

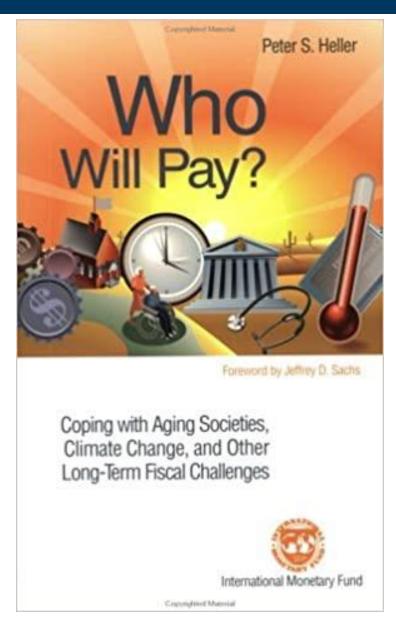
CCRE Roundtable

Presentation Date: June, 2025

The Fundamentals

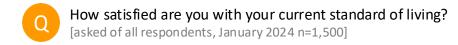


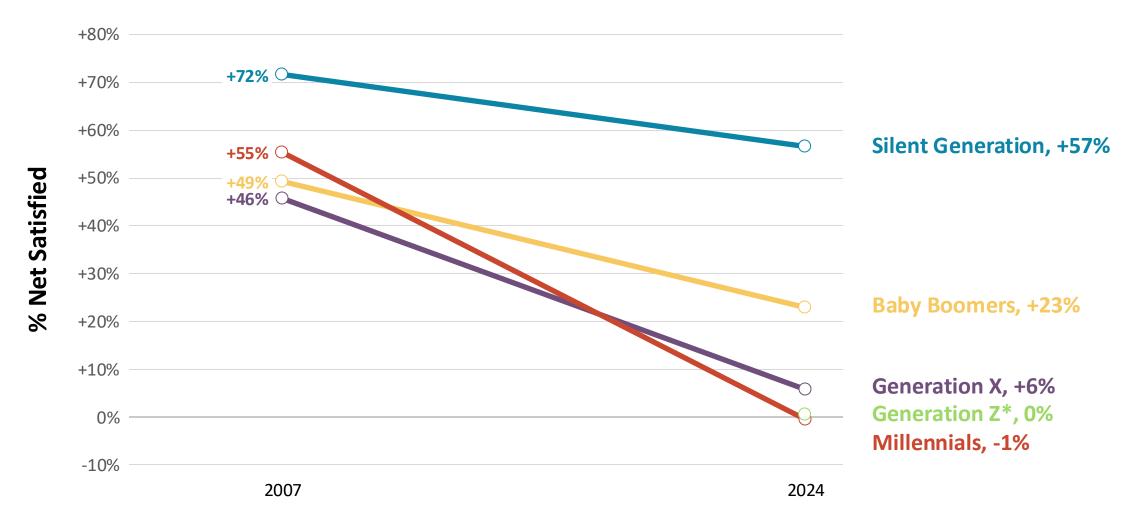
We left off on fundamental challenges that are changing Canadian realities





Satisfaction with Standard of Living Plummets





^{*}The group was not included in the 2007 survey because respondents were under the age of 18.

The politics of scarcity is also focusing us more on materialist concerns

Post Materialism Issues:

- Reconciliation
- Gender Equity
- Environment

Materialist Issues:

- Affordability
- Housing
- Safety

SELF-ACTUALIZA-TION

morality, creativity, spontaneity, acceptance, experience purpose, meaning and inner potential

SELF-ESTEEM

confidence, achievement, respect of others, the need to be a unique individual

LOVE AND BELONGING

friendship, family, intimacy, sense of connection

SAFETY AND SECURITY

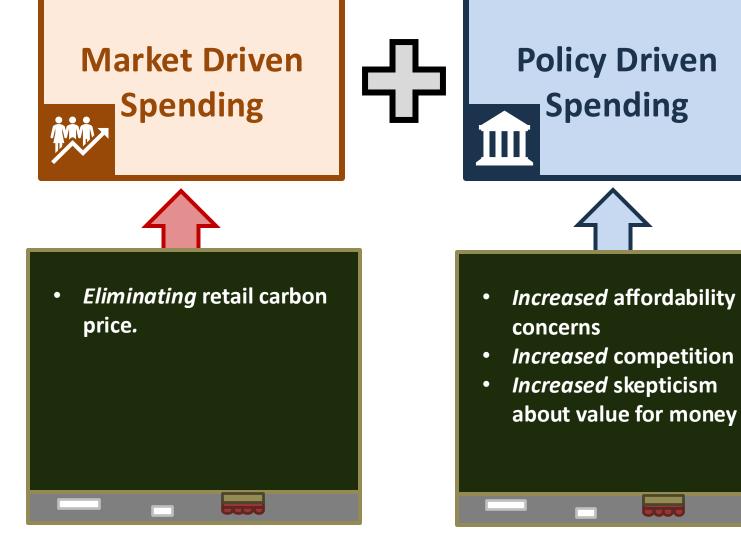
health, employment, property, family and social abilty

PHYSIOLOGICAL NEEDS

breathing, food, water, shelter, clothing, sleep



Those changes are impacting energy transition math







How Did We Get Here?



January - Setting the Stage

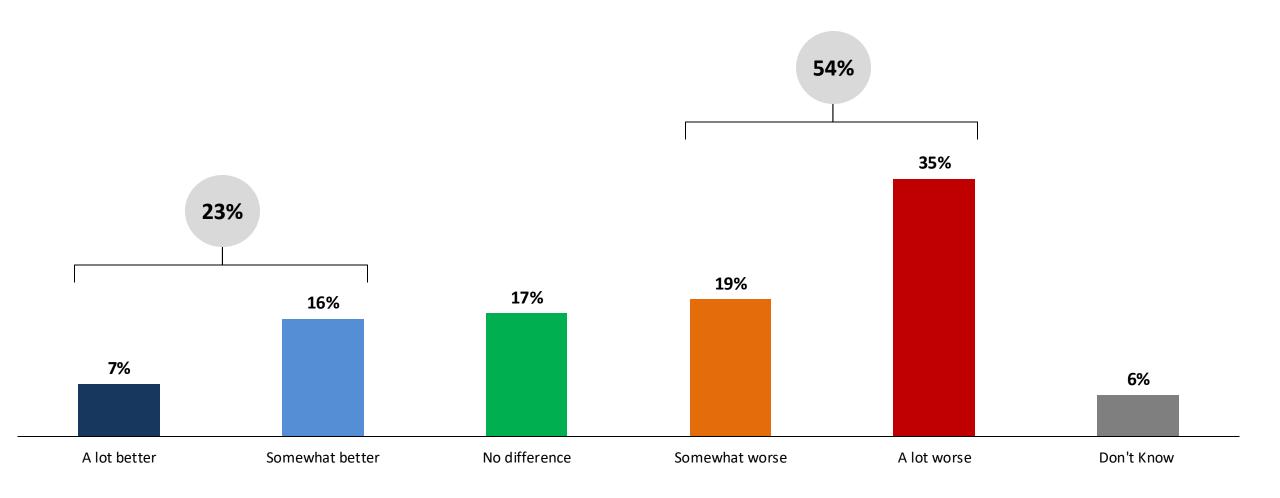
Trudeau Attitude:

Over half think that Trudeau has made things worse for them

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As you probably have heard, Justin Trudeau has resigned as Prime Minister. After serving as Prime Minister for the past 9 years, do you think Justin Trudeau has made things better or worse for people like you in Canada?

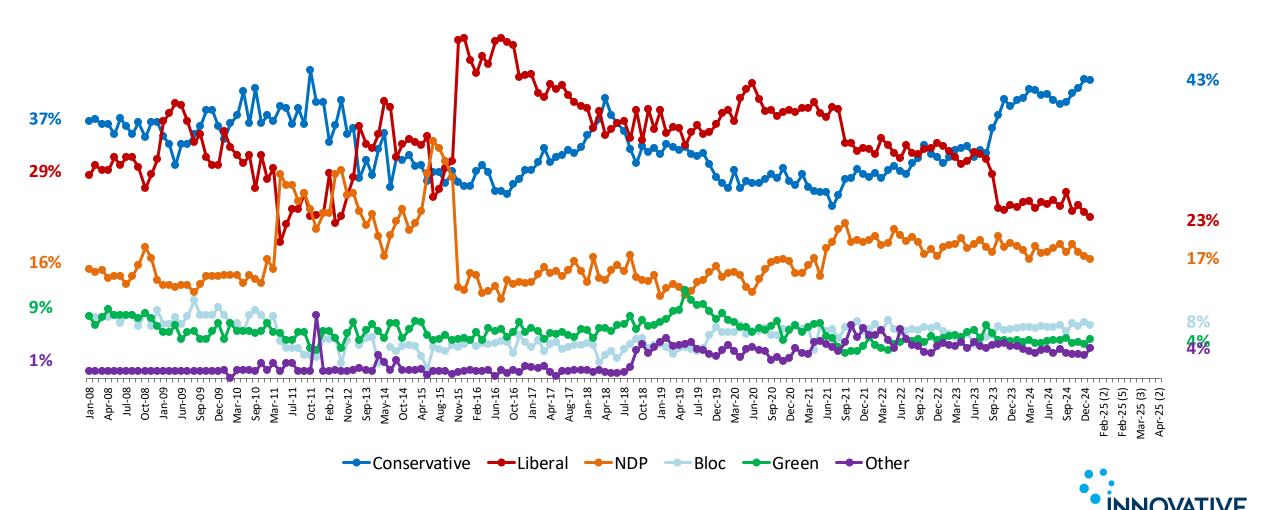
[asked of all respondents, n=1,000]



Federal Decided Vote Tracking: CPC leads by 20-points in January

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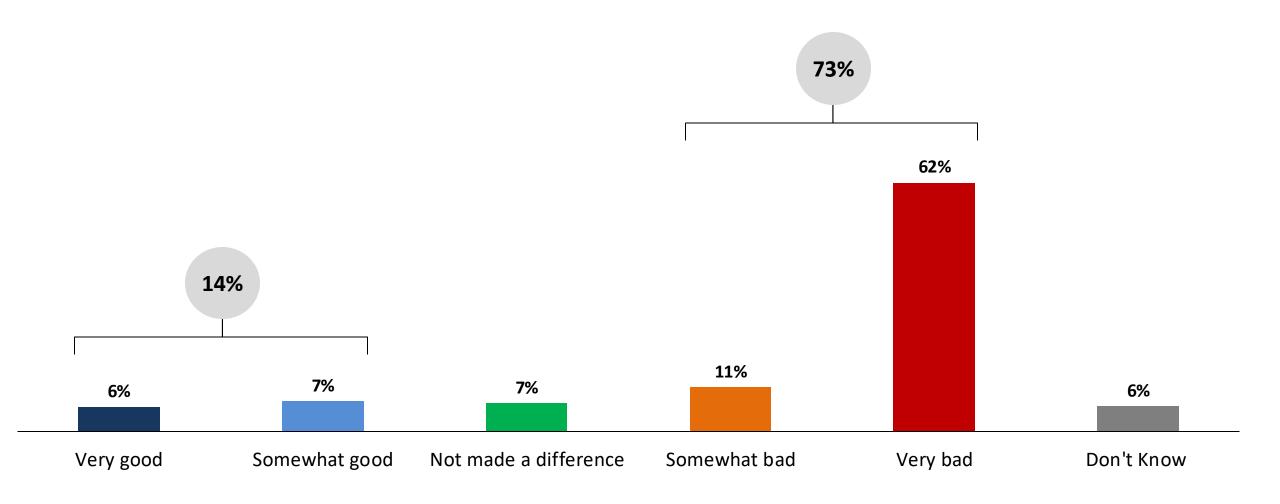
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [DECIDED] [asked only decided voters; n=912]



Trump shocks Canadians with 51st State comment

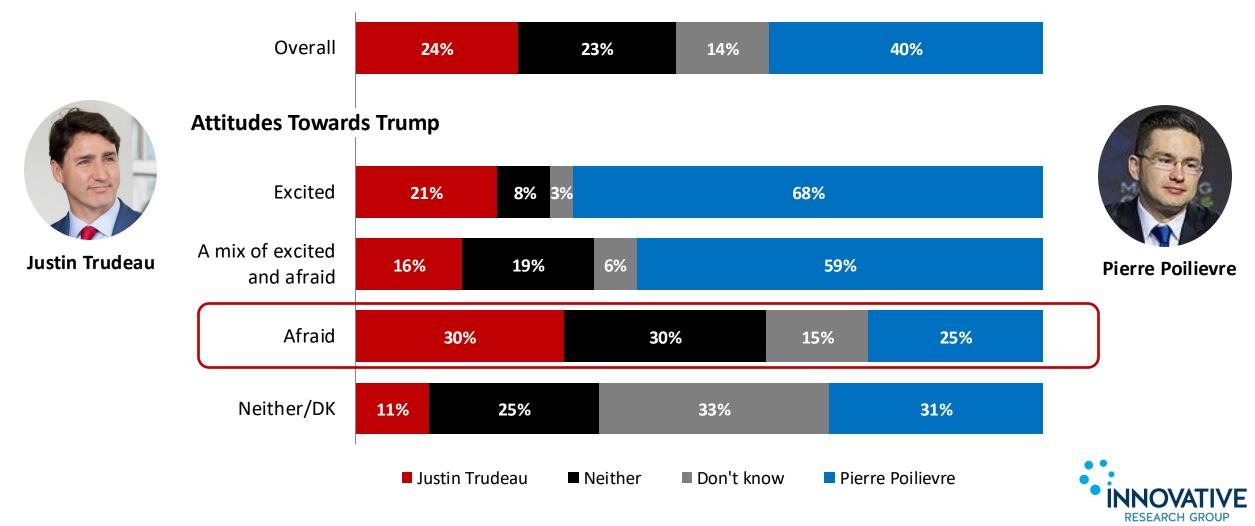
Donald Trump has suggested Canada become the 51st state in the United States. Do you think Canada joining the United States would be a good thing for Canada or a bad thing for Canada?

