



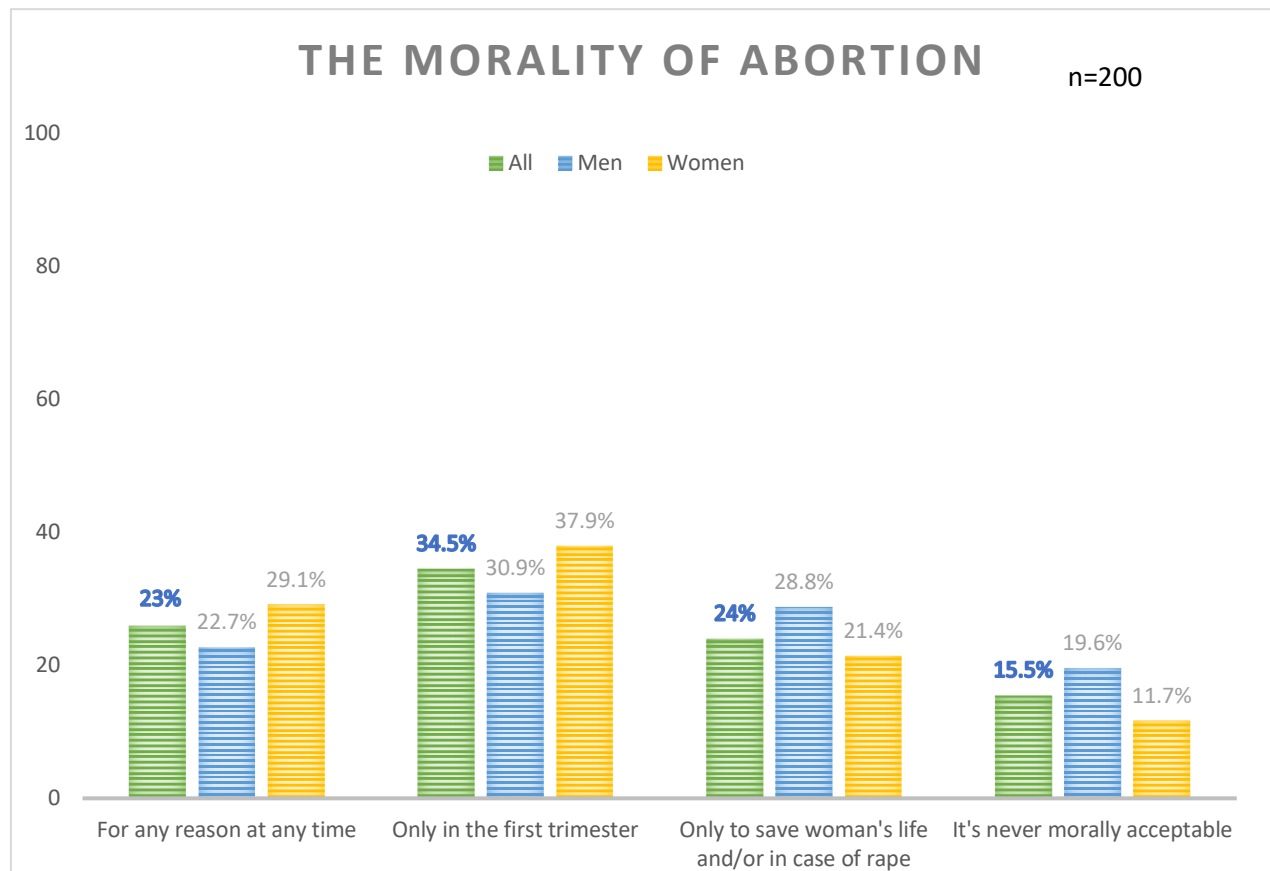
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Kelowna Right to Life Survey Results

1: Participants were asked which of the following best describes their current position on abortion:

- A. *It's morally acceptable for any reason at any time during pregnancy.*
- B. *It's morally acceptable for any reason only in the first 3 months of pregnancy.*
- C. *It's only morally acceptable to save the life of the mother and/or in case of rape.*
- D. *It's never morally acceptable.*

