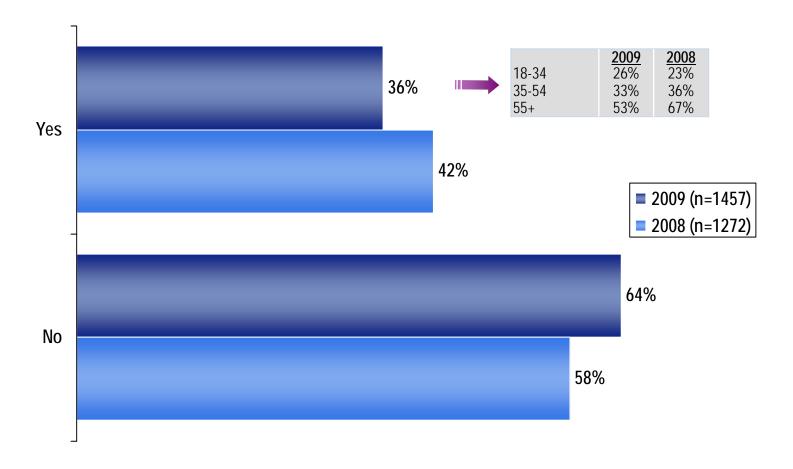


Just over 1-in-3 Canadians in 2009 say they are planning (or have planned) for retirement; the decline from 2008 is most noticeable among those aged 55+



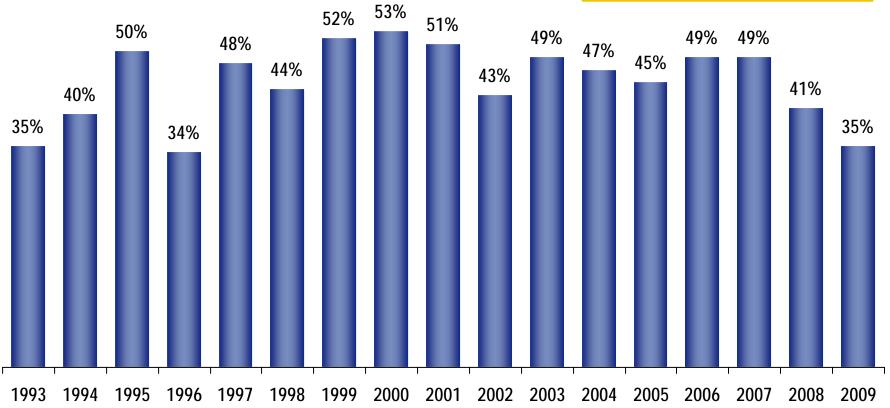
Q.B3 Prior to retiring, did you do any retirement planning?/ Are you currently doing any retirement planning? Base: All respondents





Just one-third of Canadians have contributed to, or plan to contribute to, an RRSP this year – the lowest contribution incidence in 14 years



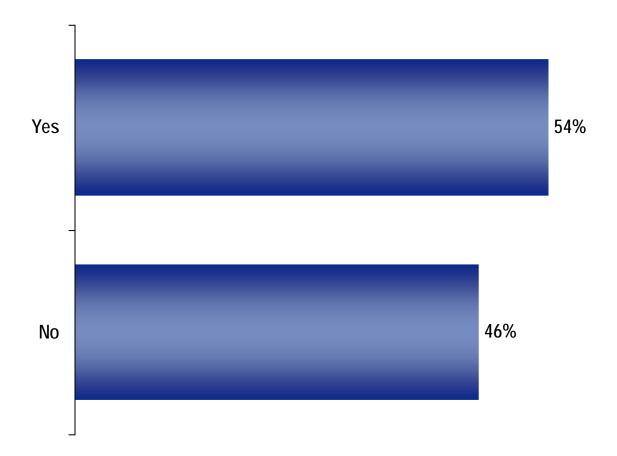


Q.C4a Have you already contributed to, or do you plan to contribute to a Registered Retirement Savings Plan or RRSP this tax year? Base: All respondents (n=1457)





Among those who will not make a contribution this year or who plan to contribute less than they did in 2008, half say they will decrease their contributions because of the economy

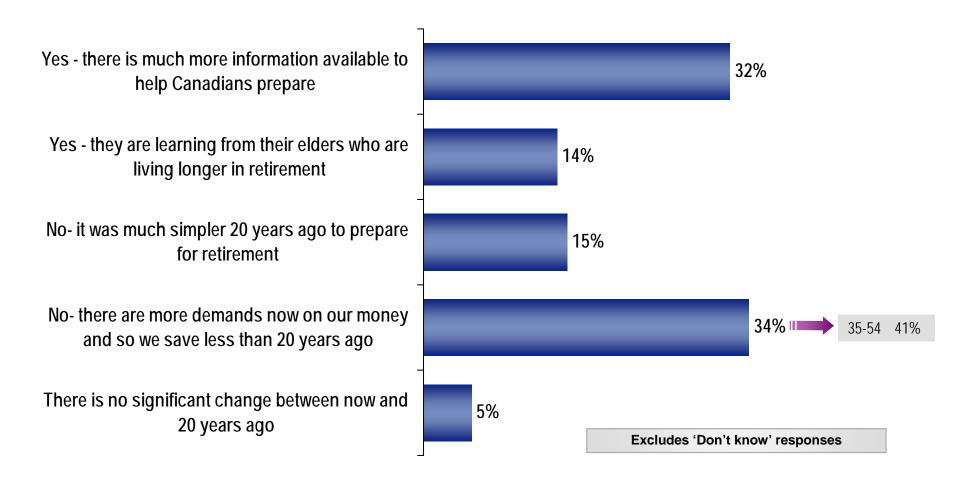


Q.C5b Will you decrease your contribution or not contribute to your RRSP this year because of current economic conditions? Base: Have RRSP and have not contributed/do not plan to contribute (n=392)





Almost half think Canadians are better prepared for retirement than they were 20 years ago. However, those aged 35-54 are more likely to say there are more demands on their money, making it harder to prepare for retirement.



Q.B4a In general, do you think that Canadians are better prepared for their retirement than they were 20 years ago? Which of the following statements best describes what you think? Base: All respondents (n=1457)

