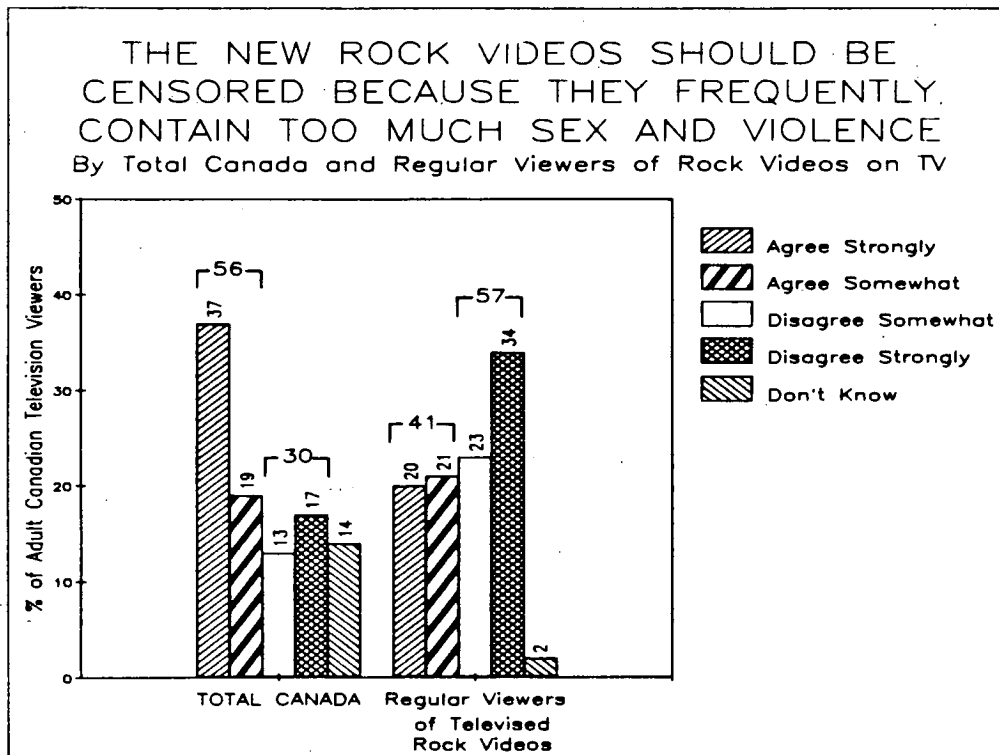


Censorship of Rock Videos

Canadians are in favour of censoring rock videos by a ratio of almost 2 to 1. Among television viewers, 56 per cent agree that the new rock videos should be censored because they frequently contain too much sex or violence; 30 per cent disagree and 14 per cent have no opinion one way or the other.

Support is also fairly high among people who regularly watch rock videos. While the majority - 57 per cent - say they should not be censored, a considerable minority - 41 per cent - say they should.



Censorship of Television in General

Depending on one's point of view, television censorship protects society's moral standards by screening out anti-social or improper behaviour which could have a damaging effect on all or certain segments of the viewing public; or restricts society's freedom of expression and exploration of new thoughts and ideas.

Canadians may be critical of specific aspects of television, but there is certainly no consensus for stricter censorship of the medium. Canadian viewers are, in fact, quite divided on the issue with 50 per cent in favour of stricter censorship and 47 per cent opposed.