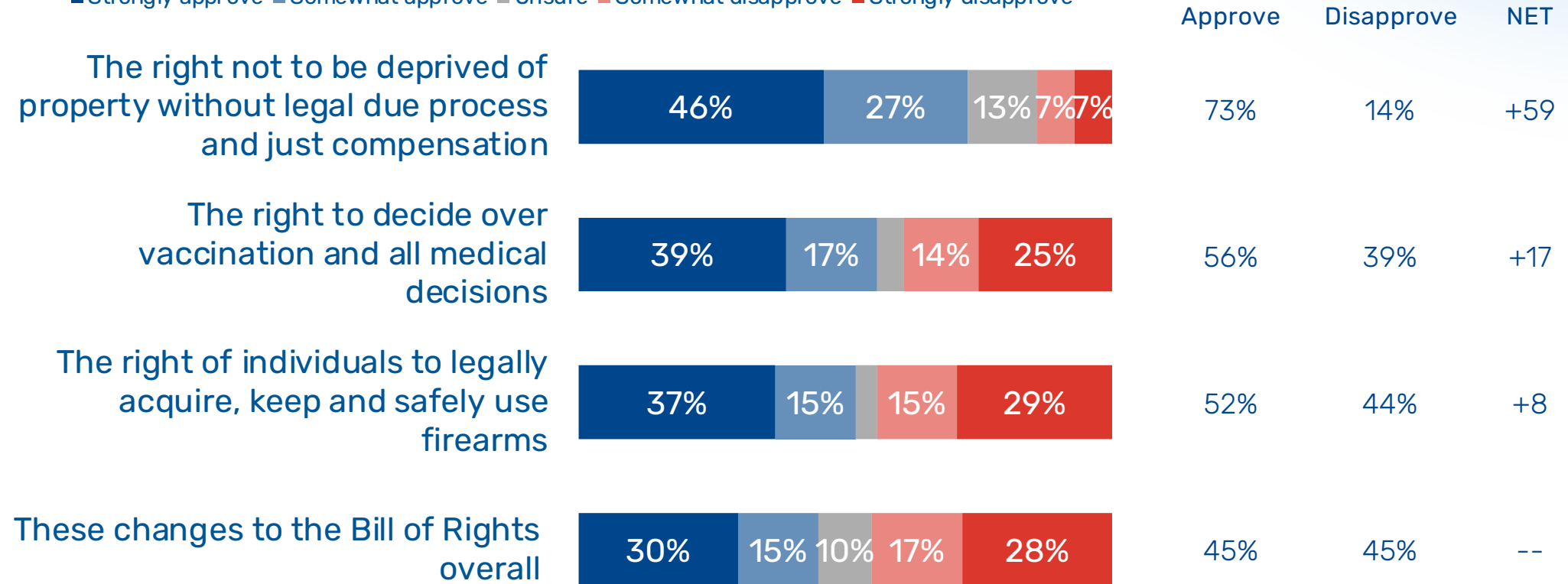
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# Approval of Proposed Bill of Rights Amendments



Recently, Premier Smith announced that the provincial government would introduce amendments to the Bill of Rights this fall. To what extent do you personally approve or disapprove of each?

■ Strongly approve ■ Somewhat approve ■ Unsure ■ Somewhat disapprove ■ Strongly disapprove



Base: All respondents (n=1,143) | NET: Approve minus disapprove

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## By Region



*To what extent do you approve or disapprove of each proposed amendment to Alberta's Bill of Rights?*

**% approve**

**Region**

(strongly or somewhat)

	Total	Calgary	Edmonton	North	Central	South
Base: All respondents	(n=1,143)	(n=407)	(n=371)	(n=129)	(n=122)	(n=113)
The right not to be deprived of property without due process/just compensation	73%	71%	65%	83%	87%	80%
The right to decide over vaccination and all medical decisions	56%	53%	47%	72%	72%	61%
The right of individuals to legally acquire, keep and safely use firearms	52%	47%	43%	76%	69%	58%
These changes to the Bill of Rights overall	45%	42%	34%	67%	66%	48%

Note: Shading [blue] denotes significant differences among sub-samples

Base: All respondents

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## By Last Provincial Vote and Education



*To what extent do you approve or disapprove of each proposed amendment to Alberta's Bill of Rights?*

### % approve

(strongly or somewhat)

### Last Prov. Vote

	Total	UCP	NDP
	(n=1,143)	(n=513)	(n=455)
The right not to be deprived of property without due process/just compensation	73%	92%	53%
The right to decide over vaccination and all medical decisions	56%	84%	24%
The right of individuals to legally acquire, keep and safely use firearms	52%	83%	18%
These changes to the Bill of Rights overall	45%	79%	8%

