

Table 1

CANADIANS' ONE-YEAR FORECAST FOR THE NATIONAL ECONOMY – October 1987 to Late September 1997 –																
	Oct. '87	Apr. '88	Apr. '89	Apr. '90	Mar. '91	Mar. '92	Mar. '93	Mar. '94	Mar. '95	Jan. '96	Mar. '96	July '96	Jan. '97	May '97	July '97	Sept. '97
(Weighted Bases)	(1011)	(1510)	(1502)	(1501)	(1503)	(1501)	(1500)	(1508)	(1503)	(1511)	(1520)	(1516)	(1519)	(1516)	(1516)	(1503)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
CANADA																
Improve	24	35	16	11	38	33	41	41	33	18	27	29	39	41	45	50
Stay the same	37	39	37	29	29	39	36	39	41	46	42	46	42	41	39	37
Get worse	33	21	45	58	31	27	21	18	25	35	29	24	18	15	15	12
BRITISH COLUMBIA																
(Weighted Bases)	(114)	(174)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(183)	(186)	(184)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(185)	(200)	(198)	(196)
Improve	24	34	20	14	38	40	41	40	28	19	28	29	35	38	36	48
Stay the same	32	40	41	41	27	27	27	36	39	42	42	48	47	43	47	34
Get worse	40	25	38	42	30	32	30	23	31	38	28	22	17	17	15	17
ALBERTA																
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)*	(n/a)*	(n/a)*	(139)	(140)	(139)	(135)	(136)	(135)	(136)	(137)	(136)	(136)	(135)	(137)	(135)
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	15	30	19	34	32	36	13	38	34	52	45	51	59
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	25	37	51	29	34	40	52	42	44	39	33	35	30
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	60	32	29	34	30	22	30	19	21	8	20	14	8
MANITOBA / SASKATCHEWAN																
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)*	(n/a)*	(n/a)*	(124)	(124)	(124)	(111)	(112)	(112)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(113)	(105)	(106)	(105)
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	11	25	40	27	35	35	17	20	26	32	38	47	56
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	30	24	33	39	46	44	48	49	45	49	45	37	34
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	54	47	26	31	16	20	35	31	29	18	15	13	8
ONTARIO																
(Weighted Bases)	(366)	(542)	(539)	(538)	(539)	(538)	(559)	(561)	(559)	(563)	(567)	(565)	(566)	(573)	(572)	(567)
Improve	23	36	17	9	42	28	46	51	38	23	29	34	46	47	54	55
Stay the same	37	37	36	23	29	32	34	38	42	44	40	42	35	37	35	34
Get worse	32	18	47	66	27	25	18	10	19	32	30	23	17	14	11	11
QUEBEC																
(Weighted Bases)	(260)	(390)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(385)	(386)	(386)	(388)	(390)	(389)	(390)	(378)	(381)	(377)
Improve	24	34	17	8	40	25	41	37	28	11	24	21	33	35	37	44
Stay the same	43	45	38	34	28	49	43	43	38	50	45	53	48	49	41	41
Get worse	26	17	40	55	28	25	13	19	31	38	29	25	18	15	19	13
ATLANTIC																
(Weighted Bases)	(94)	(140)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(127)	(128)	(126)	(127)	(128)	(128)	(128)	(124)	(123)	(122)
Improve	24	36	19	15	31	34	36	26	32	17	23	25	28	35	38	37
Stay the same	33	43	30	23	26	32	39	38	41	41	38	45	43	46	42	48
Get worse	36	19	49	59	43	32	24	36	27	42	39	29	29	17	19	14
*The survey results for this question were not split out for the prairie provinces prior to 1990.																

"Thinking about the next year or so, do you yourself generally feel that the Canadian economy will improve, stay about the same, or get worse?"

Table 2

CANADIANS' ONE-YEAR FORECAST FOR THEIR PROVINCIAL ECONOMIES – April 1990 to Late September 1997 –														
	Apr. '90	Mar. '91	Mar. '92	Nov. '92	Nov. '93	Nov. '94	Mar. '95	Nov. '95	Mar. '96	July '96	Jan. '97	May '97	July '97	Sept. '97
BRITISH COLUMBIA														
(Weighted Bases)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(184)	(183)	(184)	(184)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(185)	(200)	(198)	(196)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Improve	33	37	42	35	34	38	27	33	31	33	30	37	29	30
Stay the same	41	37	30	34	39	41	49	47	45	41	40	35	38	43
Get worse	23	24	25	27	20	20	21	17	21	26	29	26	31	25
ALBERTA														
(Weighted Bases)	(139)	(140)	(139)	(136)	(135)	(136)	(135)	(135)	(137)	(136)	(136)	(135)	(137)	(135)
Improve	24	45	22	35	28	53	48	46	57	54	65	67	71	74
Stay the same	28	36	43	38	40	29	32	32	32	39	28	29	21	22
Get worse	45	20	32	25	28	16	18	18	11	7	7	3	7	2
MANITOBA / SASKATCHEWAN														
(Weighted Bases)	(124)	(124)	(124)	(111)	(111)	(112)	(112)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(113)	(105)	(106)	(105)
Improve	5	17	37	29	24	39	40	21	19	25	28	33	42	49
Stay the same	34	28	31	39	44	46	45	56	52	44	49	50	37	41
Get worse	52	53	31	29	30	12	14	19	28	31	21	15	19	9
ONTARIO														
(Weighted Bases)	(538)	(539)	(538)	(559)	(559)	(564)	(559)	(561)	(567)	(565)	(566)	(573)	(572)	(567)
Improve	11	42	30	25	30	43	32	32	31	37	42	45	48	51
Stay the same	33	30	31	35	36	40	42	31	33	36	28	37	34	31
Get worse	53	27	36	38	31	15	23	35	35	25	28	15	16	16
QUEBEC														
(Weighted Bases)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(385)	(385)	(387)	(386)	(387)	(390)	(389)	(390)	(378)	(381)	(377)
Improve	10	37	24	30	21	30	24	24	33	20	20	22	26	31
Stay the same	40	32	49	44	45	45	41	43	37	45	48	49	43	43
Get worse	45	28	25	25	31	23	32	31	29	34	32	27	28	25
ATLANTIC														
(Weighted Bases)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(126)	(127)	(127)	(126)	(127)	(128)	(128)	(128)	(124)	(123)	(122)
Improve	15	27	22	37	31	20	29	13	21	18	29	26	34	35
Stay the same	30	25	31	25	38	44	37	37	48	47	40	51	43	40
Get worse	53	43	44	35	29	34	32	50	30	35	29	20	23	23

"Do you think that the provincial economy here in (Province) will improve, stay about the same, or get worse during the coming year?"