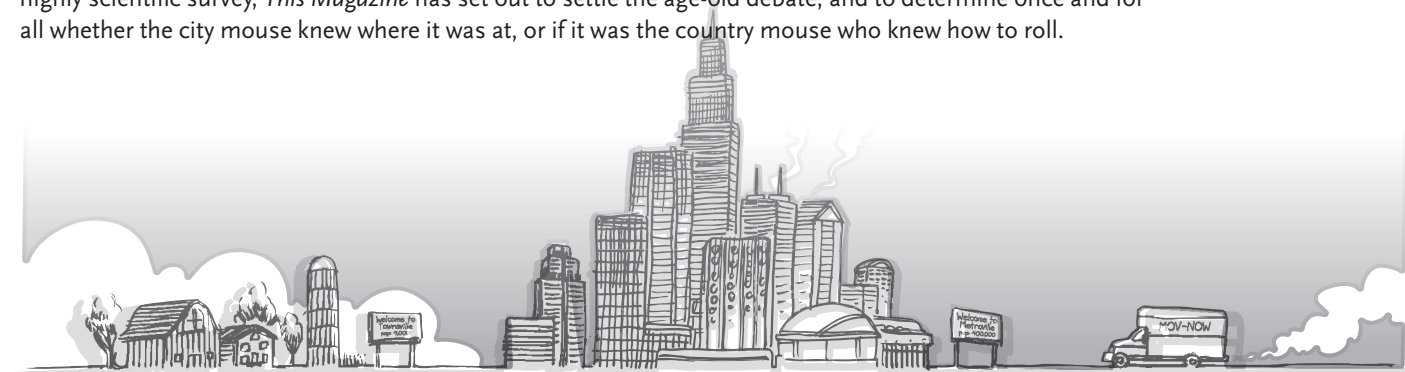


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City vs. Country

CANADA IS HUGE: 9,984,670 square kilometres, most of which is wide-open and sparsely populated spaces. But more doesn't necessarily mean better, as the country's dominantly urban population will tell you. In this highly scientific survey, *This Magazine* has set out to settle the age-old debate, and to determine once and for all whether the city mouse knew where it was at, or if it was the country mouse who knew how to roll.



Country		City		Verdict	
Chances you know your neighbours		Country	City	Community is good	
More than 50 percent	Less than 20 percent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Chances your neighbours have at least one gun		Country	City	Guns are bad	
Close to 40 percent	Less than 14 percent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
What you earn at your job, on average		Country	City	See next point	
\$23,175 (in remote rural areas—think Wawa, Ontario or Eyebrow, Saskatchewan)	\$36,421 (in major urban centres like Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
What kind of house you get for \$170,000		Country	City	But we did like 1980	
P.E.I.: Nine-room, two-storey home with three bedrooms, two baths on 47.5 acres.	Vancouver: A single-storey, three-bedroom, 1.5 bath, 1,200 sq. ft. house on a 5,500 sq. ft. lot—in 1980.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Tim Hortons concentration per 100,000 people		Country	City	At least it started out Canadian	
Nova Scotia, minus Halifax: 17.5	Toronto: 4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Starbucks concentration per 100,000 people		Country	City	It may be evil, but it's got espresso	
Nova Scotia minus Halifax: 0.3	Toronto: 3.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Celebrity claims to fame		Country	City	Think "Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds"	
Pamela Anderson (Comox, B.C.)	William Shatner (Montreal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Internationally renowned intellectuals		Country	City	The medium really is the message	
John Kenneth Galbraith, born in Iona Station, Ontario	Marshall McLuhan, born in Edmonton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Local paper headline		Country	City	Who doesn't love a contest?	
"Contest urges people to clean out medicine cabinets" (<i>Fort Frances Times</i>)	"U.S. open to separate dialogue with Arabs" (<i>The Globe and Mail, Toronto edition</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Surprisingly interesting-sounding (real) publication from Statistics Canada		Country	City	Obviously	
"They're Tilling That Field Behind the Mall"	"Quit Yanking My Supply Chain: The Challenges Facing Travel Agencies in Canada"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Your response to lambs gamboling in a field		Country	City	Let's be realistic	
Ticks!	Awwww	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

And the winner is ... the country! Not that it really matters, since almost all of us live in cities. Now grab that double-tall extra-foamy cappuccino, and toast your friends in P.E.I., who can actually afford to buy a nice place to live.