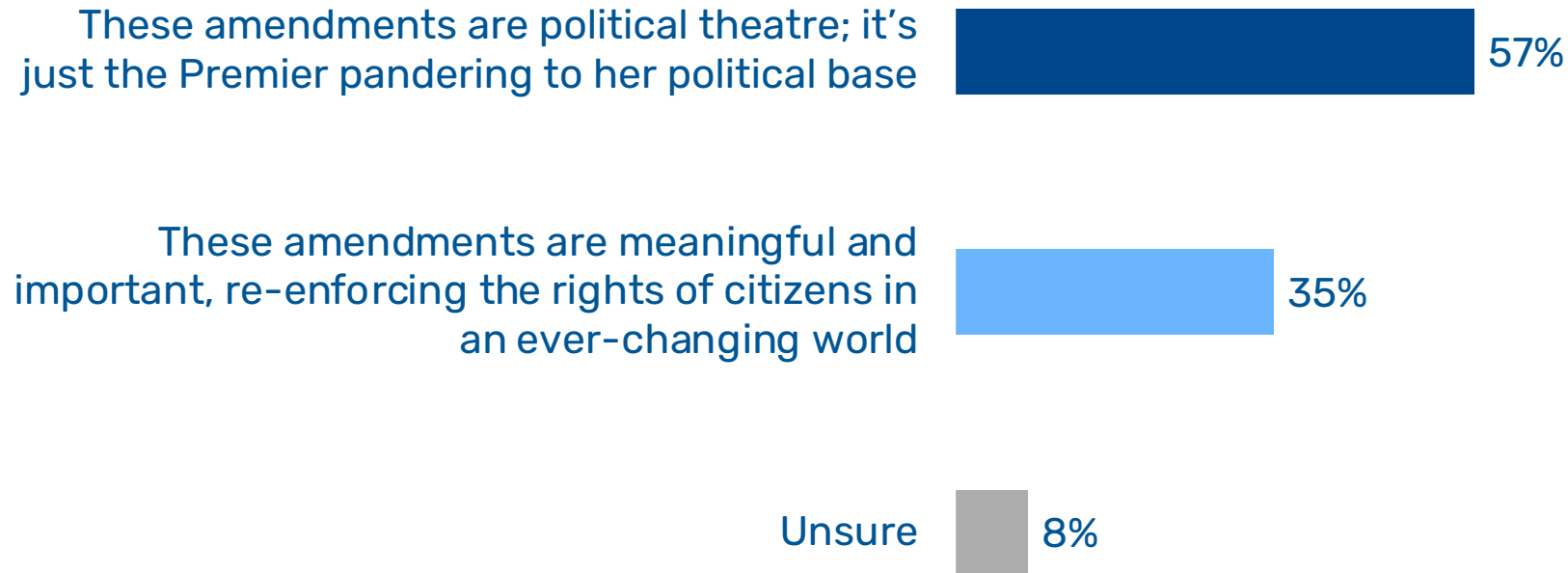
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# Opinions of Reasons for Proposed Amendments



*When it comes to these proposed amendments to Alberta's Bill of Rights, different people have different views on why they are being introduced. Which of the following two broad points of view best reflects your own personal feelings?*



Base: All respondents (n=1,143)

