

# Exploring the Experiences of Canadian Veterinarians as part of a One Health Approach to Canine Importation



Canine importation is a complex system that mixes dogs from other countries with people and animals in a new environment. Infectious diseases carried by imported dogs may spread to other dogs, animals and in some cases even people.



560 CANADIAN VETERINARIANS COMPLETED AN ANONYMOUS ONLINE SURVEY

59%

reported seeing imported dogs once a week or on a monthly basis

52%

reported the United States as the most common location of importation

29%

considered the animal and human infectious disease risks to be high risk

87%

did not agree that pet owners were well educated on the welfare risks associated with importing dogs