Study: Canadians' willingness to get a COVID-19 vaccine

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The development of a COVID-19 vaccine has been identified as an important factor in reopening the economy and relaxing physical distancing measures. However, previous research has found that individuals' level of trust in policy makers and public health authorities is associated with their willingness to engage in such public health measures.

A new study examines how crowdsourcing participants' willingness to receive a COVID-19 vaccination when one becomes available, differs by their level of trust in other people, government and public health authorities.

More than two-thirds of crowdsourcing participants indicated that they were very likely to get a COVID-19 vaccine when one becomes available. Moreover, the willingness to get a COVID-19 vaccine differed between participants with high and low levels of trust in government and public health authorities.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5323.

The research article "Canadians' willingness to get a COVID-19 vaccine when one becomes available: What role does trust play?," released today as part of the series *StatCan COVID-19: Data to Insights for a Better Canada* (45280001), is now available.

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