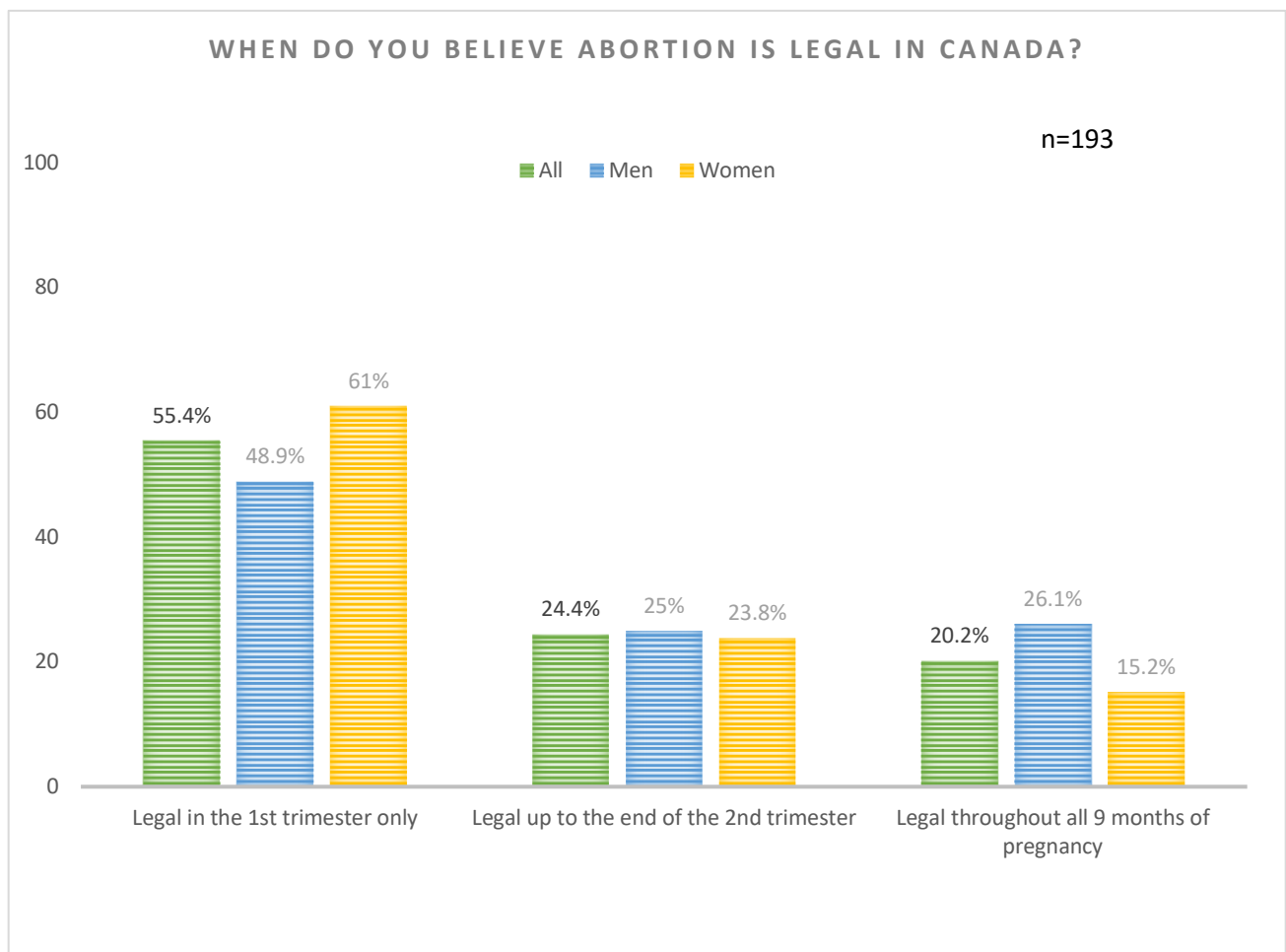
Conclusion: There is no majority consensus on the morality of abortion, but only 23% agree the current legal status on abortion is morally acceptable. 39.5% take the position that abortion is always wrong or only morally permissible in the case of rape or to save the life of the mother. Loosely speaking, more women (67%) think abortion is morally acceptable in the first trimester than men (53.6%).



