

VOTING AGE

WHY SHOULD IT CHANGE?

the current
VOTING AGE IN
Canada is

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Many believe that lowering the voting age to

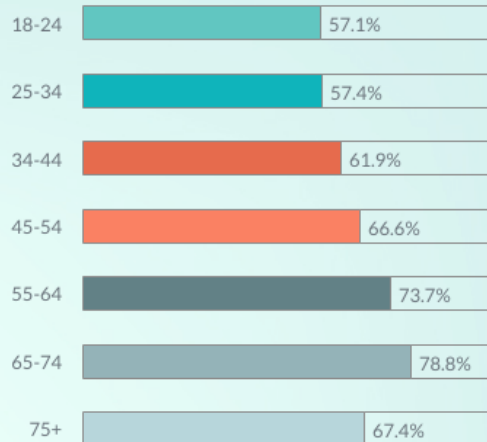
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would not only encourage youth to become more educated and involved in the political aspects of the government, but also create a more inclusive and collaborative system that represents a greater whole of opinions

In 2015, 57.1% of 18-24 year-olds voted in the election, which was a jump of 18.3 percent from the 2011 election (38.8%).

Though obviously increasing, the percentage of the 18-24 year-old voters was the least in the election, and the highest was the 65-74 year olds. This is quite odd to many people, seeing as the generation with the least amount of input is the generation that will depend on the elected decisions the longest.

The decisions made through elections affect the lives of the youth the most, so why shouldn't they get a greater say in their futures?



Percentage of Voter Turnouts 2015

YOUTH DESERVE A SAY



It is quite obvious how neglected youth issues are within most political parties, so who better to voice a stand for youth concerns than the youth itself?

"Empowering 16-year-olds with the vote would open the door to new respect for young people's opinions and an era of equality for all generations.

-Craig Kielburger

