

Bill C-560

Bill C-560 would amend Canada's Divorce Act to require a **rebuttable presumption for equal shared parenting**, except in cases of proven neglect or abuse.

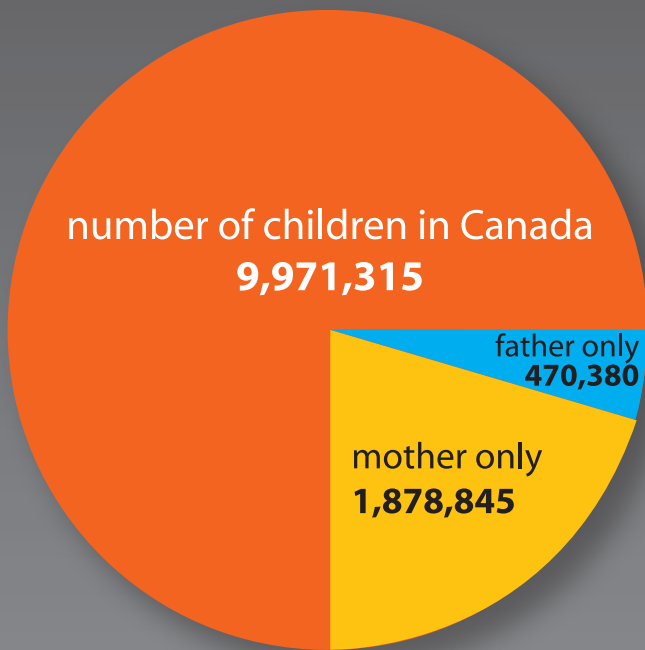
Canadians support equal shared parenting:

- ▶ support 72%, opposed 10%, undecided 18%
- ▶ supported by women 69% and men 75%

National support by party affiliation:

- ▶ Greens: 71%
- ▶ Liberals: 72%
- ▶ NDP: 72%
- ▶ Conservatives: 76%

source: Vision Critical national poll, March 2014



source: 2011 Canadian census

CANADIAN FAMILY COURT ORDERS

CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS

granted to mothers: 96%
granted to fathers: 4%

SOLE CUSTODY ORDERS

granted to mothers: 77.7%
granted to fathers: 5.2%

More than two-thirds of children whose parents have **Legal Shared Custody** court orders live exclusively with their mother

Number of provinces and territories with a government agency dedicated to enforcing child support orders: **13**

Number of provinces and territories with a government agency dedicated to enforcing custody & access orders: **0**

INTACT FAMILY CHILD CARE RESPONSIBILITIES

- ▶ Women are either primary earners or equal breadwinners in just over half of Canadian families
- ▶ One in three fathers have primary responsibility for child care
- ▶ In dual-income families, men and women are equally likely to miss work for child care

source: 2012 Work-balance and Caregiving National Study, Linda Duxbury, Carleton University & Christopher Higgins, Western University

sources: National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth (NLSCY)

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