[asked of all respondents, n=1,000]



Best Leader for Canada-US Relations: Those who are excited prefer Poilievre but those afraid prefer Trudeau

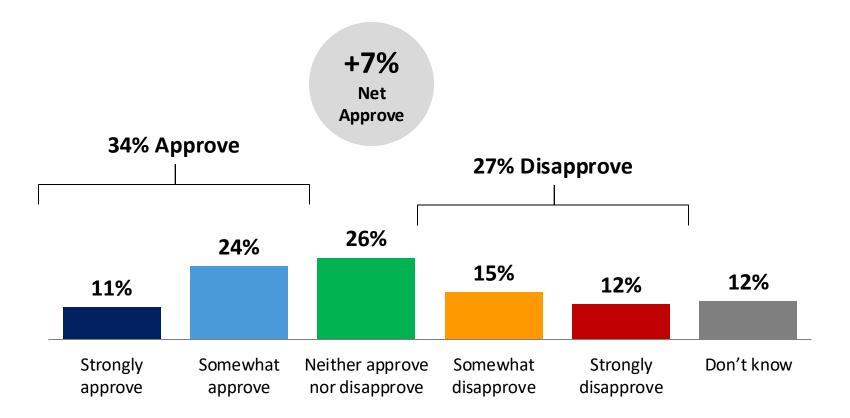
Which of the following leaders do you believe is more equipped to handle Canada-US relations during Trump's renewed presidency? BY Attitude Towards Trump

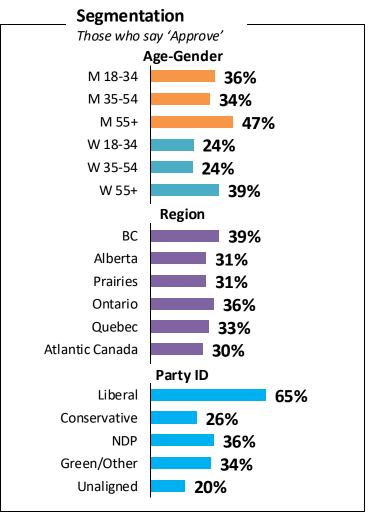


January Federal Trump Approval:

Canadians appear divided in their approval for the federal government's approach

Now thinking about the federal government do you approve or disapprove of the way the Federal government is responding to issues resulting from Donald Trump's presidency? [asked of all respondents; n=1,000]





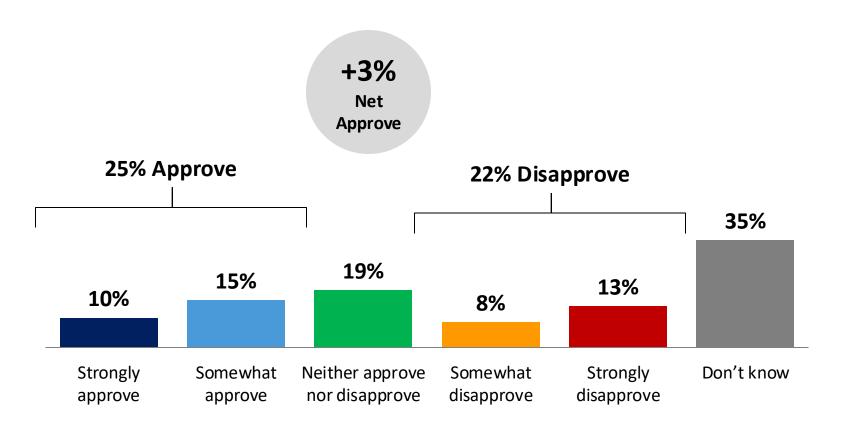


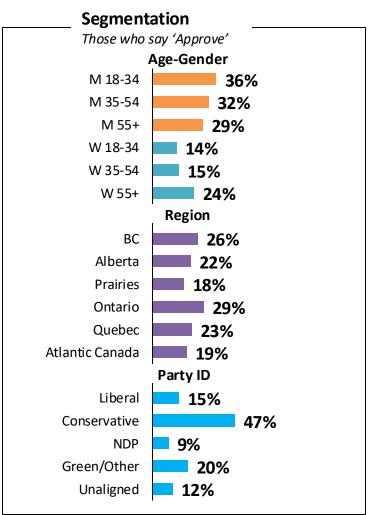
Pierre Poilievre and the Conservatives' Trump Approval:

Overall approval for Poilievre's approach is slightly lower than that of the federal government

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Pierre Poilievre and the Conservative Party is responding to issues resulting from Donald Trump's presidency?

[asked of all respondents; n=1,000]







February to Mid-March: Tariff Showdowns

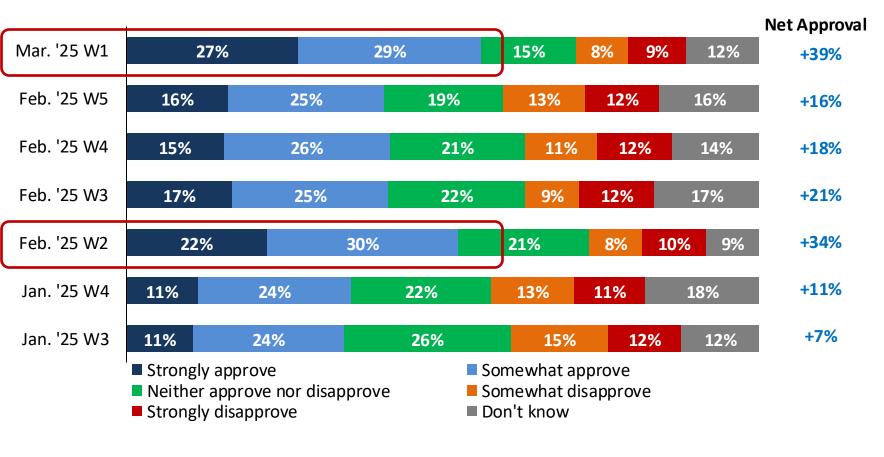
Federal Leadership Approval:

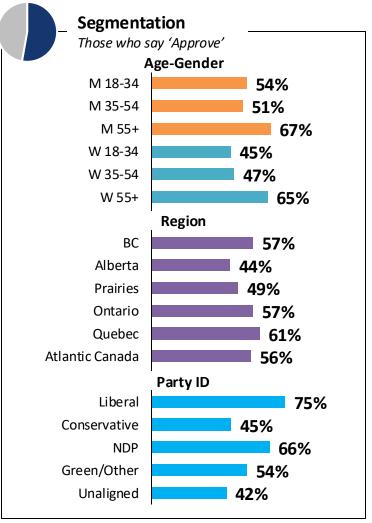
After March 6th's delaying of tariffs, net approval of the Federal government is up 23 points

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[asked of all respondents, Jan. '25 W3 n=1,000; Jan. '25 W4 n=500; Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000]





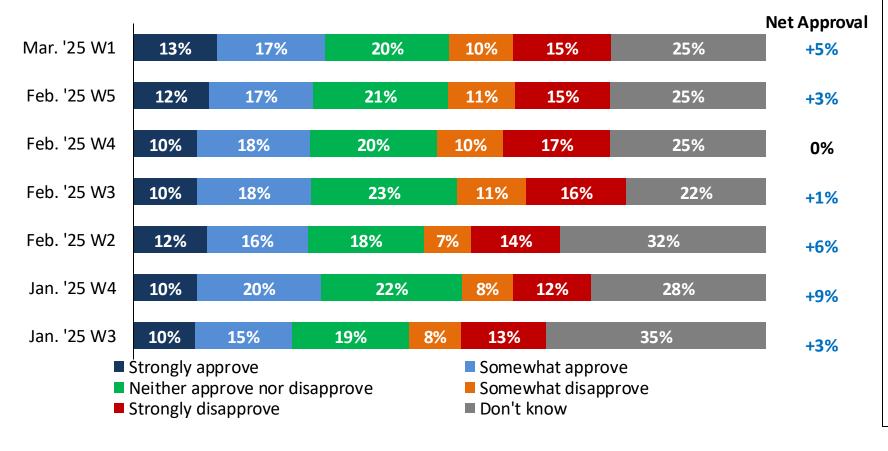
Pierre Poilievre and the Conservatives' Approach:

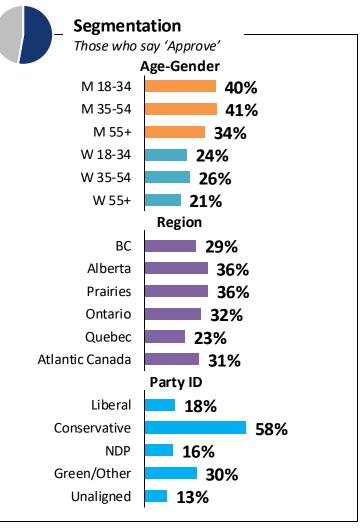
Net approval is marginally steady at 5 points, coming mainly from men under 54 and not crossing party lines.

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Do you approve or disapprove of the way Pierre Poilievre and the Conservative Party is responding to issues resulting from Donald Trump's presidency?

[asked of all respondents, Jan. '25 W3 n=1,000; Jan. '25 W4 n=500; Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000]



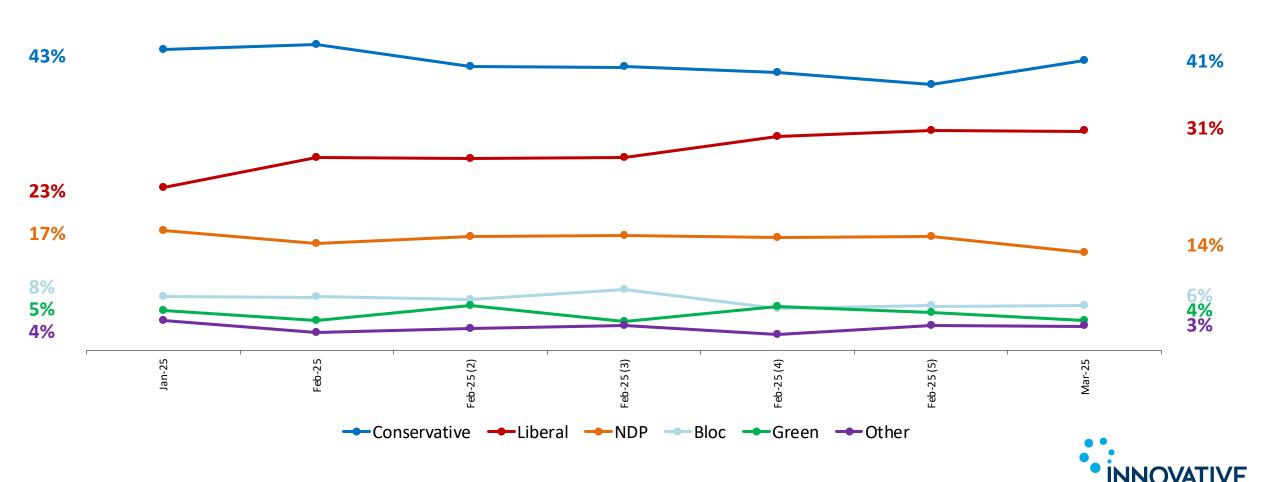


Early March Federal Decided Vote Tracking:

Conservative support bounces up for the first time in recent tracking, Liberals stay stagnant

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If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [DECIDED] [only decided voters; n=906]



Leadership to Election

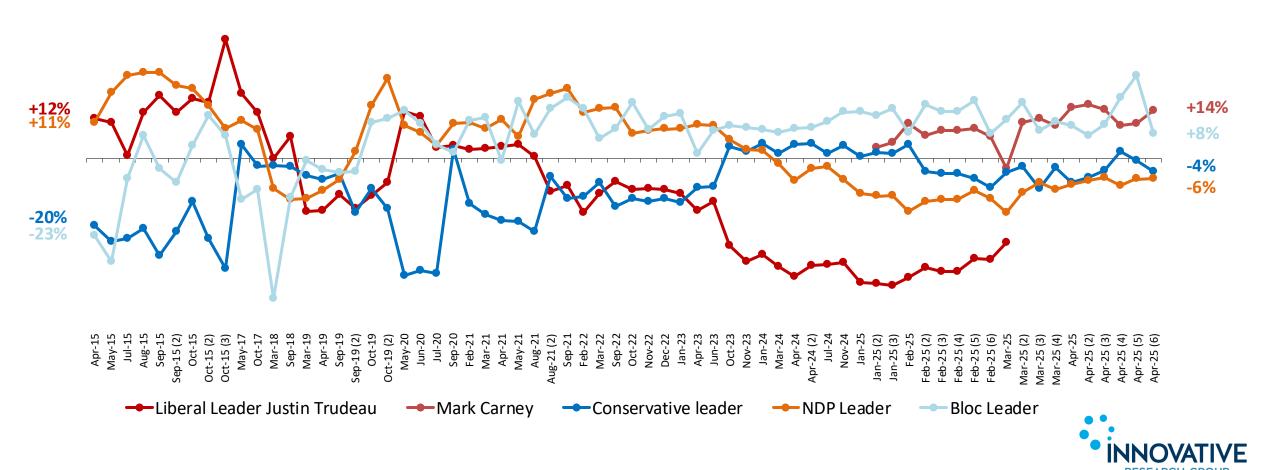
Party Leader NET Favourables Tracking:

Carney and Blanchet remain the only leaders with net positive ratings

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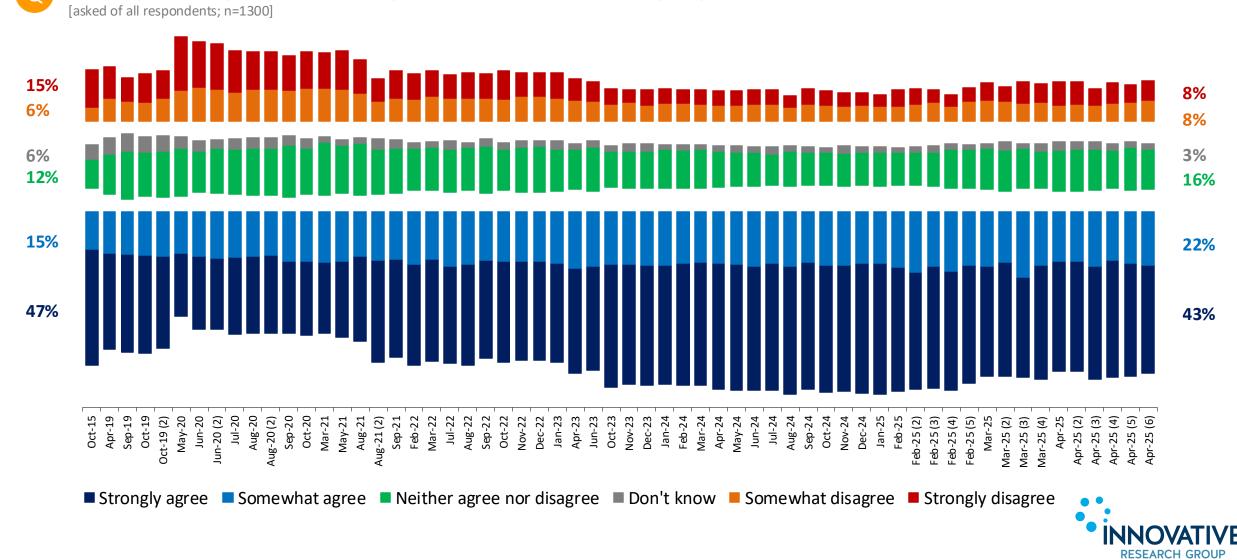
Now we are going to provide you with several names of public figures. Please indicate whether you have heard of that person and, if so, whether you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of that person. If you do not recognize the name, just indicate that.