2: To gauge how well people know the current legal status of abortion in Canada, participants were asked which statement they you believe is most accurate:

- A. Elective abortion is legal in Canada during the 1st trimester only,*
- B. Elective abortion is legal in Canada up to the end of the 2nd trimester, or*
- C. Elective abortion is legal in Canada throughout all nine months of pregnancy.*

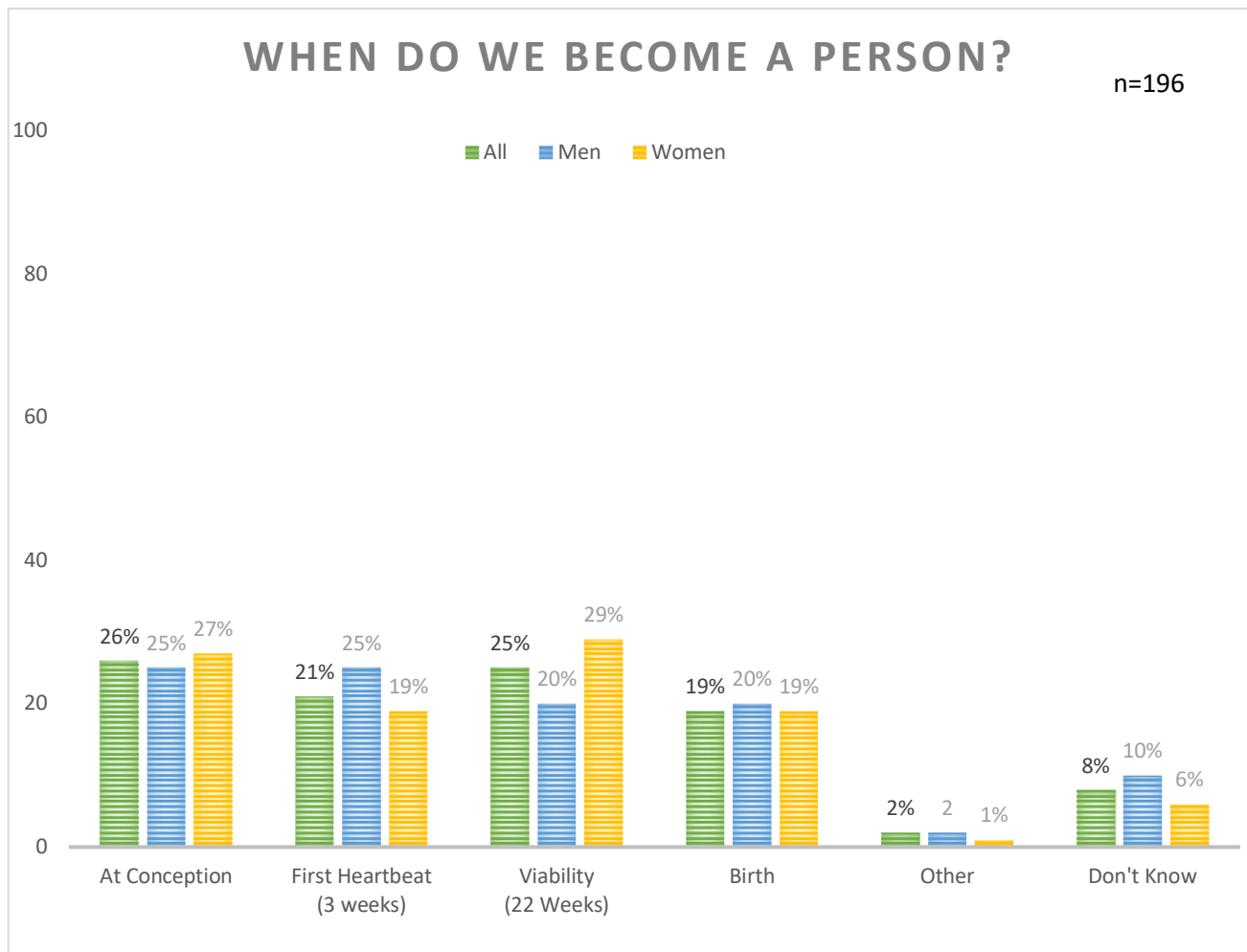
Conclusion: Only 20.2% of Kelowna residents are aware there are no legal gestational limits on abortion in Canada. A majority (55%) including 61% of women falsely believe abortion is legal only in the first trimester. Men were more evenly divided among the three options given. 26.1% of men, compared to only 15.2% of women, correctly believe abortion is legal throughout all nine months of pregnancy in Canada.



