

Table 3

CANADIANS' ONE-YEAR FORECAST FOR THEIR PROVINCIAL ECONOMIES
– April 1990 to May 1998 –

	Apr. '90	Mar. '91	Mar. '92	Nov. '93	Nov. '94	Mar. '95	Nov. '95	Mar. '96	Jan. '97	May '97	Sept. '97	Nov. '97	Jan. '98	Mar. '98	May '98
BRITISH COLUMBIA															
(Weighted Bases)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(183)	(184)	(184)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(200)	(196)	(198)	(199)	(198)	(197)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Improve	33	37	42	34	38	27	33	31	30	37	30	19	16	17	13
Stay the same	41	37	30	39	41	49	47	45	40	35	43	36	27	25	31
Get worse	23	24	25	20	20	21	17	21	29	26	25	43	57	58	56
ALBERTA															
(Weighted Bases)	(139)	(140)	(139)	(135)	(136)	(135)	(135)	(137)	(136)	(135)	(135)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(136)
Improve	24	45	22	28	53	48	46	57	65	67	74	72	62	46	51
Stay the same	28	36	43	40	29	32	32	32	28	29	22	20	30	43	40
Get worse	45	20	32	28	16	18	18	11	7	3	2	7	7	9	8
MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN															
(Weighted Bases)	(124)	(124)	(124)	(111)	(112)	(112)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(105)	(106)	(106)	(107)	(105)	(106)*
Improve	5	17	37	24	39	40	21	21	27	33	47	33	34	38	31
Stay the same	34	28	31	44	46	45	56	50	44	50	37	50	48	42	48
Get worse	52	53	31	30	12	14	19	28	28	15	14	17	17	18	19
ONTARIO															
(Weighted Bases)	(538)	(539)	(538)	(559)	(564)	(559)	(561)	(567)	(566)	(573)	(567)	(572)	(575)	(572)	(570)
Improve	11	42	30	30	43	32	32	31	42	45	51	44	44	47	49
Stay the same	33	30	31	36	40	42	31	33	28	37	31	39	33	32	37
Get worse	53	27	36	31	15	23	35	35	28	15	16	16	21	19	13
QUÉBEC															
(Weighted Bases)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(385)	(387)	(386)	(387)	(390)	(390)	(378)	(377)	(381)	(383)	(381)	(384)
Improve	10	37	24	21	30	24	24	33	20	22	31	33	31	28	32
Stay the same	40	32	49	45	45	41	43	37	48	49	43	45	41	47	48
Get worse	45	28	25	31	23	32	31	29	32	27	25	22	27	24	18
ATLANTIC															
(Weighted Bases)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(127)	(127)	(126)	(127)	(128)	(128)	(124)	(122)	(123)	(124)	(123)	(123)
Improve	15	27	22	31	20	29	13	21	29	26	35	35	34	45	38
Stay the same	30	25	31	38	44	37	37	48	40	51	40	32	41	31	44
Get worse	53	43	44	29	34	32	50	30	29	20	23	33	25	23	18

* Manitoba/Saskatchewan data based on 121 interviews on the National Angus Reid Poll, plus a “booster” sample of 182 and weighted to reflect the population .