[asked of all respondents; n=0]



Time for Change: Agreement that it is time for a change remains high

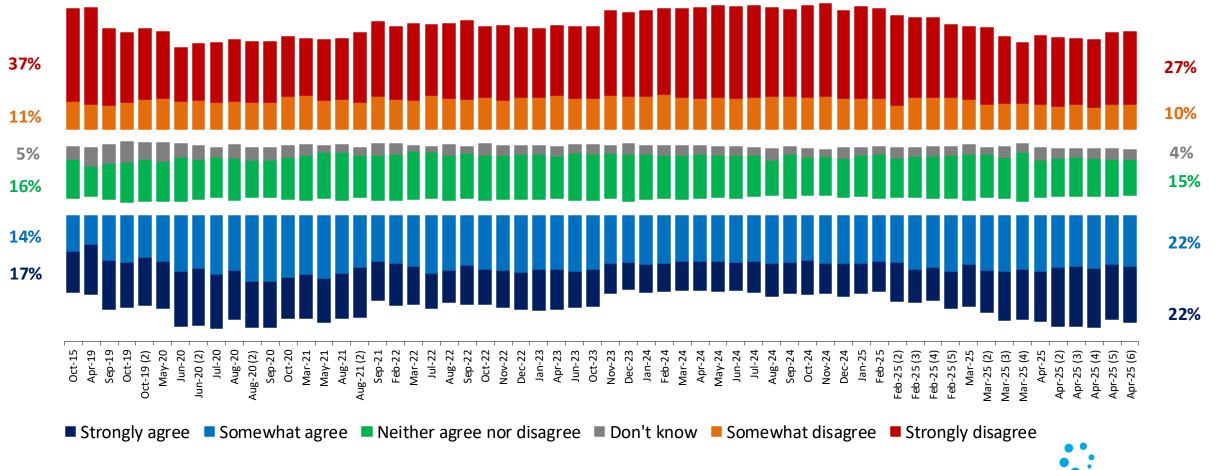
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - It is time for a change in government here in Canada



Best of a Bad Lot: However, Canadians were more willing to say the Liberals are still best to form government



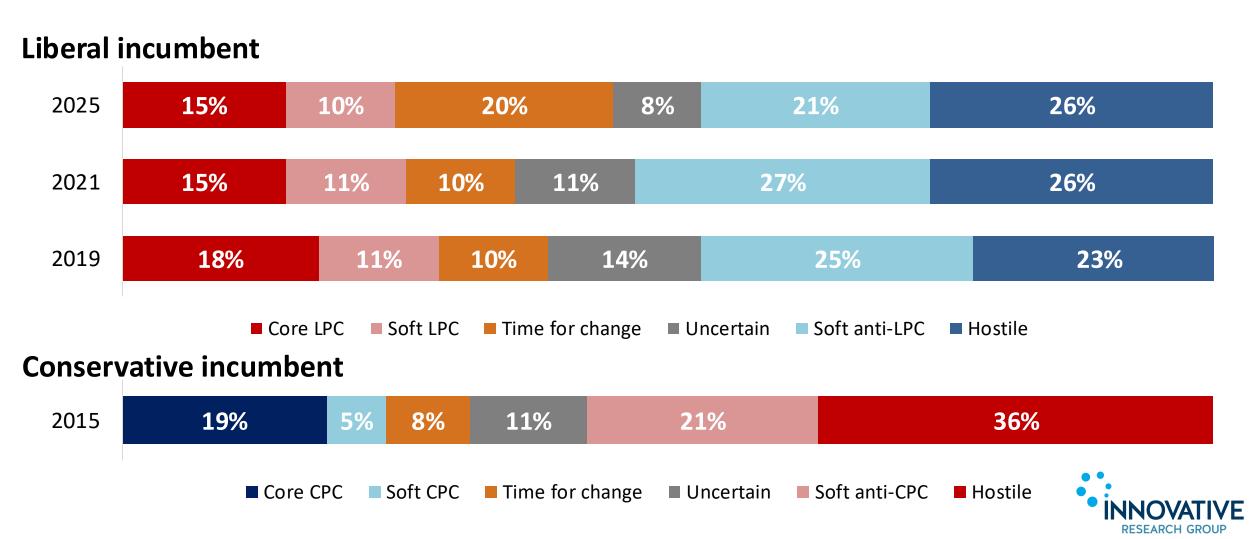
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - The Liberals may have their problems but they are still the best party to form government [asked of all respondents; n=1300]





Time for Change Segmentation: And compared to the last 3 elections, there are twice as many conflicted "Time for change" voters

Time for Change segmentation BY Election



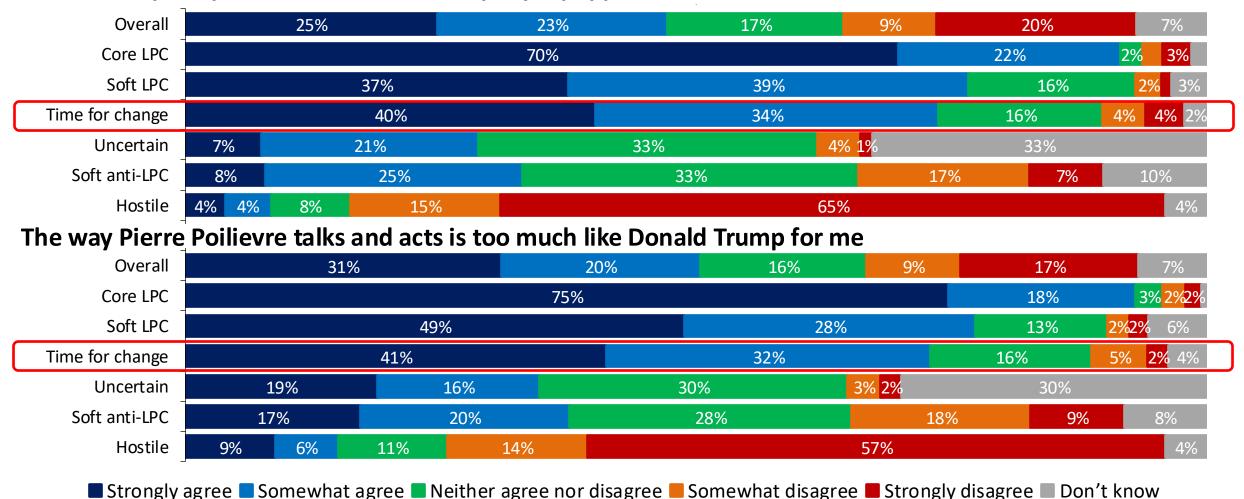
Among this key battleground segment, over 70% agree both that Carney is uniquely equipped and Poiliever is too much like Trump



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[data from April 2025 Election Survey (April 15th-20th, 2025); asked of all respondents; n=2000]

Mark Carney's experience leaves him uniquely equipped to lead Canada at this time



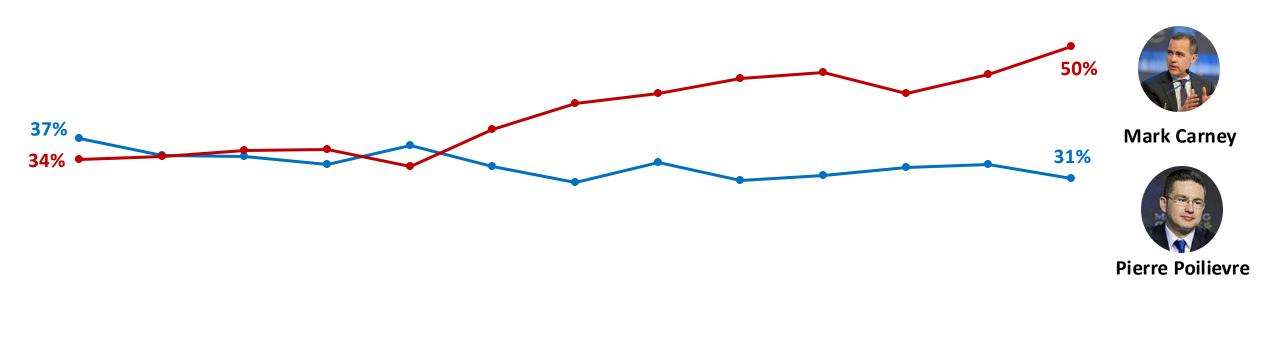
Best Leader for Canada-US Relations Tracking:

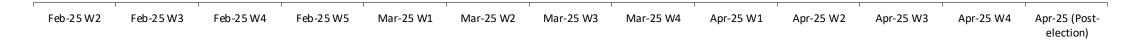
Carney 19-points ahead of Poilievre

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Which of the following leaders do you believe is best equipped to handle Canada-US relations during Trump's renewed presidency?

[asked of all respondents, Feb. '25 W2, W3, W4, W5 each n=1,200; Mar. '25 W1, W2, W3, W4 each n=1,200; Apr. '25 W1, W2 each n=1,200; Apr. '25 W3 n=1,200, W4=2,000, W(post election) n=2,000]





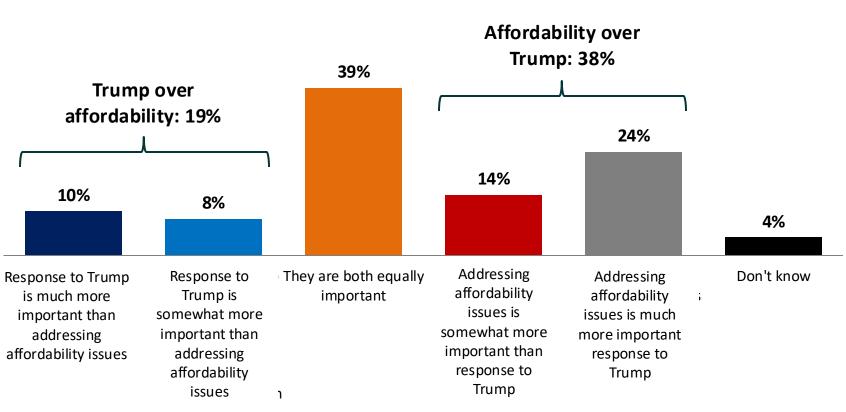
Voter Priorities: U.S. Relations vs. Affordability

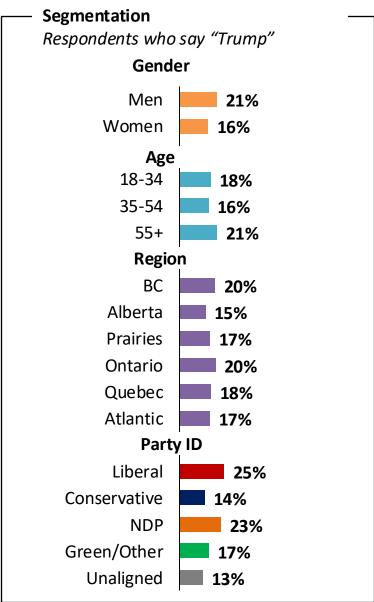
Plurality (39%) see both equal; among the rest, those who prioritize affordability lead by 19 points

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In thinking about this election, when it comes to choosing the best party, what is more important to you? Managing Canada's response to Donald Trump OR Addressing affordability issues in housing and the cost of living.

[asked of all respondents; n=2,000]





Current data: April 2025

Voter Priorities: U.S. Relations vs. Affordability

Majority of those who prioritize a response to Trump vote Liberal

Q

Vote BY In thinking about this election, when it comes to choosing the best party, what is more important to you? Managing Canada's response to Donald Trump OR Addressing affordability issues in housing and the cost of living. [only decided voters; n=1,696]

Column %	Response to Trump is much more important than addressing affordability issues (N=197)	Response to Trump is somewhat more important than addressing affordability issues (N=157)	They are both equally important (N=676)	Addressing affordability issues is somewhat more important than response to Trump (N=238)	Addressing affordability issues is much more important than response to Trump (N=397)
Conservative	23%	25%	33%	54%	59%
Liberal	62%	64%	49%	33%	26%
NDP	6%	5%	8%	6%	6%
Bloc	6%	3%	8%	4%	6%
Green	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%
PPC	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%

A Mandate for Change

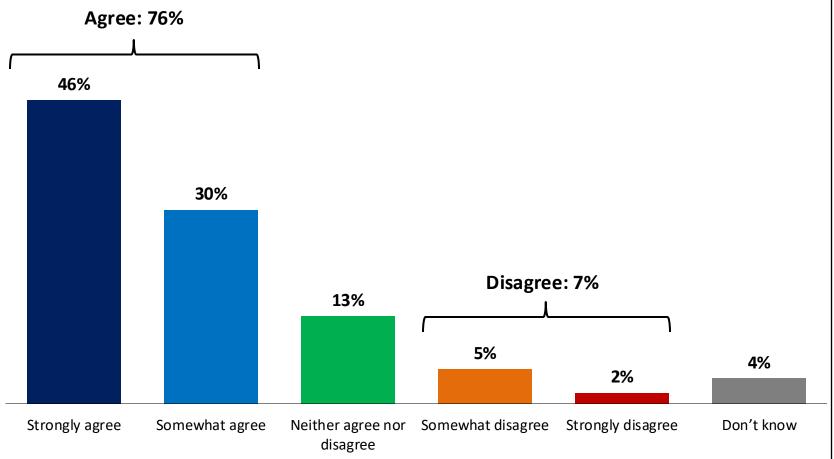


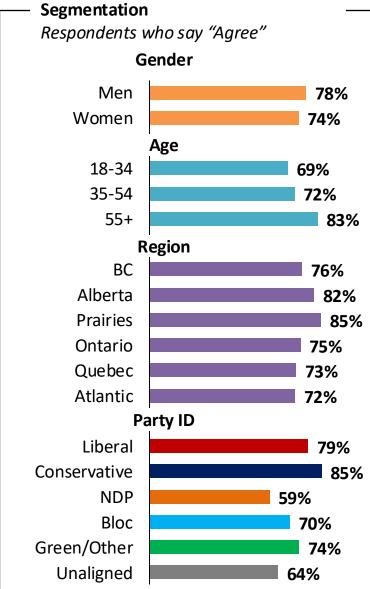
Canadians are looking for change

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Thinking about whether the new Carney government should be similar or different to the previous Trudeau-led government, please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement: Carney needs to enact very different policies from Trudeau for Canada to be successful.

