

## Late-May 2000

*Thinking of the issues presently confronting Canada, which one do you feel should receive the greatest attention from Canada's leaders?  
What other issues do you think are important for Canada right now?*  
**TOTAL MENTION**

	Total	Region						Age			Gender	
		BC	Alberta	Sask/ Man	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	18 to 34	35 to 54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All respondents	1516	200	151	120	525	400	120	433	696	379	727	789
Weighted	1516	198	137	106	572	381	123	511	585	413	743	773
Aboriginals/Native Issues	2%	7%	1%	5%	2%	0	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%
Agriculture/Farming	2%	1%	1%	13%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Armed Forces/Military	2%	4%	4%	1%	3%	-	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%
Canadian Dollar	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%	4%	1%
Crime/Violence	3%	5%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Deficit/Debt/Government spending	12%	22%	16%	16%	12%	8%	4%	9%	13%	15%	16%	9%
Economy (general)	12%	16%	11%	8%	12%	13%	6%	8%	15%	11%	14%	10%
Education/Schools	23%	14%	16%	17%	28%	21%	31%	29%	22%	16%	16%	29%
Environment/Pollution	8%	7%	5%	3%	10%	6%	9%	8%	8%	6%	8%	7%
Immigration/Refugees	5%	17%	6%	1%	4%	1%	6%	5%	5%	6%	6%	5%
Jobs/Unemployment	12%	7%	9%	10%	9%	20%	19%	11%	15%	10%	13%	12%
Justice system - Young Offenders Act, death penalty	3%	7%	2%	-	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%
Medicare/Healthcare	52%	44%	68%	37%	53%	50%	60%	47%	55%	54%	44%	59%
National unity/Quebec's future/Constitution/More recognition for Western Canada	12%	8%	8%	12%	10%	19%	7%	10%	11%	15%	15%	9%
Native fishing dispute/rights	1%	2%	1%	2%	0	-	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	0
Poverty/The poor/Welfare/Homeless/Gap between rich and poor	11%	8%	1%	6%	13%	13%	13%	12%	11%	9%	7%	14%
Social Services - pensions/daycare/housing	5%	6%	6%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	5%
Stock Market	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
Taxes/Tax reform/GST (general)	16%	16%	25%	23%	14%	18%	9%	14%	17%	19%	20%	13%
Trade/Free trade/NAFTA/Global trade	3%	7%	4%	2%	2%	1%	3%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%
American influence in Canada - economic/cultural influence	0	-	-	-	1%	-	1%	-	1%	-	0	0
Government/ politics/ political leadership	5%	4%	7%	6%	4%	7%	1%	2%	3%	10%	7%	3%
International/ foreign affairs/ foreign policy	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Oil & gas prices	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Natural resources -water exports, fisheries, forestry, mining, oil & gas	1%	2%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	0
World peace/ disarmament/ peacekeeping	1%	-	-	1%	2%	0	-	1%	0	1%	1%	1%
Youth issues/ child abuse/ child poverty	2%	3%	1%	-	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Moral issues - pornography, drugs, abortion, gambling, religion	1%	-	1%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Gun control/ laws	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Language issues(English, French)/ Bilingualism	1%	-	-	-	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Women's issues - pay equity	0	0	-	-	1%	1%	-	1%	0	0	0	1%
Seniors issues - aging population	1%	0	2%	-	0	2%	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%
Transportation/ roads/ highways	1%	3%	-	3%	-	0	2%	2%	1%	0	1%	1%
Business/Industry issues (eg: Brain Drain)	1%	-	-	3%	2%	-	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	0
Government subsidies for NHL teams/pro sports	0	-	-	1%	0	0	-	1%	-	-	0	0
Human resources scandal/ Jane Stewart	0	-	1%	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0	-
Other	6%	3%	1%	5%	6%	8%	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%	5%
None are important	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
(DK/NS)	6%	6%	4%	11%	4%	7%	3%	8%	5%	4%	6%	5%

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Thinking of how you feel right now, if a federal election were held tomorrow, which of the following parties' candidates would you, yourself, be most likely to support?  
Which party would you say you are leaning towards?

### LEANERS INCLUDED

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The Progressive Conservatives (PC)	13%	7%	13%	10%	18%	4%	25%	12%	12%	15%	12%	14%
The Liberals	43%	40%	24%	36%	49%	43%	45%	44%	43%	39%	42%	43%
The New Democratic Party (NDP)	9%	12%	8%	19%	9%	4%	11%	9%	9%	8%	7%	11%
The Canadian Reform Conservative Alliance/ Canadian Alliance	17%	30%	48%	27%	15%	2%	5%	15%	15%	21%	21%	13%
The Bloc Quebecois (BQ)	9%	-	-	-	0	36%	-	12%	10%	5%	10%	8%
Or some other party	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Would not vote	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Refuse	1%	1%	-	-	1%	1%	2%	0	1%	2%	1%	1%
None	1%	1%	-	3%	1%	-	2%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%
DK/NS	5%	5%	5%	4%	5%	7%	7%	5%	6%	5%	4%	7%
Base: Decided voters	1385	181	143	111	488	360	102	405	629	345	680	705
Weighted	1388	180	129	99	530	345	105	478	529	375	697	691
The Progressive Conservatives (PC)	14%	8%	14%	11%	19%	5%	29%	12%	13%	17%	13%	15%
The Liberals	47%	43%	25%	39%	53%	48%	52%	48%	48%	43%	45%	48%
The New Democratic Party (NDP)	10%	13%	8%	20%	10%	4%	13%	10%	10%	9%	7%	12%
The Canadian Reform Conservative Alliance/ Canadian Alliance	18%	33%	50%	29%	16%	2%	6%	16%	17%	24%	22%	14%
The Bloc Quebecois (BQ)	10%	-	-	-	0	40%	-	13%	11%	6%	11%	9%
Or some other party	2%	3%	3%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%

### Federal Party Support Tracking

	June '97*	Oct. '97	Jan. '98	Mar. '98	June '98	Nov. '98	Jan. '99	May '99	July '99	Nov. '99	Jan. '00	Mar. '00	May '00^
Liberal	38	44	47	51	49	50	47	49	42	48	49	48	47
Canadian Alliance ^	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	18
Reform ^	19	18	16	16	14	16	14	14	13	14	15	13	--
PC	19	14	15	13	15	14	14	13	20	16	15	14	14
NDP	11	13	10	11	11	10	12	12	13	12	11	11	10
Bloc Québécois	11	10	10	9	10	10	11	10	10	9	9	10	10
Other	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	4	2

\* Actual election results

^ As of April 2000 results were tracked for the Canadian Reform Conservative Alliance/Canadian Alliance instead of the Reform Party