3: Participants were asked when they believe we become a person and given the following options:

- A. Conception / Fertilization.
- B. Heartbeat (3 weeks)
- C. Viability (22 weeks)
- D. Moment of Birth
- E. Other – When woman decides
- F. Don't know

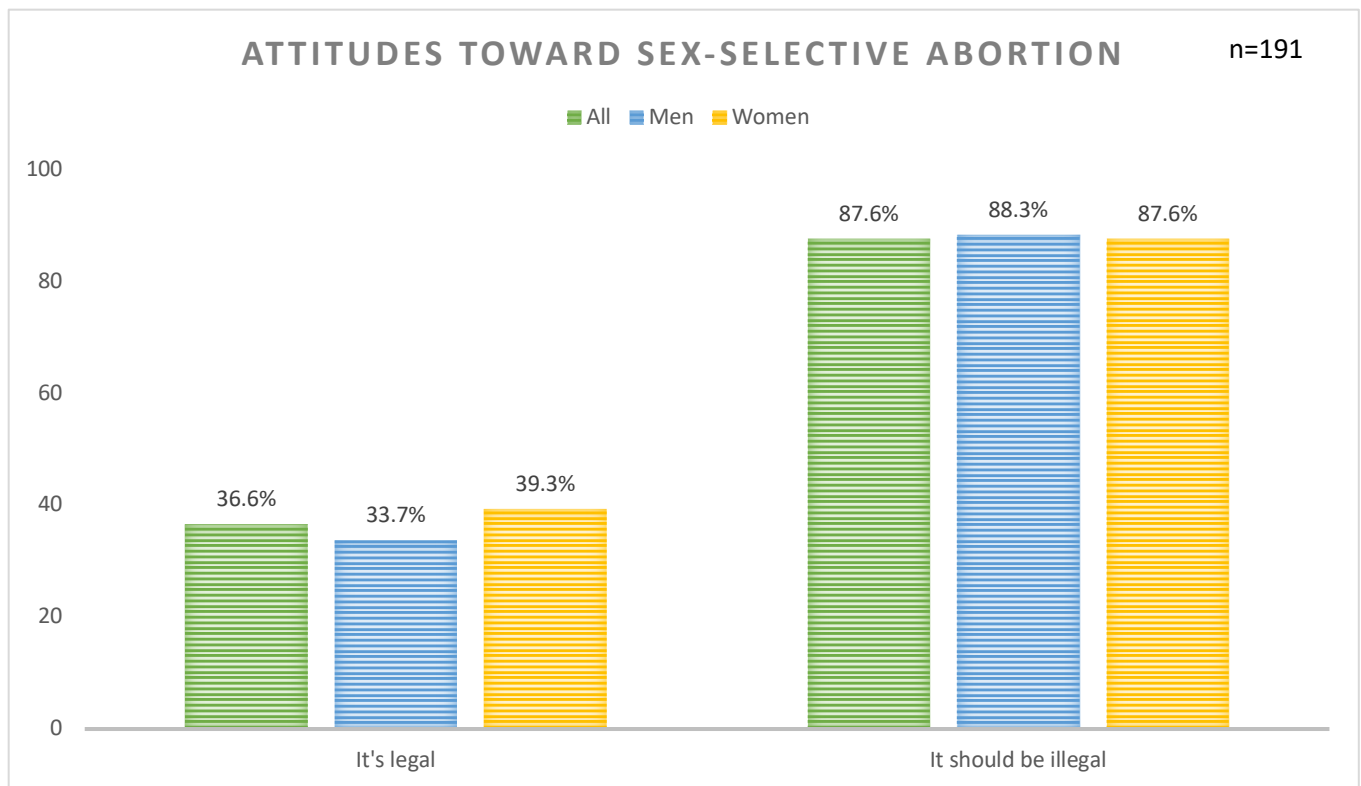
Conclusion: There is no majority belief about when we become persons, with the most popular belief among all respondents, 26%, claiming we become a person at conception. The most popular answer was among women, 29% believing we become a person at “viability.” Section 223 of the Canada Criminal Code defines as a human being as coming into existence when the baby is completely outside the mother and in a living state. Only 19% of all respondents agree with the Criminal Code’s definition of a human being. 2% said some other time than options provided and 8% could not provide an answer.



4: Participants were asked their opinions on sex-selection abortion, whether they believe it is legal in Canada and if they believe it should be legal.

- a) True or false, abortion for sex-selection purposes is legal in Canada.
- b) Should abortion *solely for the purpose of* sex-selection be legal?

Conclusion: A large majority, 87.6%, of Kelowna residents believe sex-selective abortion should be illegal in Canada, but 63.4% mistakenly believe it currently is. There was a high degree of moral indignation toward this practice, even among many of those who supported legal abortion.



5: Participants were asked if they think *elective, non-medical* abortions should be paid for by the tax-payer, ie government funded in Canada.

Conclusion: A solid majority (58.7%) of participants believe abortion should not be paid for using tax dollars. More men than women (69.7% to 49%) are opposed to tax-funded abortion.