[asked of all respondents; W1 n=1,000]





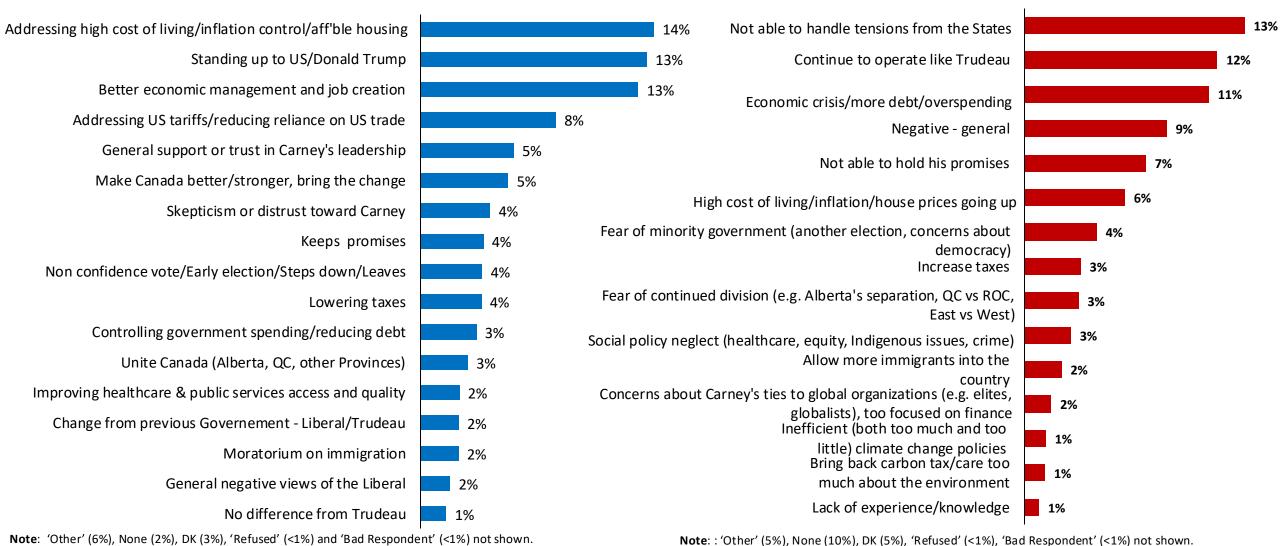
Canadians want a stronger economy that delivers a better, more affordable standard of living



What is your greatest **hope** for Prime Minister Mark Carney and the newly elected Liberal government?[OPEN ENDED] [n=1,000]



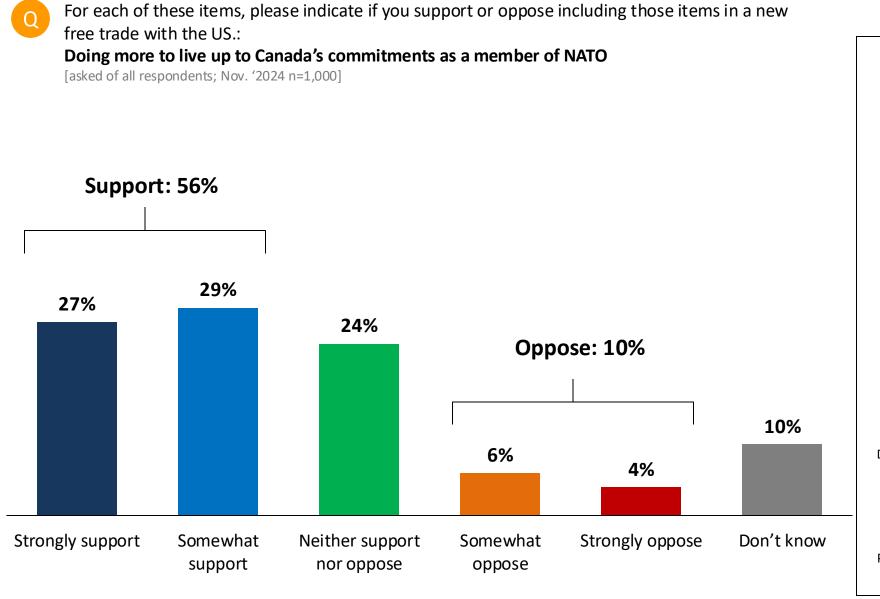
What is your greatest **fear** about Prime Minister Mark Carney and the newly elected Liberal government?[OPEN-ENDED][n=1,000]



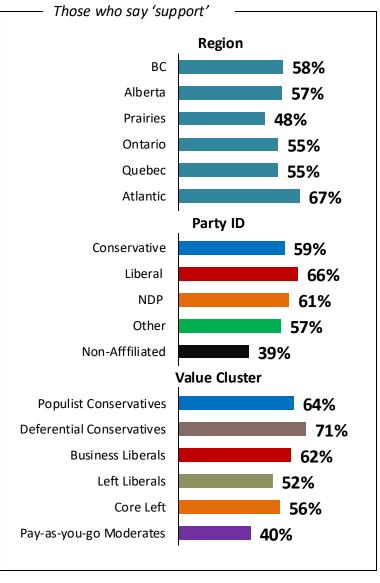
A Different Kind of PM



While most Canadians (56%) support the notion of Canada living up to³² its commitment as a member of NATO



Segmentation

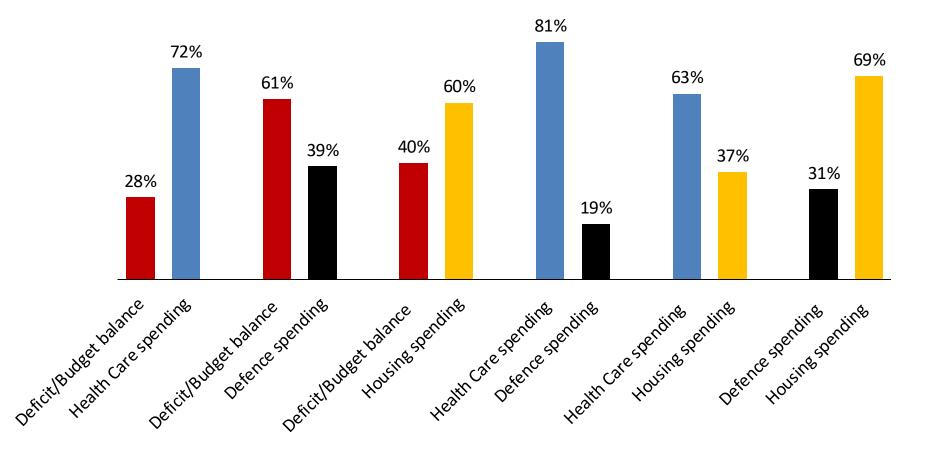


They are not willing to pay for it when faced with other priorities



Thinking about federal government spending, please choose which of the following is more important in each pairing.

[asked of all respondents; n=1,500]



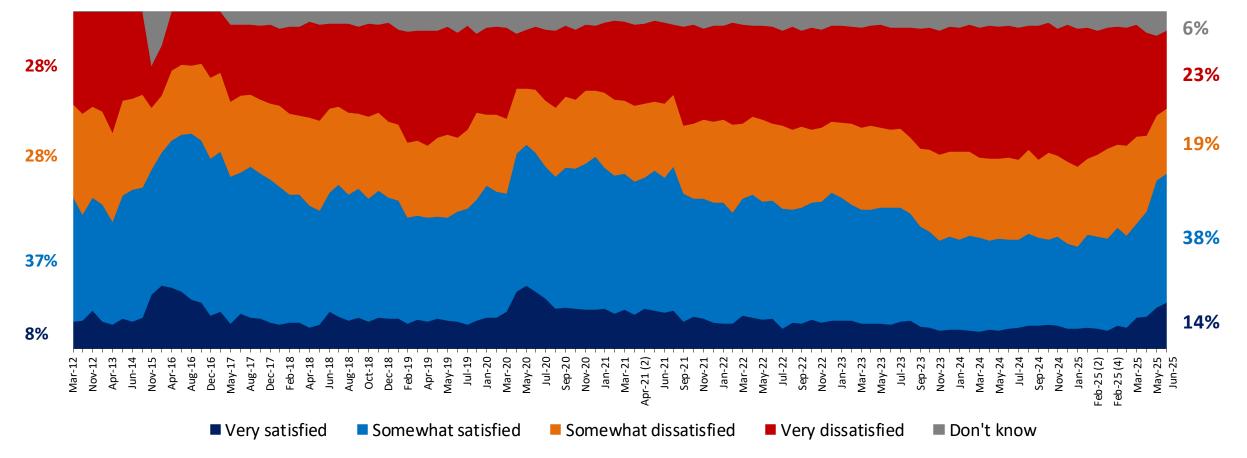
Spending	# of wins out of total	
Heath Care	3/3	
Housing	2/3	
Deficit/Budget Balance	1/3	
Defence	0/3	

Carney Getting Early Good Marks



Satisfaction with the Federal government has been steadily increasing specially since the election

Generally speaking, how satisfied are you with the performance of the FEDERAL government in Canada? Would you say you are...? [asked of all respondents; n=1,500]





Support for Separatism Easing since Election

There has been growing attention lately in some provinces to the idea of some provinces leaving Canada to become their own countries. If there was a referendum in your province, Net agree to would you vote (ROTATE) for [PROVINCE] to leave Canada and become its own country or for [PROVINCE] to remain a province within Canada? [asked of all respondents] stay in Canada Don't Know **Become Independent Stay in Canada** +53 **National** May (W3-W4) 10% 9% 14% 58% 9% +50 May (W1-W2) 11% 10% 57% 9% 14% +51 Post-election April 28 to 29 11% 10% 14% 57% 8% +55 Pre-election April 15 to 21 9% 8% 16% 56% 11% +39 **Alberta** May W3-W4) 9% 12% 14% 11% 54% +32 May (W1-W2) 14% 48% 12% 14% 12% +27 6% Post-election 19% 15% 15% 46% +47 Pre-election 9% 11% 15% 52% 13% **Prairies** +51 May W3-W4) 11% 9% 18% 53% 9% +38 6% May (W1-W2) 21% 7% 49% 17% Post-election 8% 5% +64 12% 65% 10% Pre-election 10% 8% 16% 59% 7% +56 May W3-W4) 9% 12% Quebec 16% 18% 45% +38 May (W1-W2) 18% 13% 15% 48% 7% +31 Post-election 16% 14% 18% 42% 10% +31 Pre-election 10% 17% 19% 45% 10% +38

- Definitely would vote for my province to become an independent country Probably would vote for my province to become an independent country
- Probably would vote for my province to stay in Canada

Definitely would vote for my province to stay in Canada

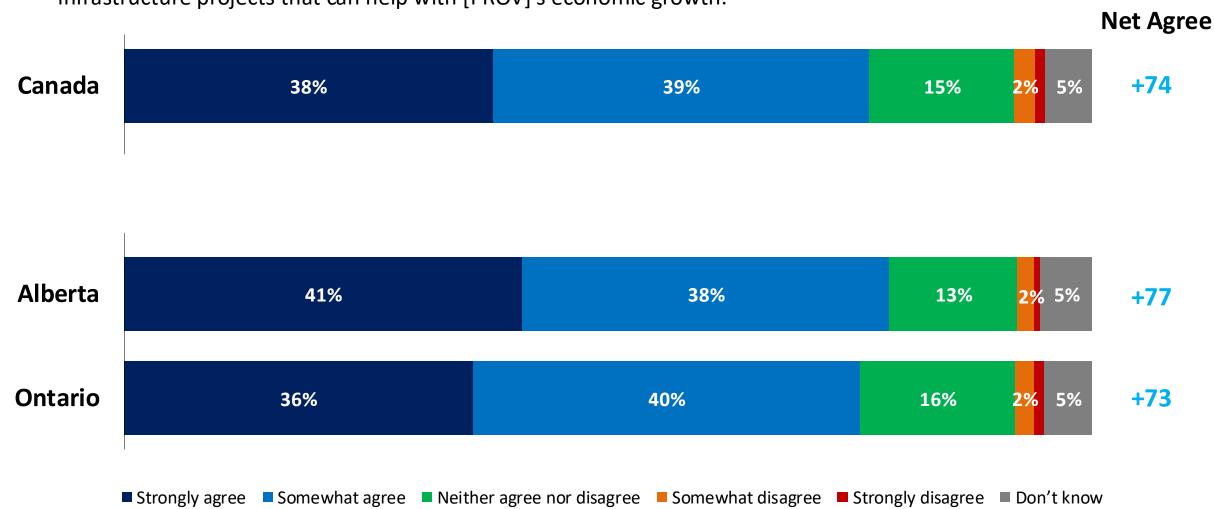
■ Don't know

Build Baby Build



Now is the time for infrastructure

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - Now is a good time to focus on infrastructure projects that can help with [PROV]'s economic growth.



