

Table 1

CANADIANS' PERCEIVED MAIN BENEFICIARY FROM CANADA-ASIA TRADE							
	REGION						
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
(Weighted Bases)	(1515) (%)	(198) (%)	(136) (%)	(106) (%)	(572) (%)	(380) (%)	(123) (%)
Asian countries primarily	21	24	19	20	24	15	28
Canada primarily	9	13	7	8	10	9	6
Benefits both equally	60	54	63	60	57	68	50
(Unsure)	10	8	12	11	10	8	16

“Do you think the trading relationship between Canada and Asia benefits Asian countries primarily, benefits Canada primarily or benefits both equally?”

Table 2

PUBLIC PERSPECTIVES ON CANADIAN COMPANIES OPERATING IN ASIAN COUNTRIES							
	REGION						
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
(Weighted Bases)	(1515) (%)	(198) (%)	(136) (%)	(106) (%)	(572) (%)	(380) (%)	(123) (%)
Good thing/Canadian presence will have positive influence on human rights and labour conditions there	56	53	55	60	57	57	53
Bad thing/Canadian trade and investment looks like an endorsement of the people in power and their policies	39	42	42	35	37	40	39
(Unsure)	5	5	3	5	6	3	8

“There are some Canadian companies which do business in Asian countries that have a poor record on human rights and labour conditions (Some/Other) people say it is a good thing for Canadian companies to do business in these Asian countries because the Canadian presence will have a positive influence on human rights and labour conditions there.

(Some/Other) people say it is a bad thing for Canadian companies to do business in these Asian countries because the Canadian trade and investment looks like an endorsement of the people in power and their policies.

Generally speaking, which of these two views is closest to your own?”

Table 3

PUBLIC OPINION ON CANADIAN TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN COUNTRIES WITH POORER HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOUR LAWS							
	REGION						
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
(Weighted Bases)	(1515) (%)	(198) (%)	(136) (%)	(106) (%)	(572) (%)	(380) (%)	(123) (%)
SHOULD CANADIANS TRADE WITH AND INVEST IN COUNTRIES WITH POOR HUMAN RIGHTS RECORDS?:							
Yes	34	29	33	37	35	33	34
No	63	67	64	59	62	64	60
(Unsure)	3	3	2	4	3	3	5
SHOULD CANADIAN GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGE TRADE AND INVESTMENT IN COUNTRIES WITH LESS STRICT LABOUR LAWS?:							
Yes	44	41	46	49	42	50	32
No	51	53	50	46	52	47	60
(Unsure)	5	6	4	6	6	4	8

“Do you think Canadians should trade with and invest in countries with poor human rights records as long as there is an economic benefit to Canada?”

“Do you think the Canadian government should encourage trade and investment with countries that have much less strict labour laws than we do?”