

A day in the life of BC Residents

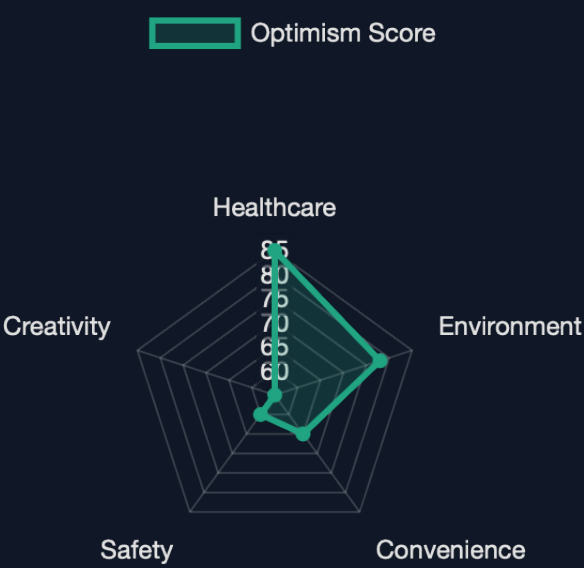
A journey into the heart of British Columbia's hopes and fears about Artificial Intelligence, based on the VANAI Round 3 dataset.

A Delicate Balance: Hope vs. Fear

Our analysis reveals a community captivated by AI's potential yet haunted by its consequences. This interactive experience explores that fundamental tension, translating data into the lived experiences of everyday British Columbians.

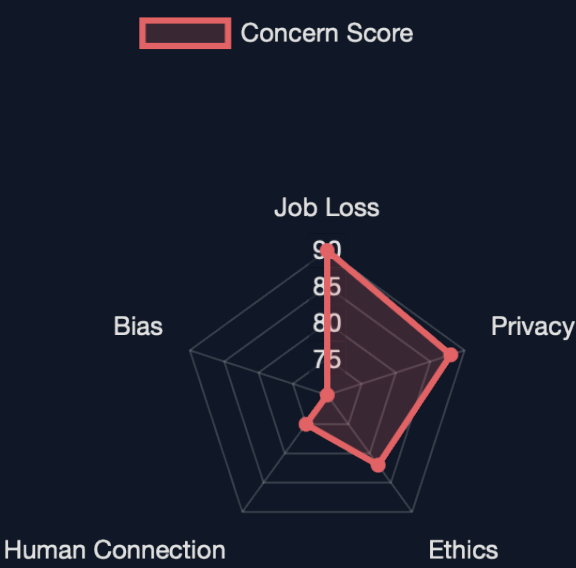
Realms of Optimism

BC residents see immense promise in AI's ability to solve critical challenges, particularly in health and the environment.



Shadows of Concern

Despite the hope, significant anxieties persist around job displacement, loss of privacy, and the erosion of human creativity.



A Day in the Life: Navigating the New Normal

Our narrative imagines a single day where ordinary choices become ethical crossroads. Each interaction with AI, no matter how small, carries the weight of our collective future.

7:15 AM: Quite morning Ritual

A choice between a personalized, energy-saving breakfast and the privacy of one's dietary habits. A simple meal becomes a negotiation with a data-hungry appliance.

8:30 AM: Optimized Coffee Order

Convenience and a discount are offered in exchange for letting an algorithm make our decisions. Is it a helpful suggestion or a subtle erosion of personal choice?

9:00 AM: Decision By Algorithm

The ultimate ethical test arrives without warning. The car must make a life-or-death decision in milliseconds, based on a pre-written equation, forcing us to confront the reality of silent, automated morality.

12:30 PM: Personalized Gallery Tour

An AI promises a perfectly curated art experience by scanning our social media. Does this enhance our appreciation or trap us in an echo chamber, shielding us from challenging art?

3:00 PM: The Artificial Twin

An AI "digital twin" detects a hidden health risk, offering a life-saving preventative plan. It's a miracle of modern medicine, but it also asks: how much autonomy do we cede for a healthier future?

7:00 PM: The Mechanical Kitchen

A beloved chef is replaced by a robotic kitchen. The meal is perfect, but the soul is gone. This scenario forces a choice between flawless efficiency and the value of human craftsmanship.

The Final Scene: The Leadership Dilemma

In this final scene, the narrative shifts to a call for accountability. The message is clear: the developers and deployers of AI must confront the emotions they stir—fear, distrust, hope—with integrity. The human element must be the foundation, not a footnote.

A call for a human-centred AI Future

Our journey through the data reveals a clear message: the human element must be the foundation of our AI future. This is not just about code; it's about conversation, collaboration, and ensuring that the systems we build reflect our deepest values.