But ... early warning signs

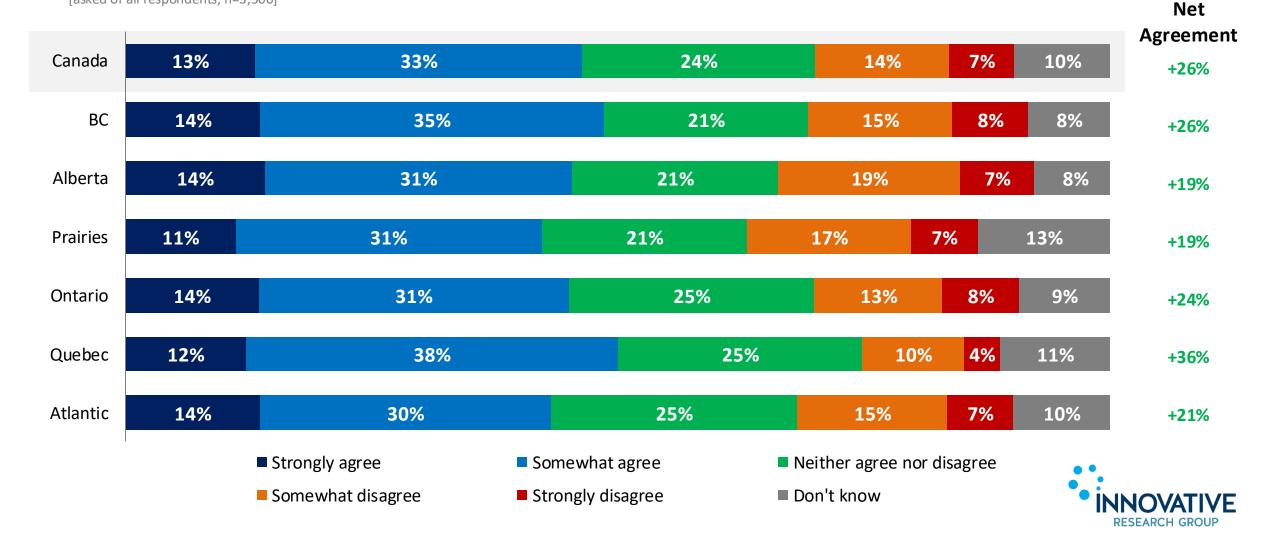


Projects Getting Built by Region: Atlantic slightly below average

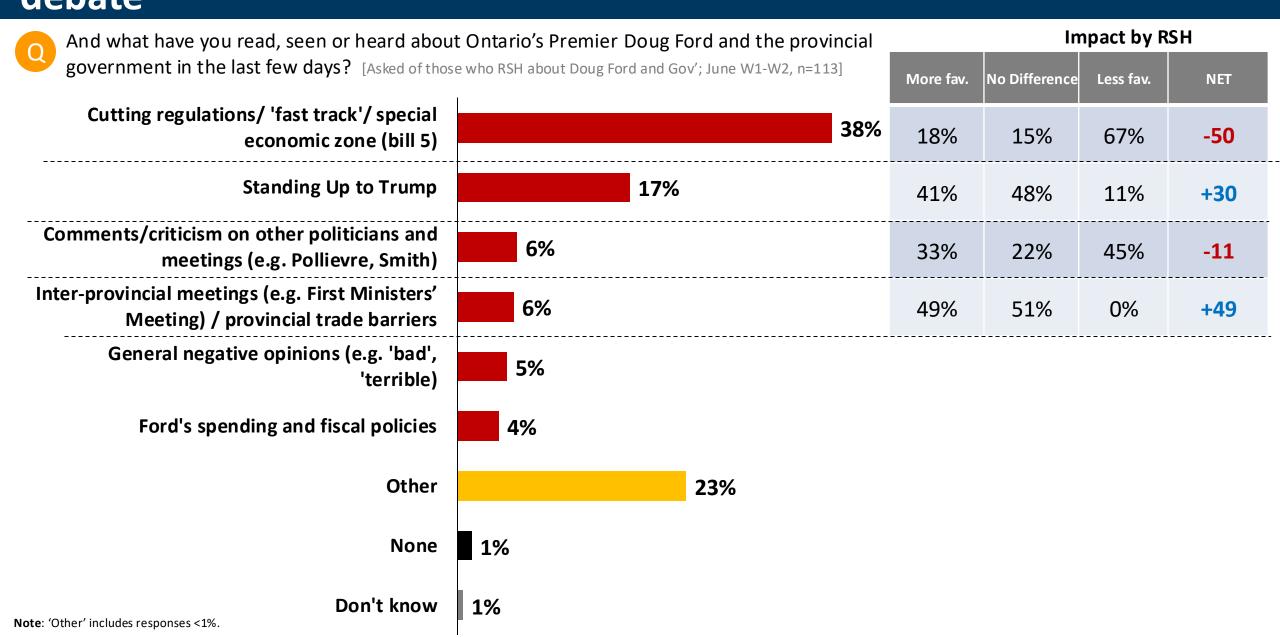
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Thinking of the regulatory organizations that approve the types of projects that we have mentioned in this survey, do you agree with the following statements: **Projects that are important for the economy are getting built BY REGION**

[asked of all respondents; n=3,500]



Mentions of fast track bill drives negative impact in Ontario public debate



Feelings Towards Energy Transition

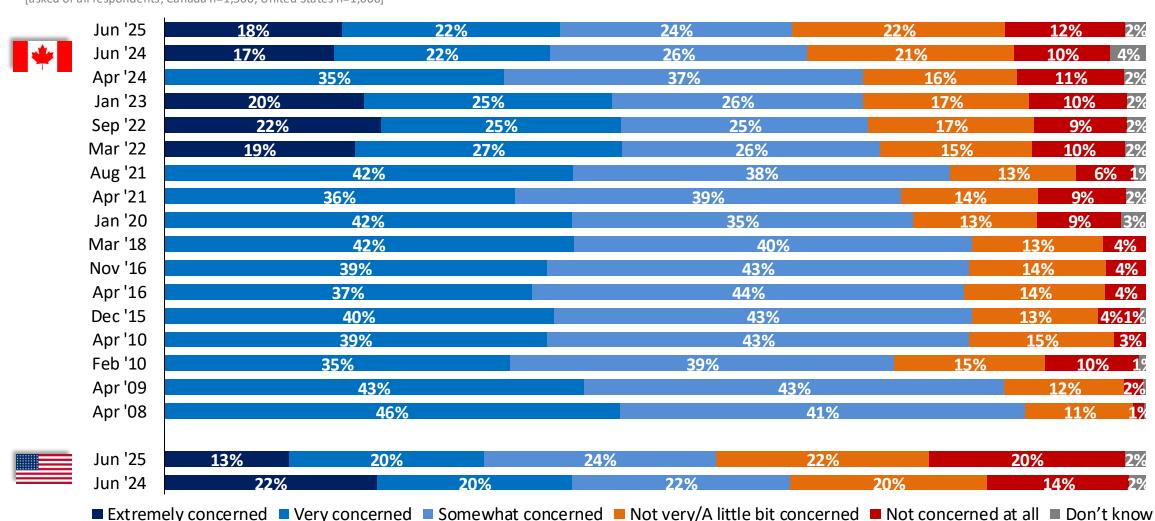


Concern with Climate Change: Share of those at least somewhat concerned drops 7 points for Canadians and drops 8 points for Americans



How concerned are you about climate change?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

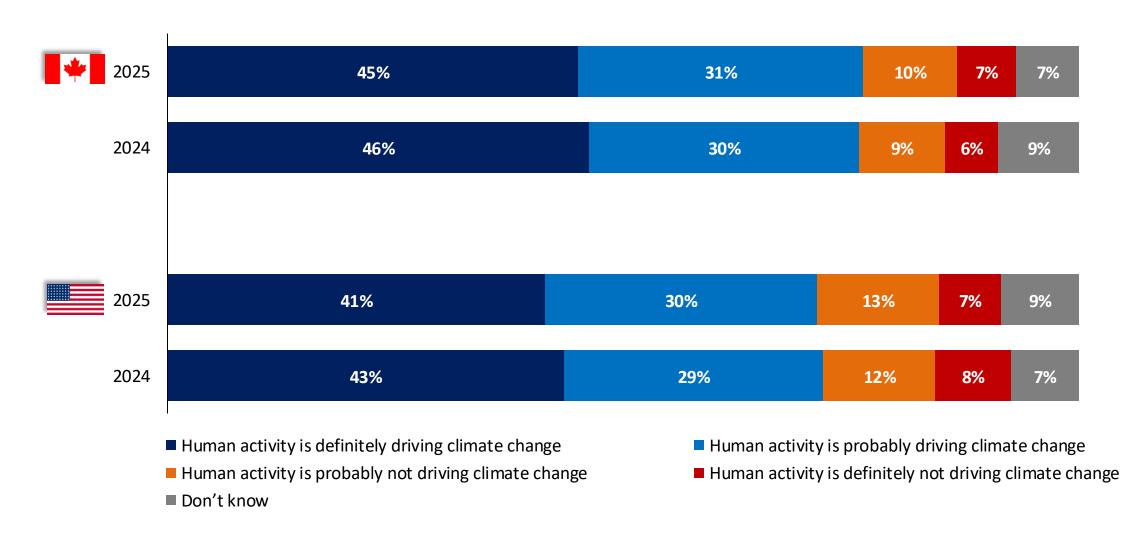


NOTE: For tracking in Canada, prior to 2010, the term "global warming" was used in place of "climate change." Prior to 2024, results only show who believe climate change is occurring. Extremely concerned' was recently added in March 2022.

Climate Change: Share of Canadians and Americans who believe that human activity is the cause of climate change remains stable

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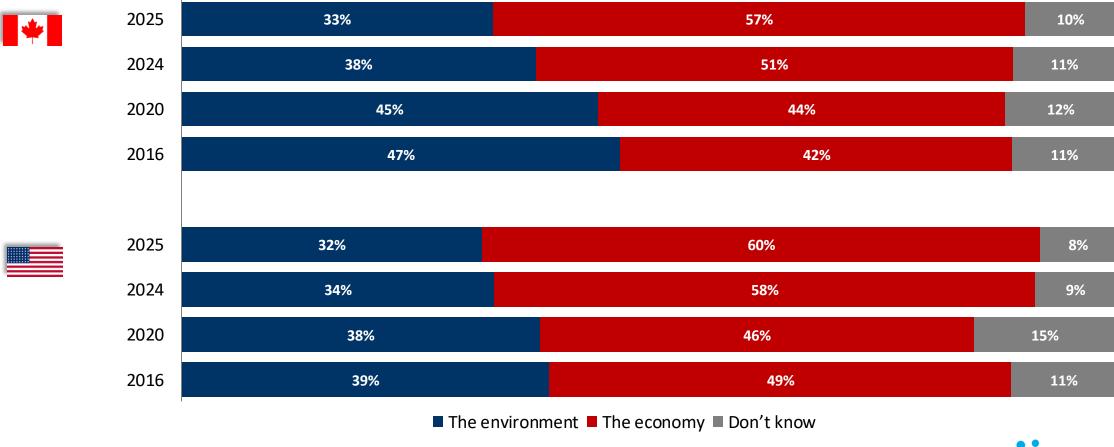
Thinking about your own personal view, do you believe that...



Environment: Share of Canadians prioritizing the economy up 6 points; 45 American trend remains stable since last year



When it comes to trade-offs between the environment and the economy, which is more important to you?

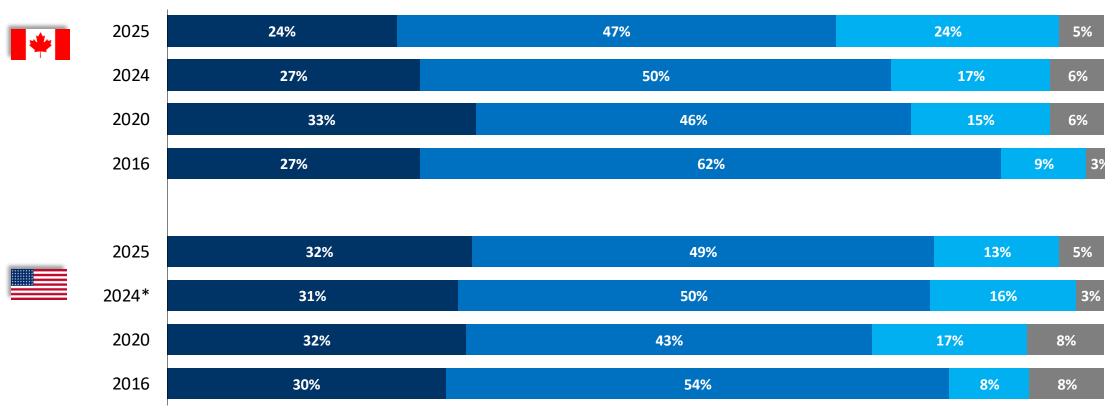




Environment: More Canadians say "we are doing enough for the environment" while share of Americans saying so decreased in 2025



Which of the following statements best describes your personal point of view?



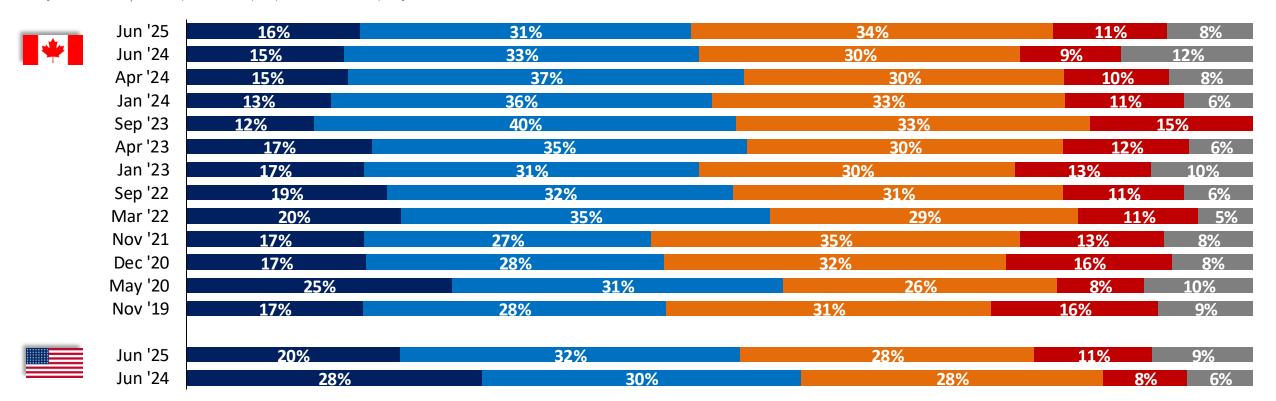
- We need to take immediate and dramatic action now to stop damaging the environment before it is too late.
- We need to pay more attention to the environment, but we should be careful not to rush into policies that may cause more harm than good
- I think we are already doing enough for the environment.
- Don't know

Energy Transition Familiarity: Familiarity with energy transition is stable for Canadians while familiarity drops 6 points for Americans

One issue people have been talking about lately is the idea that [COUNTRY] and the world may be transitioning from its current energy system that depends highly on carbon-based fossil fuels like coal, oil and gas to a lower-carbon energy system.

