

TABLE I

CANADIANS' EXPECTATIONS OF THE OVERALL DIRECTION OF THE RE-ELECTED CHRETIEN LIBERAL GOVERNMENT												
		REGION						VOTE 1997				
	CANADA	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	PC	Liberal	NDP	Reform	BQ
(Weighted Bases)	(1512)	(197)	(136)	(106)	(570)	(380)	(123)	(205)	(395)	(152)	(214)	(114)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Right direction	59	61	57	59	63	56	54	63	87	48	47	39
Wrong direction	26	23	29	26	20	34	31	23	5	35	37	53
(Unsure)	15	16	14	15	17	11	15	14	8	17	16	8

"Overall, do you think the re-elected Chretien Liberal government is going to take the country in the right direction or the wrong direction over these next four years?"

TABLE 2

CANADIANS' MAIN PRIORITIES FOR THE CHRETIEN LIBERALS' SECOND MANDATE

(Open-ended questioning; "total mentions")

		REGION						VOTE 1997				
	CANADA	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	PC	Liberal	NDP	Reform	BQ
(Weighted Bases)	(1512)	(197)	(136)	(106)	(570)	(380)	(123)	(205)	(395)	(152)	(214)	(114)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Jobs/Unemployment	56	45	41	56	55	65	68	63	57	64	45	72
Unity/Quebec	29	29	37	22	33	25	20	35	38	23	32	24
Deficit/Debt	28	37	37	28	29	21	23	34	32	19	43	16
Healthcare	21	17	22	24	19	20	30	21	17	36	16	21
Economy-General	16	15	16	8	15	23	8	18	20	9	10	26
Taxes/Tax Cuts	11	15	13	14	11	8	13	11	8	4	18	8
Education	9	7	11	8	10	9	12	11	8	13	8	9
Social Services	4	5	3	3	4	4	8	4	4	5	3	4
Poverty-Welfare	4	5	1	2	4	6	6	3	3	7	1	10
Gov't/Politics	4	7	2	7	4	5	2	4	4	6	7	4
Environment	4	8	3	3	4	4	2	3	4	8	4	4
Crime/Justice	3	6	4	4	3	1	3	3	3	2	7	1
Keep Promises	2	3	4	3	2	1	-	1	1	2	1	1

"Regardless of which political party you might support, what do you think should be the main priority of the re-elected Chretien Liberal government? And what do you think their other major priorities should be?" (Total Mentions)

TABLE 3

CANADIANS' BROAD VIEWS ON SOME REGIONAL ISSUES RAISED IN THIS ELECTION												
		REGION						VOTE 1997				
	CANADA	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	PC	Liberal	NDP	Reform	BQ
(Weighted Bases)	(1512)	(197)	(136)	(106)	(570)	(380)	(123)	(205)	(395)	(152)	(214)	(114)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
OVERALL VIEW OF REGIONALIZED VOTE:												
Good thing	53	50	60	53	47	60	54	40	46	44	61	67
Bad thing	39	41	36	36	43	34	41	53	46	47	30	32
(Unsure)	8	10	4	11	10	6	5	7	8	9	9	1
REFORM'S POSITION ON QUEBEC:												
Much too hardline	27	23	12	16	28	37	23	33	35	45	1	56
Somewhat hardline	20	13		20	21	21	19	25	26	21	11	15
Somewhat too soft	3	2	3	4	4	3	4	2	3	3	4	2
Much too soft	2	-	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2
About right	31	43	49	40	31	18	31	26	21	19	79	11
(Unsure)	16	20	8	17	14	20	21	12	13	11	4	15

"As you may know, in this latest federal election, the different regions of the country voted very differently, and all the parties did better in some regions and worse in others. All things considered, when you think about the fact that the different regions of the country voted differently in this federal election, do you tend to view this as a good thing or a bad thing overall?"

"What do you think about the Reform party's approach to national unity and Quebec? Do you think the Reform party's position on Quebec is: too hardline, too soft, or about right for what is needed right now? (Much or somewhat too hardline/soft?)"