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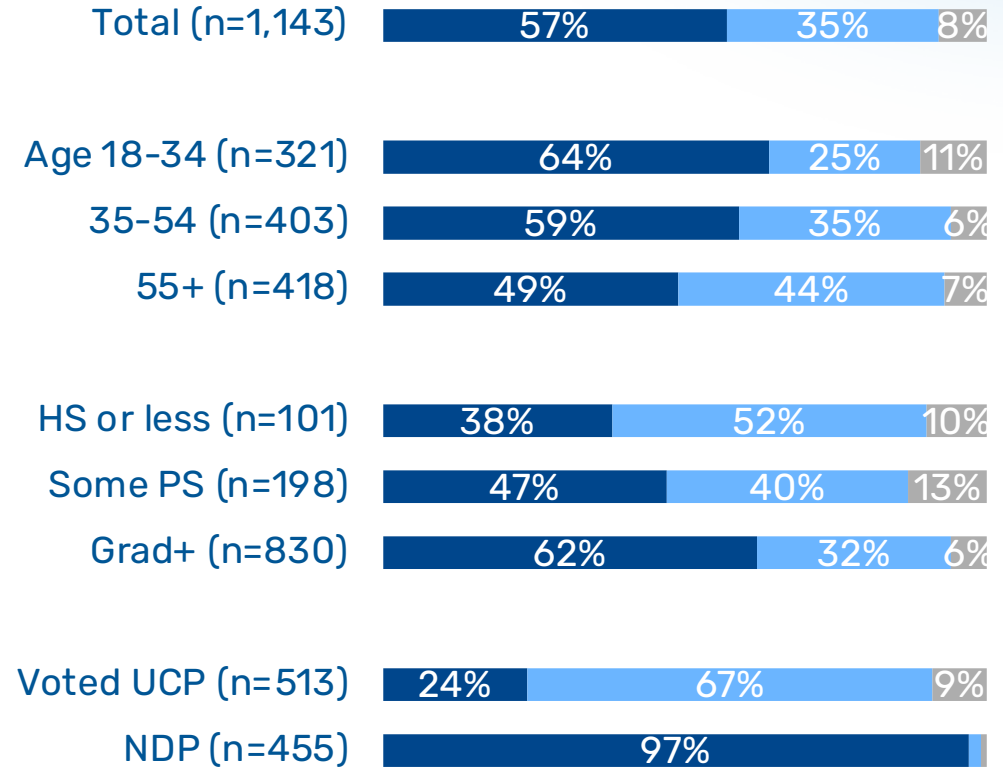
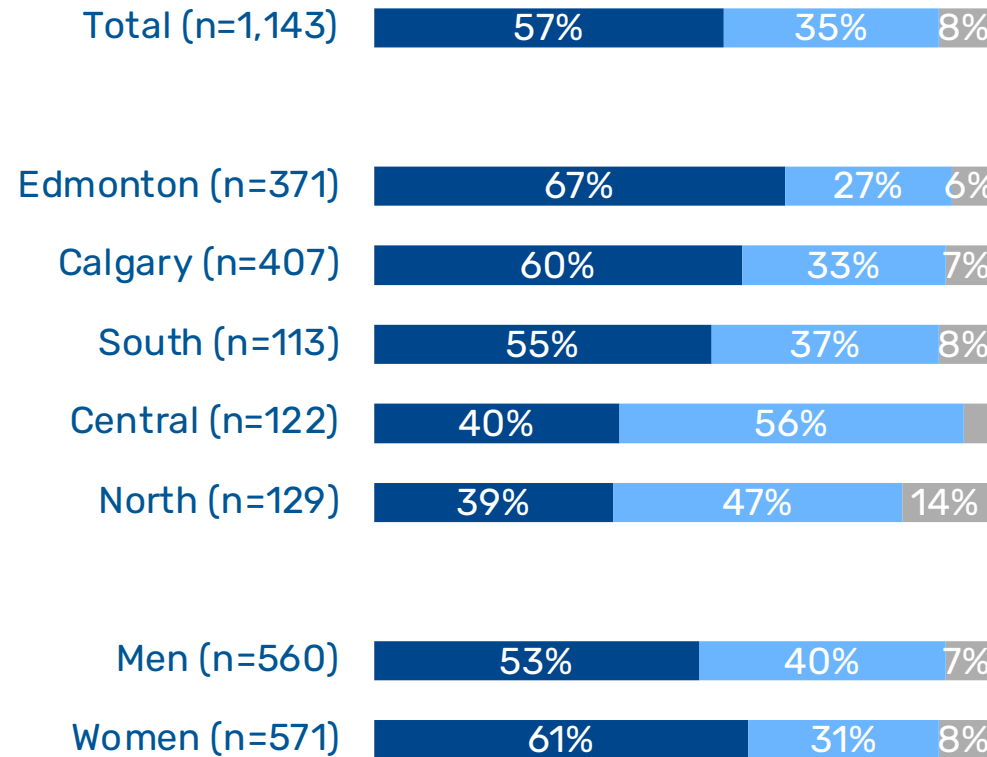
## By Key Demographics



*When it comes to these proposed amendments to Alberta's Bill of Rights, different people have different views on why they are being introduced. Which of the following two broad points of view best reflects your own personal feelings?*

■ Political theatre ■ Meaningful changes ■ Unsure

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## Research Methodology



- **Approach:** Online survey of Adult Albertans
- **Region:** Alberta
- **Field dates:** Oct 1 – 4, 2024
- **Sample size:** n=1,143
- **Sampling:** A random stratified sample of panelists was invited to complete the survey from panel partners
- **Weighting:** Weighted to reflect gender, age and region of the Alberta population according to Stats Canada
- **Margin of error:** The margin of error for a comparable probability-based random sample of this size is **+/- 2.9 percentage points, 19 times out of 20**

Sample sizes:	Unweighted	Weighted	MOE*
Alberta total	n=1,143	n=1,143	+/- 2.9
Calgary	n=424	n=407	+/- 4.7
Edmonton	n=359	n=371	+/- 5.2
Northern Alberta	n=119	n=129	+/- 9.0
Central Alberta	n=119	n=122	+/- 9.0
Southern Alberta	n=122	n=113	+/- 8.9

\*Margin of error: Percentage points 19 times out of 20.

The margin of error is associated with a probability sample of this size.

Accuracy of sub-samples of the data decline based on sample sizes





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