How familiar are you with the idea of transitioning from its current energy system that depends highly on carbon-based fuels to a lower-carbon energy system?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]



- I understand the details and can explain them to others
- I have heard of the idea of an energy transition but I don't know the details
- Don't know

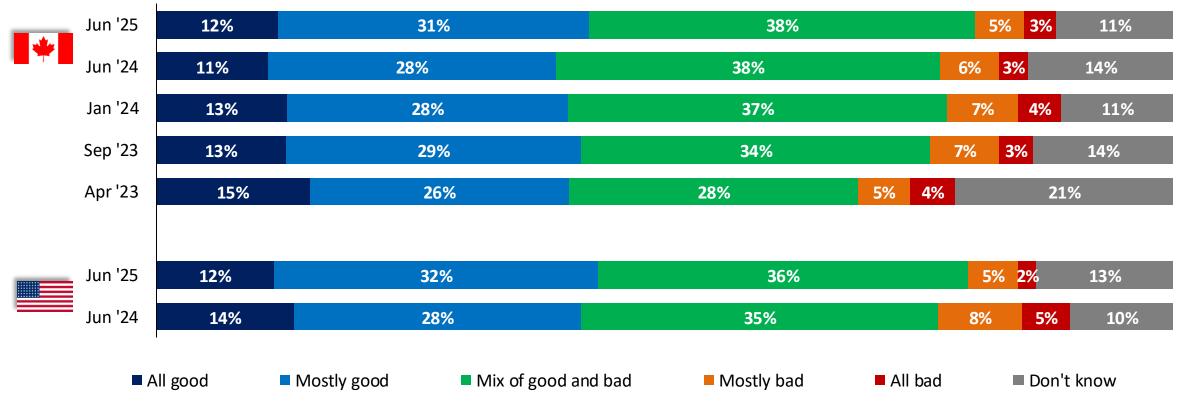
- I am familiar with the idea of an energy transition but cannot explain it to others
- I have not heard about the idea of an energy transition before this survey

NOTE: "Don't know" was not included as an option when asked in September 2023. In addition, wording for two response options are slightly different from November 2019 to April 2023 i.e. "Very familiar and can explain it to others in detail" was "I understand the details and can explain them to others" while "Somewhat familiar with the idea but cannot explain it others" was "I am familiar with the idea of an energy transition but cannot explain it to others".

Energy Transition Impression: 43% of Canadians and Americans say ET sounds like a good thing, 4-point jump for Canadians compared to 2024

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From what you know or based on your first impression, does energy transition sound like a good thing or a bad thing?





Exploring Energy Transition Attitudes

However, for most people, the issue of an energy transition away from fossil fuels is complex. Some Canadians and Americans a gree with positions from both sides of the debate. In this survey, we asked respondents to agree or disagree with three oil-friendly statements, two transition-friendly statements and two neutral statements.

Pro-Oil Statements	Pro-Transition Statements
It is critical to [COUNTRY] 's ongoing prosperity that we responsibly develop and export our oil and gas resources.	Fossil fuels should be phased out as quickly as possible to speed up the shift to a lower-carbon future even if it means job losses or paying more for energy.
[COUNTRY] is one of the most responsible countries in the world when it comes to how we develop and export our oil and gas resources.	The world is facing a climate emergency and it is irresponsible of <i>[COUNTRY]</i> to add to the problem by developing new oil and gas projects.
It makes no sense to leave [COUNTRY]'s oil and gas in the ground because if [COUNTRY] doesn't meet the global demand, another country will.	
Neutral Statements	
It is important to me that [COUNTRY] is self-sufficient in energy.	I don't care where we get energy from so long as it is at the lowest price.



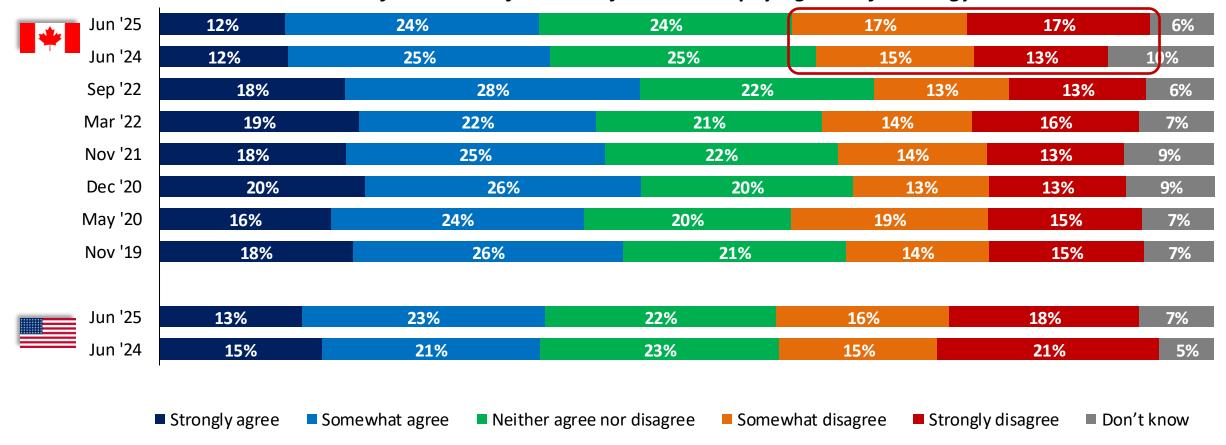
Pro-Energy Transition: 37% of US and 36% of CA agree on phasing out fossil fuels; 34% disagree, with Canadian disagreement up 6 points



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

Fossil fuels should be phased out as quickly as possible to speed up the shift to a lower-carbon future even if it means job losses or paying more for energy.



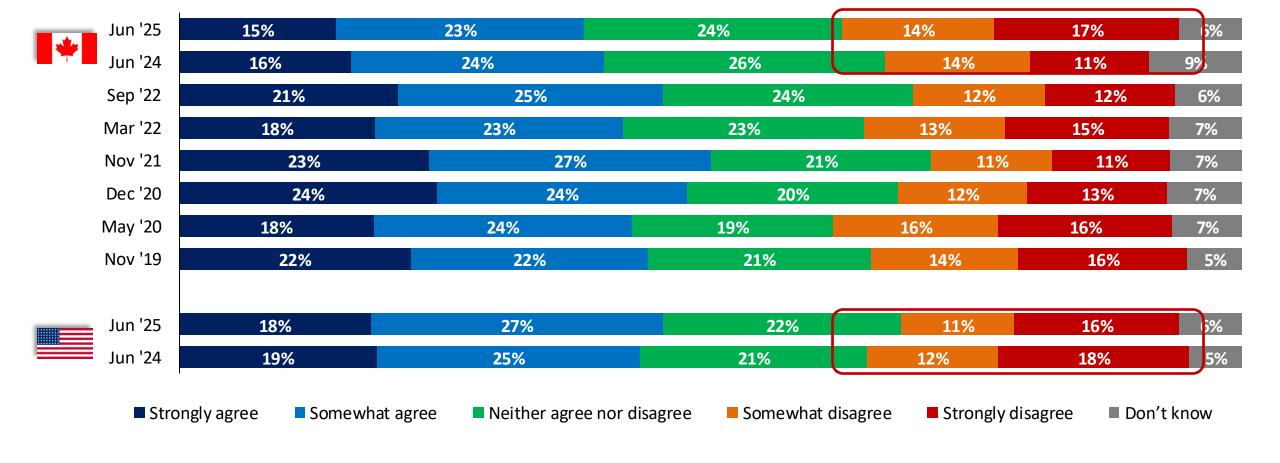
Pro-Energy Transition: Agree/disagree gap in Canada increases toward disagreement, while US gap narrows toward agreement

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Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=,1000]

The world is facing a climate emergency and it is irresponsible of [COUNTRY] to add to the problem by developing new oil and gas projects.



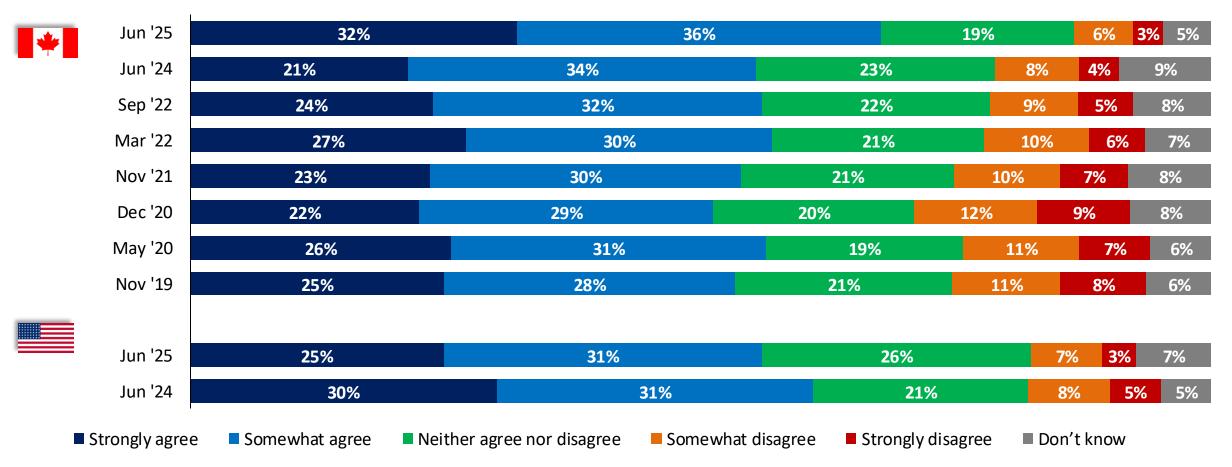
Pro-Oil: 68% of Canadians agree with responsibly developing oil and gas, 13-pt jump since 2024; strong agreement down 5 pts for Americans



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

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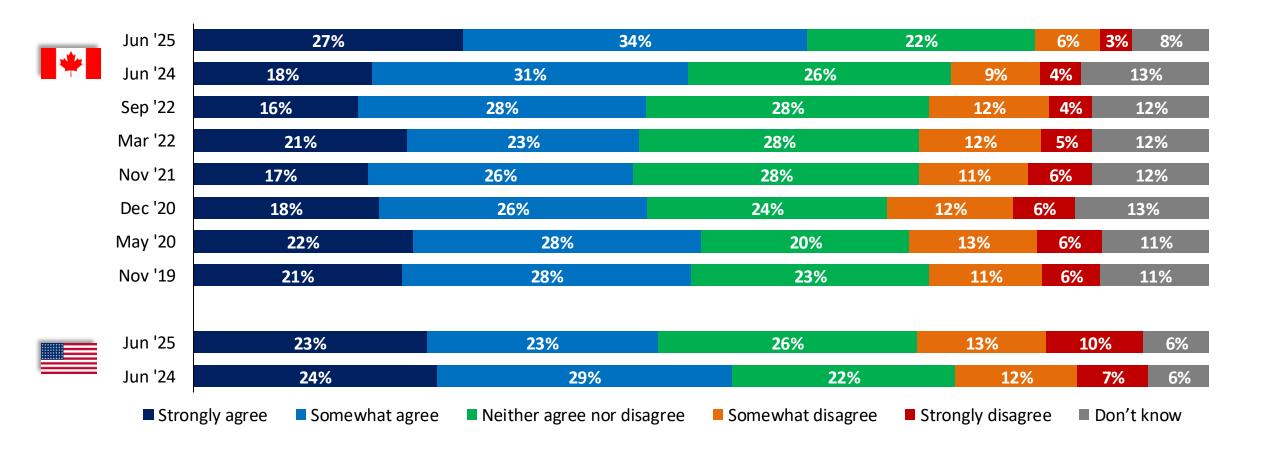
Pro-Oil: Canada sees an 11-pt jump while America sees a 7-pt decline since 2024



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

[COUNTRY] is one of the most responsible countries in the world when it comes to how we develop and export our oil and gas resources



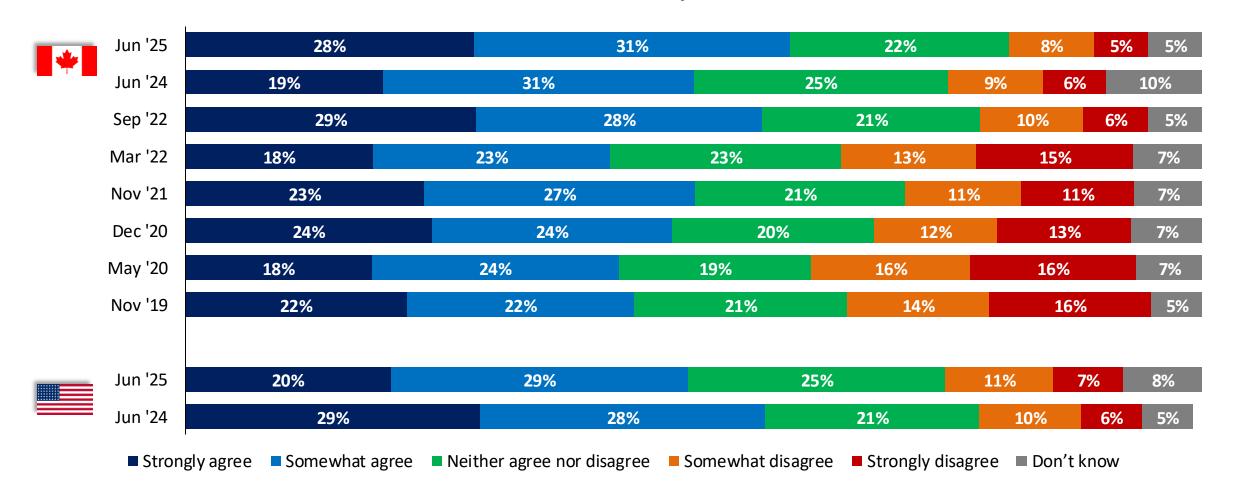
Pro-Oil: Agreement on 'it makes no sense to leave oil and gas in the ground' jumps 9 pts for Canada while decreasing 8 pts for Americans



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

It makes no sense to leave [COUNTRY]'s oil and gas in the ground because if [COUNTRY] doesn't meet the global demand, another country will

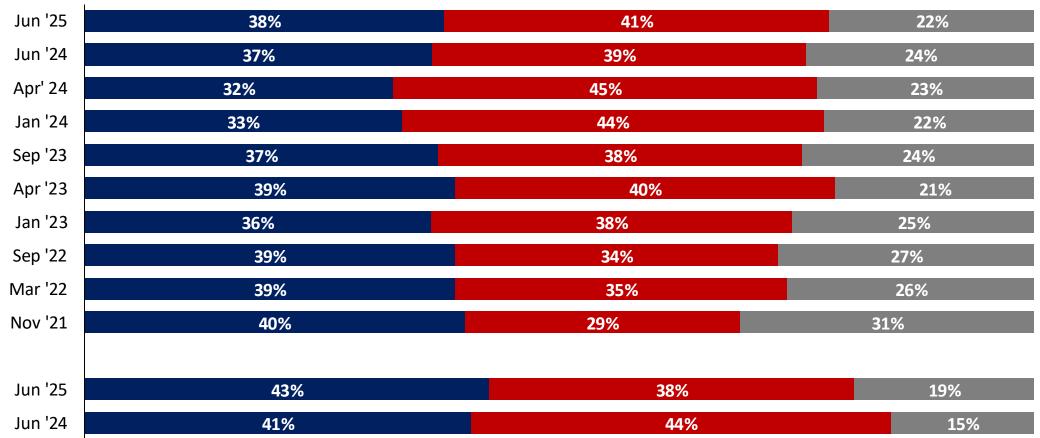


Energy Transition: Share of Americans with negative views on energy transition fell by 6 points since 2024