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

Table 2

**CANADIANS' ONE-YEAR FORECAST FOR THE NATIONAL ECONOMY
– October 1987 to May 1998 –**

	Oct. '87	Apr. '88	Apr. '89	Apr. '90	Mar. '91	Mar. '92	Mar. '93	Mar. '94	Mar. '95	Mar. '96	Jan. '97	May '97	Sept. '97	Nov. '97	Jan. '98	Mar. '98	May '98
CANADA																	
(Weighted Bases)	(1011)	(1510)	(1502)	(1501)	(1503)	(1501)	(1500)	(1508)	(1503)	(1520)	(1519)	(1516)	(1503)	(1516)	(1524)	(1516)	(1516)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Improve	24	35	16	11	38	33	41	41	33	27	39	41	50	43	39	45	44
Stay the same	37	39	37	29	29	39	36	39	41	42	42	41	37	42	38	40	41
Get worse	33	21	45	58	31	27	21	18	25	29	18	15	12	15	21	14	14
BRITISH COLUMBIA																	
(Weighted Bases)	(114)	(174)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(183)	(186)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(200)	(196)	(198)	(199)	(198)	(197)
Improve	24	34	20	14	38	40	41	40	28	28	35	38	48	31	22	34	29
Stay the same	32	40	41	41	27	27	27	36	39	42	47	43	34	48	38	45	46
Get worse	40	25	38	42	30	32	30	23	31	28	17	17	17	21	38	20	24
ALBERTA																	
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(139)	(140)	(139)	(135)	(136)	(135)	(137)	(136)	(135)	(135)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(136)
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	15	30	19	34	32	36	38	52	45	59	58	50	44	41
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	25	37	51	29	34	40	42	39	33	30	28	32	44	42
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	60	32	29	34	30	22	19	8	20	8	12	18	11	15
MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN																	
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(124)	(124)	(124)	(111)	(112)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(105)	(106)	(106)	(107)	(105)	(106)*
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	11	25	40	27	35	35	24	31	38	51	31	37	42	39
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	30	24	33	39	46	44	47	48	45	37	53	43	44	41
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	54	47	26	31	16	20	30	21	15	12	15	20	13	19
ONTARIO																	
(Weighted Bases)	(366)	(542)	(539)	(538)	(539)	(538)	(559)	(561)	(559)	(567)	(566)	(573)	(567)	(572)	(575)	(572)	(570)
Improve	23	36	17	9	42	28	46	51	38	29	46	47	55	46	44	53	54
Stay the same	37	37	36	23	29	32	34	38	42	40	35	37	34	39	37	33	34
Get worse	32	18	47	66	27	25	18	10	19	30	17	14	11	14	18	12	11
QUÉBEC																	
(Weighted Bases)	(260)	(390)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(385)	(386)	(386)	(390)	(390)	(378)	(377)	(381)	(383)	(381)	(384)
Improve	24	34	17	8	40	25	41	37	28	24	33	35	44	39	38	43	40
Stay the same	43	45	38	34	28	49	43	43	38	45	48	49	41	48	39	44	47
Get worse	26	17	40	55	28	25	13	19	31	29	18	15	13	12	21	13	12
ATLANTIC																	
(Weighted Bases)	(94)	(140)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(127)	(128)	(126)	(128)	(128)	(124)	(122)	(123)	(124)	(123)	(123)
Improve	24	36	19	15	31	34	36	26	32	23	28	35	37	47	34	41	40
Stay the same	33	43	30	23	26	32	39	38	41	38	43	46	48	31	45	41	44
Get worse	36	19	49	59	43	32	24	36	27	39	29	17	14	22	21	18	15

* Manitoba/Saskatchewan data based on 121 interviews on the National Angus Reid Poll, plus a “booster” sample of 182.

“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 1

**CANADIANS' APPRAISAL OF THE OVERALL STATE
OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY
- July 1994 to May 1998 -**

	July '94	Jan. '95	May '95	Jan. '96	May '96	July '96	Sept. '96	Nov. '96	Jan. '97	May '97	Jan. '98	May '98
CANADA												
(Weighted Bases)	(1507)	(1500)	(1500)	(1511)	(1516)	(1516)	(1516)	(1520)	(1519)	(1516)	(1524)	(1516)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Very good	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	4	5
Good	40	35	43	36	47	47	49	53	53	62	63	69
Poor	46	49	45	51	42	43	41	37	37	30	29	21
Very poor	10	14	9	11	9	8	8	8	7	4	4	3
BRITISH COLUMBIA												
(Weighted Bases)	(183)	(182)	(183)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(185)	(185)	(185)	(200)	(199)	(197)
Very good	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	0
Good	41	32	45	47	51	54	50	60	62	60	54	58
Poor	41	52	43	43	40	38	40	31	31	32	40	37
Very poor	14	14	8	6	5	6	7	7	3	5	5	4
ALBERTA												
(Weighted Bases)	(134)	(135)	(135)	(136)	(136)	(136)	(136)	(137)	(136)	(135)	(137)	(136)
Very good	0	0	2	0	2	1	2	3	3	6	6	4
Good	38	35	44	40	51	53	71	62	73	66	71	82
Poor	42	51	46	54	39	38	24	31	19	25	20	11
Very poor	15	14	5	6	8	7	3	3	4	1	3	0
MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN												
(Weighted Bases)	(115)	(111)	(111)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(113)	(113)	(113)	(105)	(107)	(106)*
Very good	2	2	0	1	2	2	0	2	2	4	3	7
Good	39	35	48	44	52	46	53	55	59	64	72	69
Poor	46	53	45	46	41	42	40	37	34	28	22	19
Very poor	13	10	8	9	5	8	6	6	5	4	3	4
ONTARIO												
(Weighted Bases)	(561)	(556)	(559)	(563)	(565)	(565)	(565)	(567)	(566)	(573)	(575)	(570)
Very good	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	5	9
Good	44	43	47	40	51	49	53	55	56	65	65	71
Poor	47	49	43	48	39	42	38	36	35	28	26	15
Very poor	6	7	6	10	6	6	5	7	7	4	4	3
QUEBEC												
(Weighted Bases)	(386)	(385)	(385)	(388)	(389)	(389)	(389)	(390)	(390)	(378)	(383)	(384)
Very good	1	1	1	0	0	2	2	1	1	2	2	3
Good	36	25	36	26	35	38	35	40	41	59	65	67
Poor	47	46	48	56	49	49	49	46	48	33	29	25
Very poor	14	27	15	17	16	10	15	13	10	6	3	4
ATLANTIC												
(Weighted Bases)	(128)	(132)	(126)	(127)	(128)	(128)	(128)	(128)	(128)	(124)	(124)	(123)
Very good	2	1	4	2	2	2	4	3	2	1	5	7
Good	36	40	45	32	47	48	41	60	42	56	53	70
Poor	55	48	42	55	41	42	46	29	47	38	37	18
Very poor	5	10	9	8	10	8	7	8	9	5	5	5

