

Canadian Perspective on the Paramedic Profession

National Poll

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The Poll

2000 Canadians
Oversample British Columbia,
Ontario, Quebec
November 14-21, 2014
Error rate: +/- 2.5%, 19 times in
20

Comparing 2012 and 2014

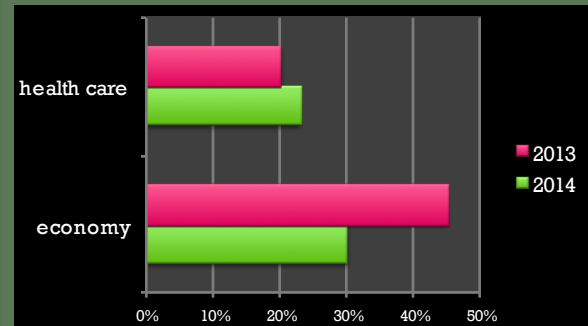
Canadian Perspective

- The percentage of Canadians selecting the economy as the most important issue facing Canada is down 15 points from 2012.

Canadian Perspective

- Economy still No.1
- Health Care No.2

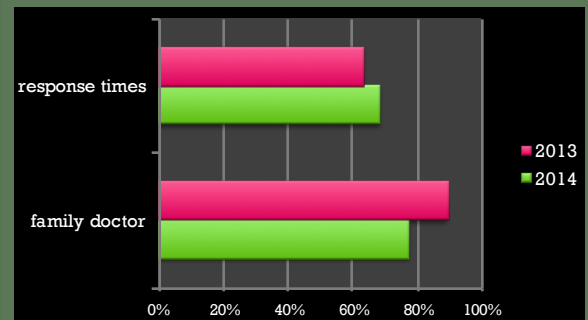
Changing Perspective



Canadian Perspective

- since 2012, there has been a slight increase in the number of Canadians who see paramedic response times as a problem while there are fewer who consider access to a family doctor as a major problem.

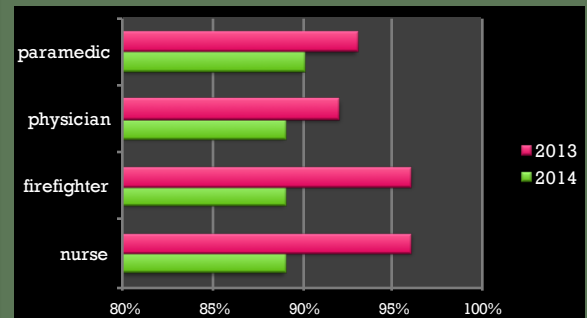
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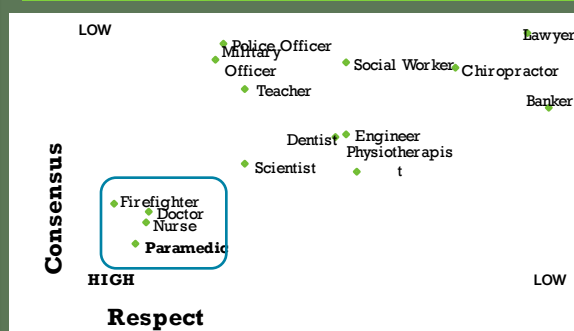
Paramedics

- one of the most respected health care professions in Canada, and along with doctors and nurses

A lot and considerable respect



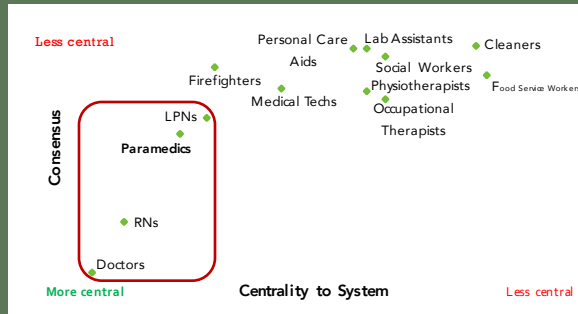
Respect and Consensus



Paramedics

- are seen by a strong majority of Canadians to play a central role in the health care system

Role in Healthcare



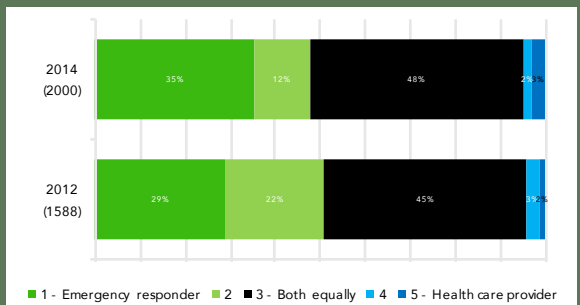
Paramedics

- seen by a strong majority of Canadians to be centrally important to providing public safety in Canada

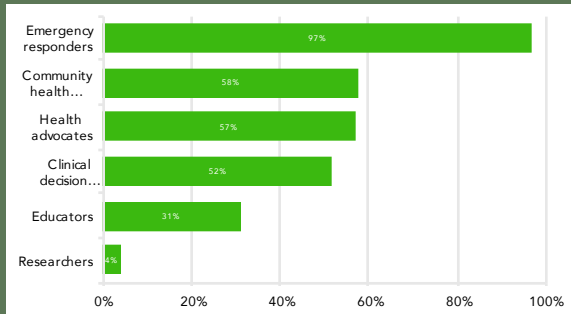
Role in Public Safety



Paramedic Duality



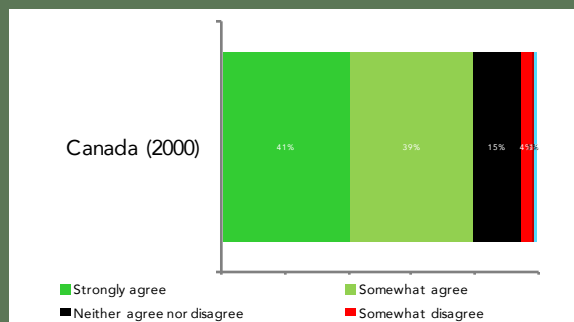
Paramedic Roles



Paramedics

- as highly educated and trained health care providers

Highly educated?

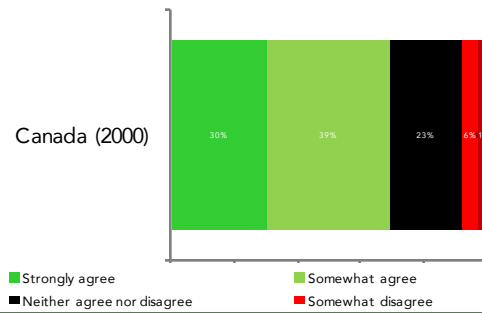


Paramedics

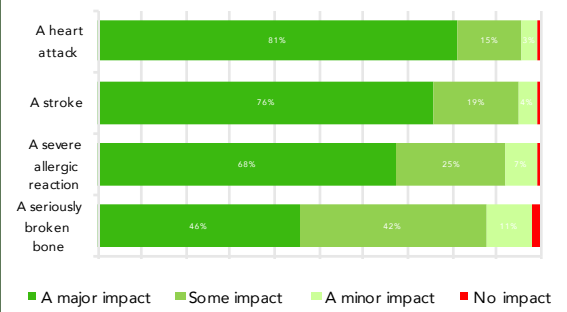
- can play a larger role in delivering health care

A larger role in health care

Canada (2000)



Medical Impact



Community Paramedic

- As a concept, community paramedicine continues to be largely unknown. However, Canadians are very receptive once they are made aware.

Community Paramedic Awareness