Based on what you know about an energy transition, which of the following statements is closest to your point of view? [asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]







- Government policies to accelerate the transition away from oil and gas show that Canada/United States is a leader on climate change and help make the world better for future generations.
- Government policies to accelerate the transition away from oil and gas risk increasing the cost of living and losing jobs in Canada/United States, and aren't likely to have a significant impact on climate change.
- Don't know

Energy Trade



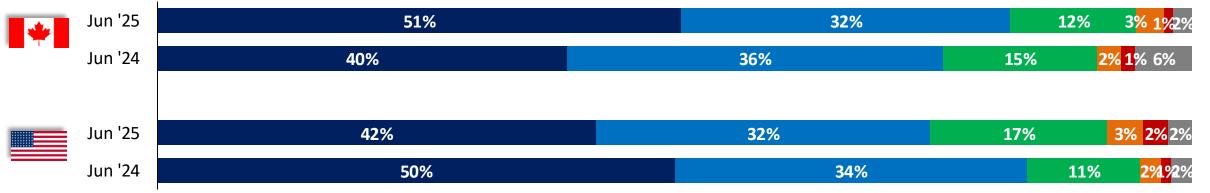
Neutral Statements: Strong support for Canada to be self-sufficient in energy is up 11 points while dropping 8 points for America since 2024



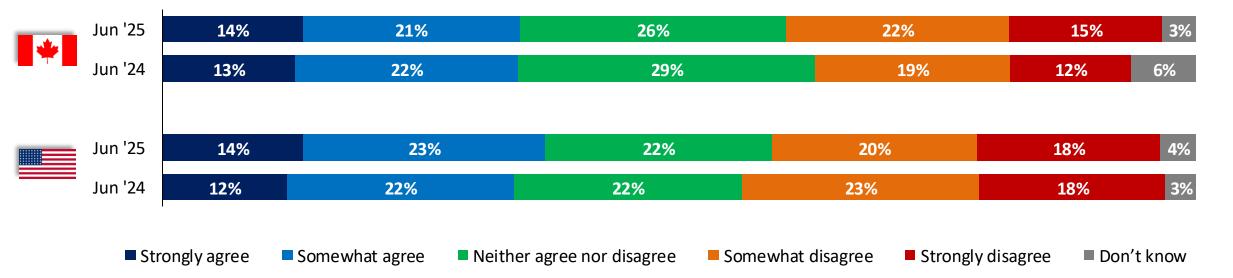
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[asked of all respondents; Canada n=1,500; United States n=1,000]

It is important to me that [COUNTRY] is self-sufficient in energy



I don't care where we get energy from so long as it is at the lowest price

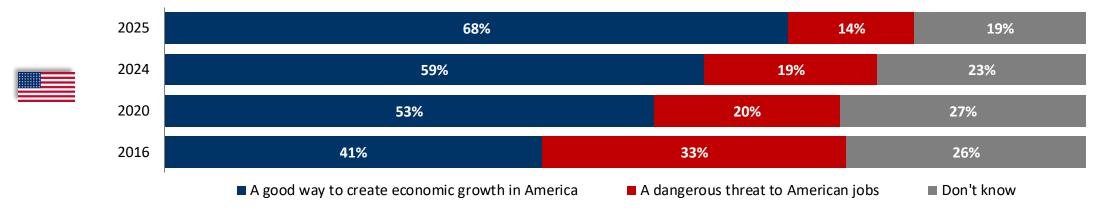


Free Trade: About 2-in-3 (68%) Americans believe FTAs are good for economic growth; 66% think free trade with Canada has been good

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Which statement is closer to your point of view? Free trade agreements are...

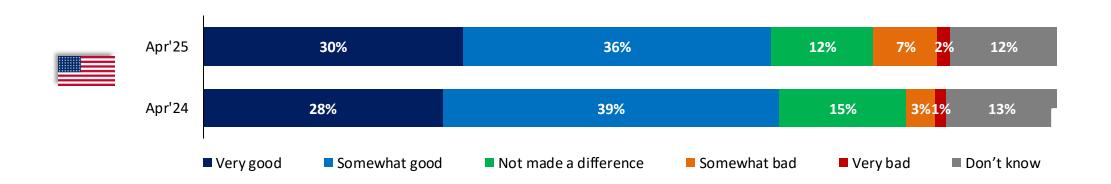
[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]



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The United States currently has a free trade agreement with Canada. **Do you think free trade with Canada has generally been a good thing for America or a bad thing for America?**

[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]

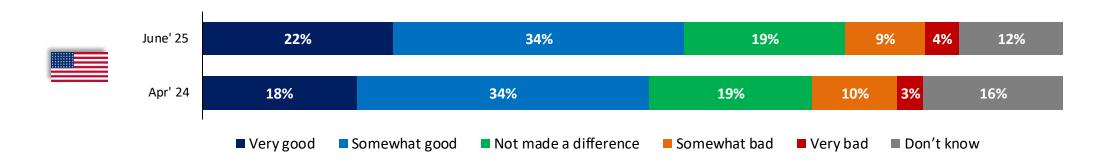


Free Trade: Over half of Americans think importing electricity and oil from Canada is a good thing for the US; 4-point increase from Apr'24



The United States currently imports electricity from Canada. **Do you think importing electricity from Canada has generally been a good thing for America or a bad thing for America?**

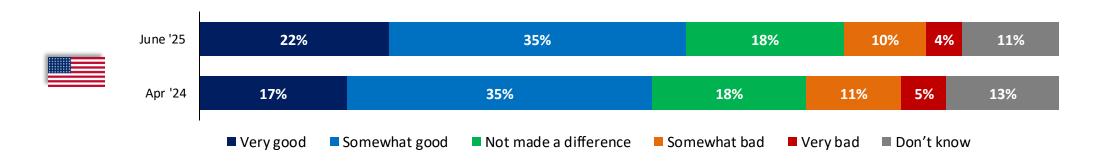
[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]



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The United States currently imports oil from Canada. **Do you think importing oil from Canada has generally been a good thing for America or a bad thing for America?**

[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]

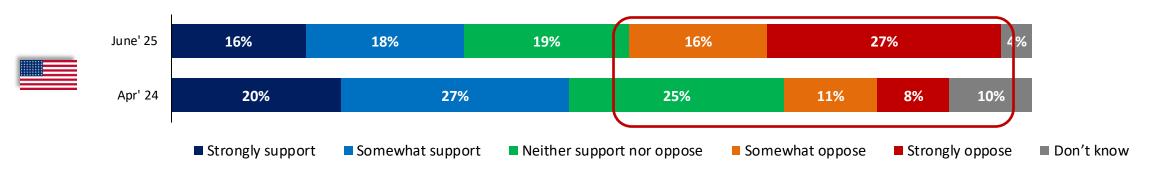


Free Trade: Strong opposition to a 10% tariff increase on foreign and Canadian imports has nearly or fully tripled since April 2024



Below is a list of policies the federal government could adopt. For each policy, please indicate if you support or oppose that. [asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]

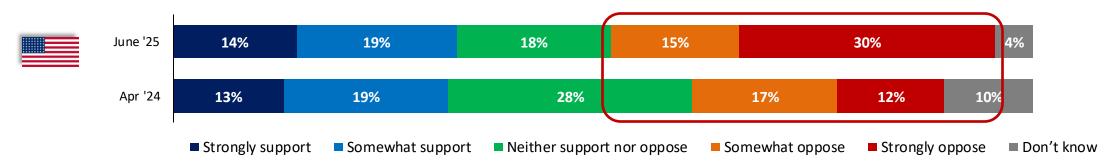
Raise tariffs on all foreign imports by 10% across the board



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Raise tariffs on imports from Canada by 10% across the board



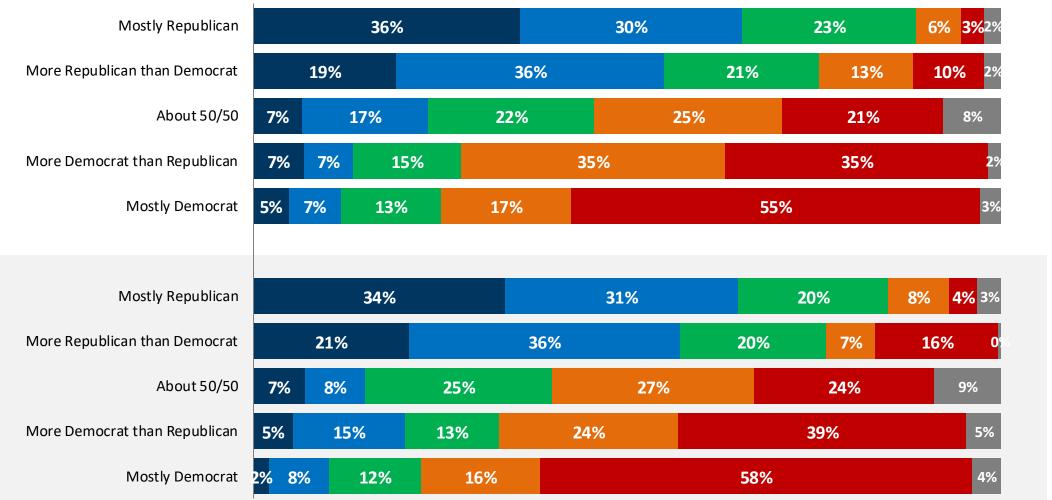
Trade Policies BY Voting Habits: More Republican voters support than oppose a 10% tariff on imports from Canada; most Democrats oppose



Below is a list of policies the federal government could adopt. For each policy, please indicate if you support or oppose that.

[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]





■ Strongly Support ■ Somewhat Support ■ Neither support nor oppose ■ Somewhat oppose ■ Strongly oppose

Raise tariffs on imports from Canada by 10% across the board

US Tariff Reactions



Federal Read, Seen, Heard: 73% of Americans have closely follow the news about tariff policies; 37% have a very negative reaction to them



How closely are you following the news about President Trump's tariff policies?

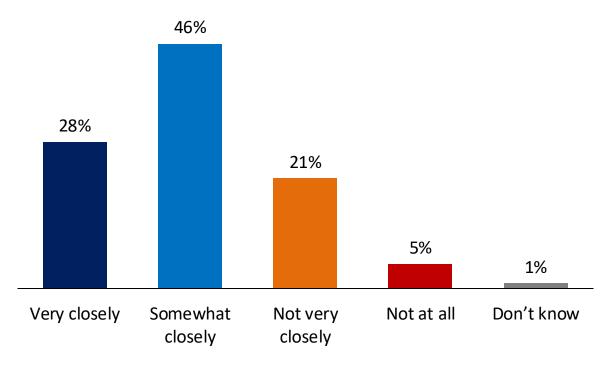


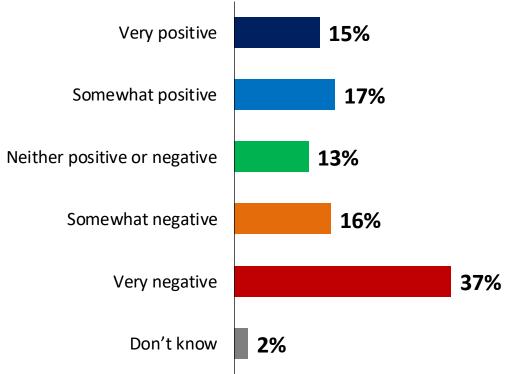
[Asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]



From what you have read, seen or heard, do you have a positive or negative reaction to President Trump's tariff policies?

[Asked of those who have RSH; United States n=1,000]







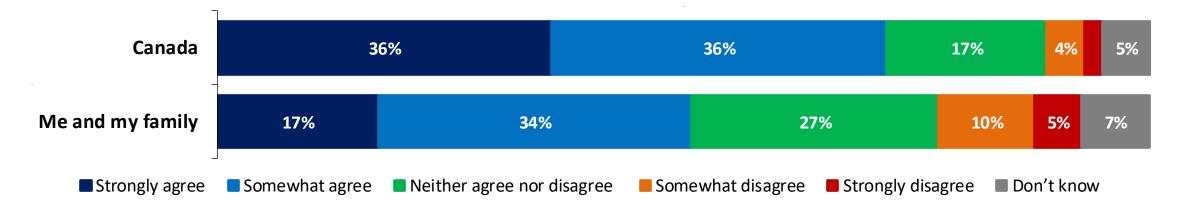
Impact of Tariffs: 72% of Canadians and only 27% of Americans think Trump's trade policies will have a serious impact on their countries

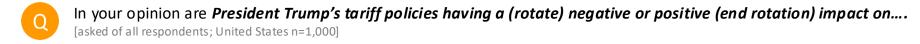
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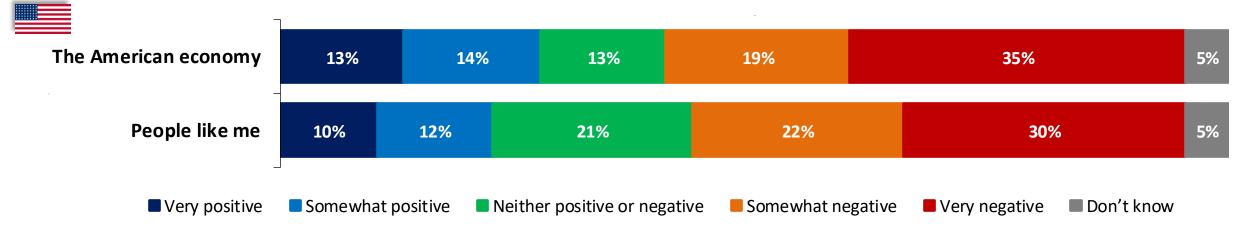
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? *The Trump Administration's trade policies will have a serious impact on...*

[asked of all respondents; Canada May '25 W1+W2 n=1,500]









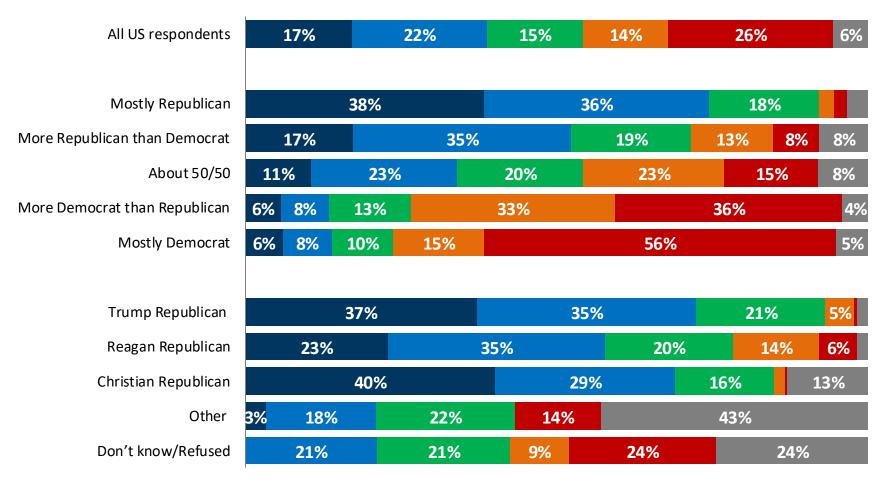
Tariffs BY Voting Habits: 3-in-4 Republicans think tariffs will be good for ⁶⁵ America in the long run; highest among Trump Republicans



Would you agree or disagree with the statement that "Tariffs will hurt in the short run but are good for America in the long run"?