* Manitoba/Saskatchewan data based on 121 interviews on the National Angus Reid Poll, plus a "booster" sample of 182.

“In terms of the current economic conditions in this country as a whole, how would you describe the overall state of the Canadian economy right now – very good, good, poor or very poor?”

Table 4

CANADIANS' ONE-YEAR FORECAST FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL PROSPECTS
- October 1987 to May 1998 -

	Oct. '87	Apr. '88	Apr. '89	Apr. '90	Mar. '91	Mar. '92	Mar. '93	Mar. '94	Mar. '95	Nov. '95	Jan. '96	May '96	Nov. '96	Nov. '97	May '98
CANADA															
(Weighted Bases)	(1011)	(1510)	(1502)	(1501)	(1503)	(1501)	(1500)	(1508)	(1503)	(1506)	(1511)	(1516)	(1520)	(1516)	(1516)
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Improve	31	37	27	19	29	24	28	27	27	23	24	27	27	32	34
Stay the same	53	49	50	46	50	57	53	54	55	57	55	53	53	53	53
Get worse	12	11	21	33	19	18	17	19	17	19	19	19	18	15	12
BRITISH COLUMBIA															
(Weighted Bases)	(114)	(174)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(183)	(186)	(184)	(184)	(184)	(185)	(185)	(198)	(197)
Improve	27	34	36	26	37	31	31	33	28	26	27	25	24	38	25
Stay the same	57	51	44	48	44	52	49	51	51	59	54	58	55	50	59
Get worse	13	14	19	24	18	16	20	15	19	14	19	16	19	11	15
ALBERTA															
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(139)	(140)	(139)	(135)	(136)	(135)	(135)	(136)	(136)	(137)	(137)	(136)
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	24	32	24	31	22	28	36	36	40	38	49	36
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	40	52	56	53	47	52	48	50	48	51	38	50
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	33	14	18	16	29	18	12	12	8	11	13	15
MANITOBA/SASKATCHEWAN															
(Weighted Bases)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(n/a)	(124)	(124)	(124)	(111)	(112)	(112)	(112)	(112)	(113)	(113)	(106)	(106)*
Improve	n/a	n/a	n/a	17	19	28	15	24	23	19	23	27	27	33	25
Stay the same	n/a	n/a	n/a	45	55	50	55	50	54	55	56	50	53	51	58
Get worse	n/a	n/a	n/a	37	23	19	25	25	22	24	19	22	18	15	16
ONTARIO															
(Weighted Bases)	(366)	(542)	(539)	(538)	(539)	(538)	(559)	(561)	(559)	(561)	(563)	(565)	(567)	(572)	(570)
Improve	36	42	28	20	32	24	31	28	30	24	25	31	30	30	39
Stay the same	48	43	48	41	47	56	51	54	55	56	51	50	51	57	49
Get worse	13	9	22	36	19	18	17	18	15	19	23	18	18	12	11
QUÉBEC															
(Weighted Bases)	(260)	(390)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(391)	(385)	(386)	(386)	(387)	(388)	(389)	(390)	(381)	(384)
Improve	27	35	26	14	25	21	28	26	22	19	20	19	24	26	34
Stay the same	62	53	54	52	54	61	58	57	59	62	64	58	53	55	52
Get worse	7	10	19	33	18	17	12	16	17	19	16	22	22	18	13
ATLANTIC															
(Weighted Bases)	(94)	(140)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(137)	(127)	(128)	(126)	(127)	(127)	(128)	(128)	(123)	(123)
Improve	34	31	23	13	25	19	22	19	29	22	24	23	19	26	32
Stay the same	50	54	52	56	52	59	57	56	52	48	56	50	58	49	60
Get worse	14	12	23	31	19	23	21	24	18	30	20	26	22	25	9

* Manitoba/Saskatchewan data based on 121 interviews on the National Angus Reid Poll, plus a "booster" sample of 182.

"What about you and your family? Do you feel that your own economic situation will improve, stay about the same or get worse over the next year?"