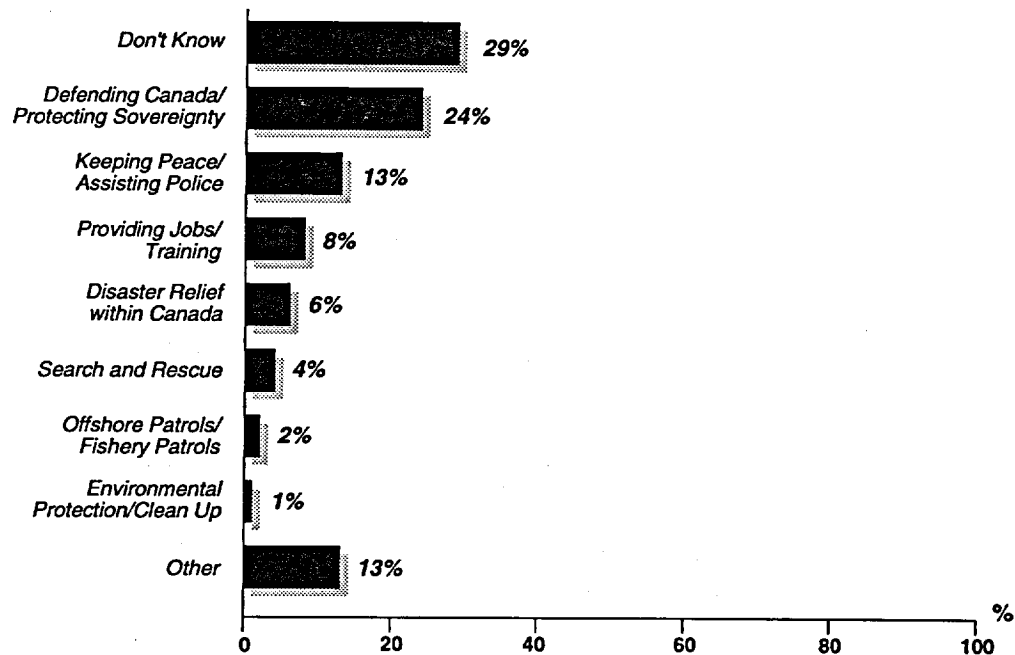


Figure 10
The Main Domestic Role of the CF



Fishery patrols are mentioned by only 2% of Canadians. This again is surprising, given that illegal fishing was identified as the second most serious threat to Canada of the five potential threats tested in this study (see Figure 6). The provision of economic benefits and employment is identified by 10% of Canadians outside Québec as the Armed Forces' main domestic role, but by only 1% of Quebecers.

Providing disaster relief within Canada was seen to be the most important domestic role of the Armed Forces by 6% of Canadians. This perception is higher in Western Canada (9%) than in the rest of the country (4%).

Twenty-nine percent of Canadians cannot suggest the most important domestic role the CF fulfils, and this is especially common (37%) among Canadians who did not complete high school.

The hierarchy of roles depicted in Figure 10 disappears when Canadians are asked to rate the importance of five different domestic roles of the Armed Forces. As Figure 11 shows, for example, drug interdiction is considered important by 71% of Canadians, even though almost no one identified it as an important domestic role in Figure 10.