[asked of all respondents; United States n=1,000]

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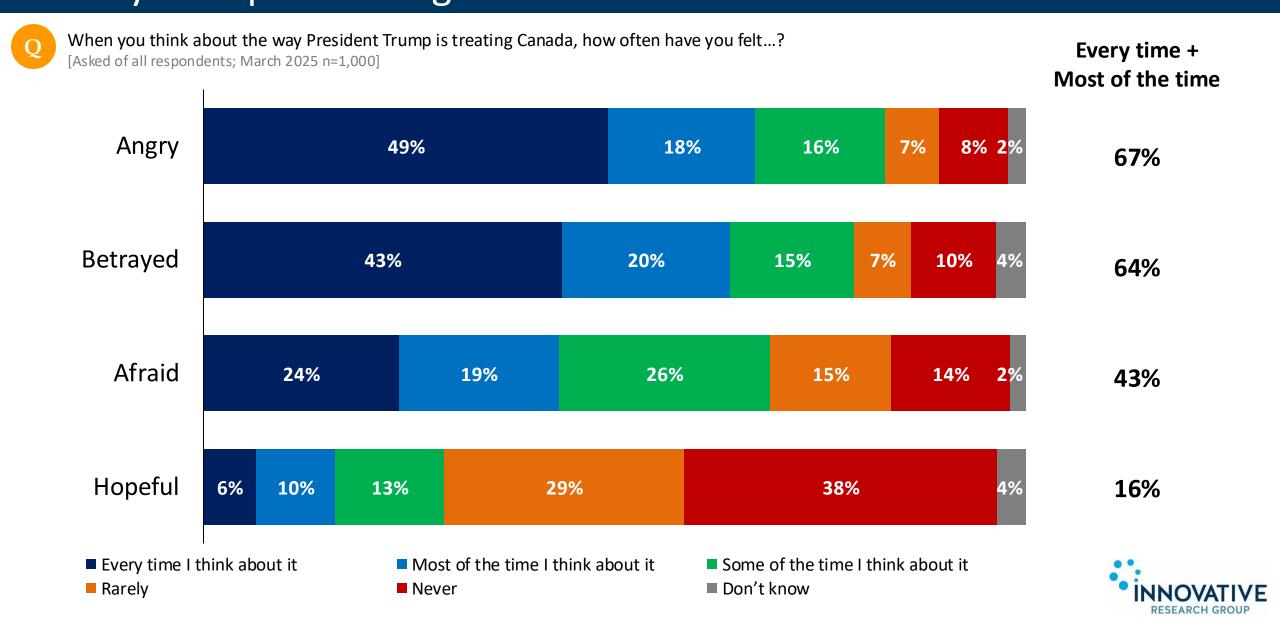


■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Neither agree or disagree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Strongly disagree ■ Don't know

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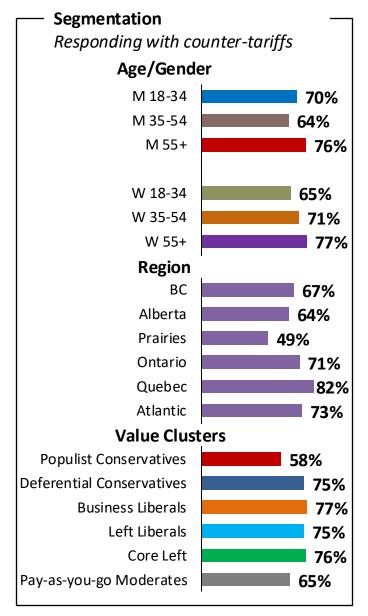


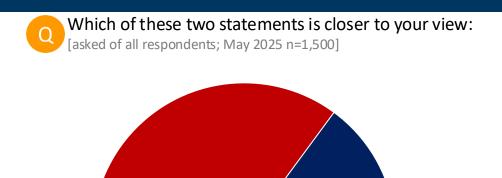
Trump Emotions: Majority of Canadians feel angry and betrayed about 67 the way Trump is treating Canada.

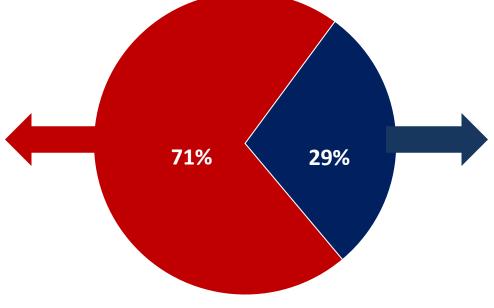


Tariff Action

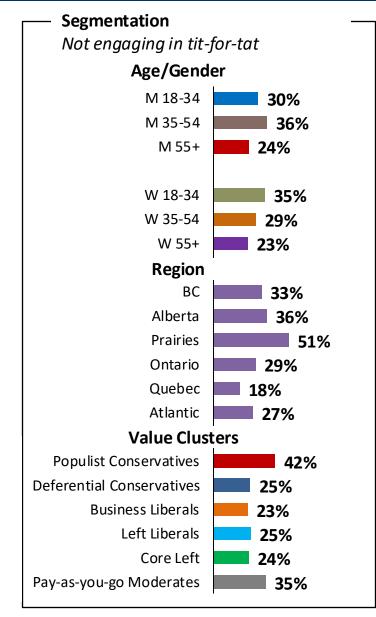
Nearly 3-in-4 (71%) agree it's important to respond with actions such as counter-tariffs to Trump's attacks





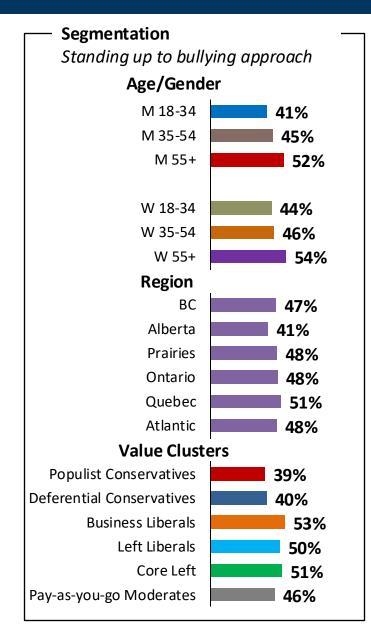


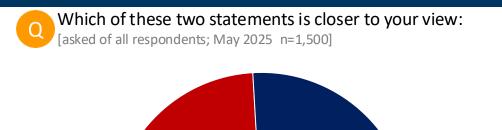
- It is important to respond with counter-tariffs or other action when the Trump administration attacks Canada with tariffs
- There is no reason to engage in tit-for-tat retaliation with the Trump administration on trade, since it just means Canadians pay more

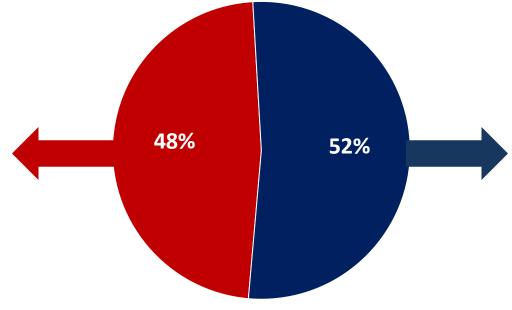


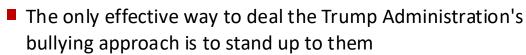
Dealing with Trump

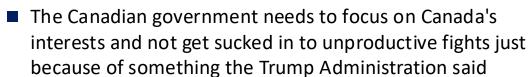
52% believe Canada should focus on its own interests rather than engage in disputes with the U.S

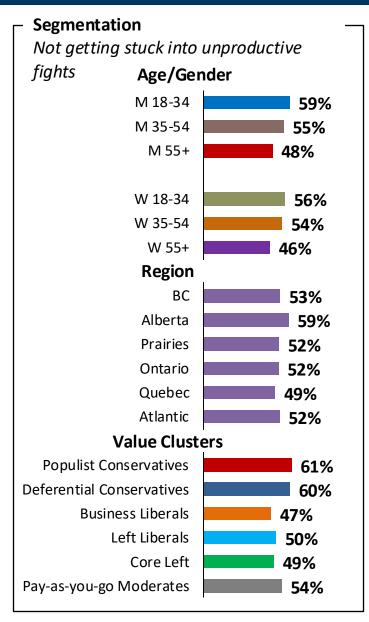










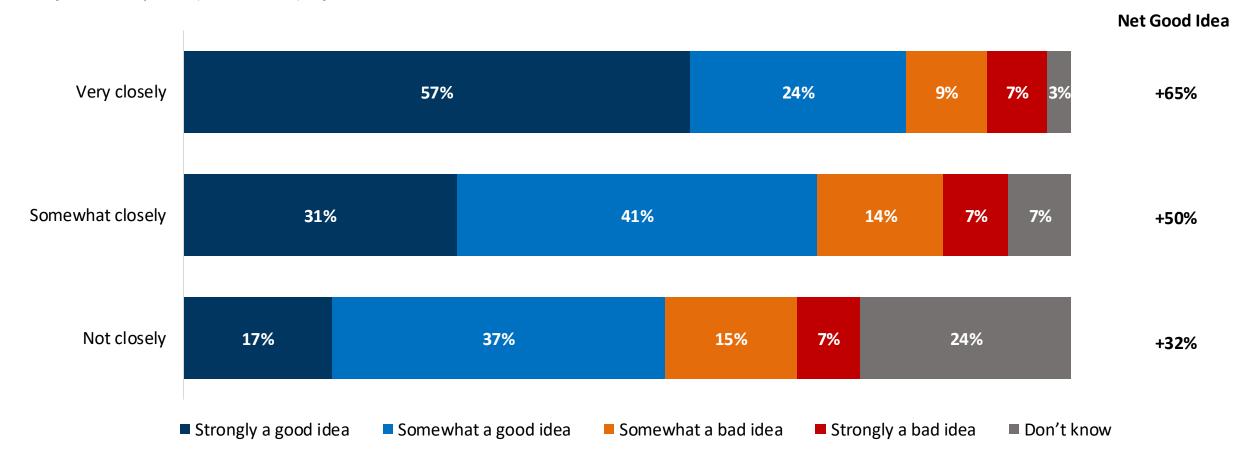


Attitude Towards The Surcharge by Engagement with News:

81% of Canadians who follow the news very closely think it's a good idea

Do you think Doug Ford's initial plan to impose a 25% surcharge on electricity exports to the US is (ROTATE GOOD OR BAD) a good idea or a bad idea? **BY** How closely have you been following these developments?

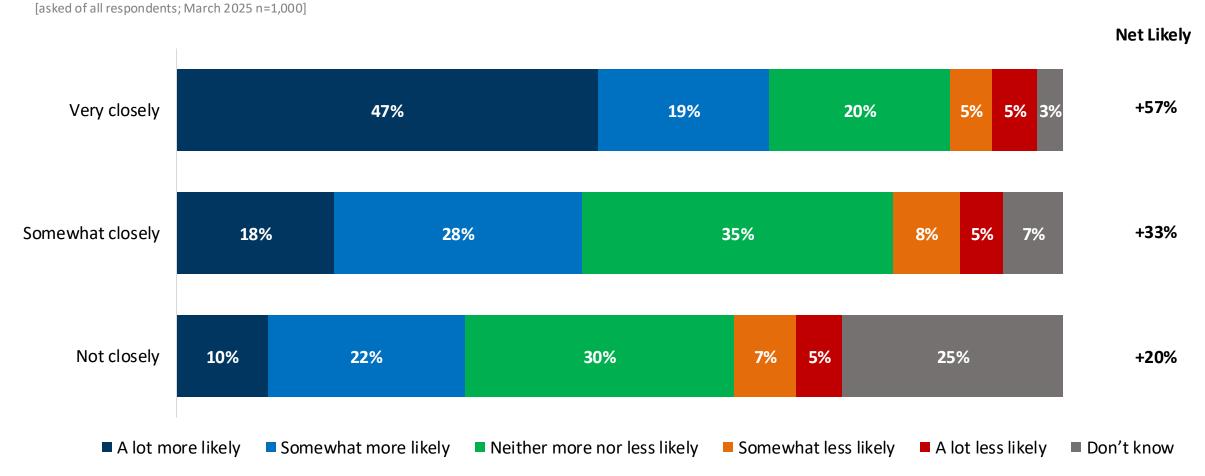




Support For Retaliatory Actions by Engagement with News:

67% of Canadians who follow the news very closely are likely to support future Canadian retaliatory actions

Do these events leave you feeling (ROTATE MORE OR LESS) more likely or less likely to support future Canadian retaliatory actions against US tariffs on Canadian goods? BY How closely have you been following these developments?



Where does this leave us?

- 1. Carney has a change mandate EVEN AMONG LIBERALS
- 2. Canadians want Carney to stand up to Trump by building a stronger Canadians economy that provides a more affordable life.
- 3. So far Canadians like what they are seeing from Carney.
- 4. Canadians embrace 'Build Baby Build" idea at a high level. But initial reaction to Ontario 'fast track' bills shows risk remains.
- 5. Energy transition remains positive, but support for fossil fuels stronger than ever.
- 6. While trade is not a 'bottom up' issue in the US, so far Trump is keeping his base on board.
- 7. Canadians want to hit back, putting pressure on governments to do things that could make Canada a target in the US.





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