

**Up to 750,000 Canadian Born Citizens Hold A Second Passport**  
*Dual Citizenship More Common Among Canadian Born Than Previously Thought*

**Toronto, Nov. 1, 2007** – According to an Ipsos-Reid survey commissioned by the Institute up to 750,000 Canadians who acquired their citizenship through birth hold the passport of a country other than Canada.

Ipsos-Reid surveyed 1,000 Canadians by telephone between October 7 and October 26. Respondents were asked if they were born in Canada and whether they held the citizenship of a country other than Canada. The survey results indicate that of the approximately one in ten respondents who indicated they were the citizen of a country other than Canada one-third (33%) were born in Canada.

Canadian born dual citizens are proportionally distributed across the country by region and province. They predominantly live in major urban centers (79%) versus rural (21%). The cities with the highest concentrations are Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa, in that order. Canadian born women are almost as likely as men to be dual citizens. They are on average 46 years of age. Canadian born dual citizens are more educated than the Canadian population as a whole with 81% having completed a high school education. They are also an affluent group with almost one in five earning \$100,000 or more per annum.

For more findings please see the surveys' detailed tables:

<http://www.dominion.ca/CanadianBornDualCitizensTables.pdf>

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