

PROVINCIAL POLITICAL SCENE

6. Now, in implementing its tax cuts, the BC Liberal government expects to generate economic activity through increased consumer spending, business investment, and job creation. In this way, it hopes to cover the shortfall in government revenues from lower taxes, and help pay for government services and programs over the course of its mandate.

Proportions/Mean: Columns Tested (5% risk level) - A/D/E - B/C/D/E - F/G - H/I/J - K/L/M - N/O/P - Q/R/S

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	Total	Region					Gender		Age			Union Household			Education			Income		
		LM	V/B	SLM	Isl	Int	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Priv	Pub	No	HS	PSe c	Unv	<30	30-60	60+
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S
Base: All respondents	800	500	229	271	104	196	388	412	207	348	236	103	172	516	226	307	264	166	285	290
Weighted	800	446	194	252	145*	209	387	413	269	319	204	105*	174	511	228	319	250	175	285	287
Very confident	63 8%	35 8%	17 9%	19 7%	6 4%	22 10%	40 10%	23 6%	21 8%	25 8%	17 9%	4 4%	13 7%	45 9%	21 9%	24 7%	18 7%	9 5%	20 7%	29 10%
Somewhat confident	307 38%	177 40%	63 32%	115 46%	55 38%	75 36%	161 42%	146 35%	114 42%	123 39%	65 32%	49 47%	51 29%	205 40%	85 37%	133 42%	88 35%	51 29%	118 41%	115 40%
Not very confident	222 28%	123 28%	56 29%	67 27%	40 27%	59 28%	90 23%	131 32%	84 31%	91 28%	45 22%	19 18%	52 30%	148 29%	67 29%	92 29%	63 25%	63 36%	82 29%	68 24%
Not at all confident	199 25%	106 24%	56 29%	49 20%	44 30%	50 24%	90 23%	109 27%	45 17%	79 25%	74 36%	31 30%	58 33%	106 21%	49 22%	69 22%	80 32%	49 28%	61 21%	74 26%
(DK/NS)	9 1%	5 1%	3 1%	2 1%	0 -	4 2%	6 1%	3 1%	5 2%	1 0	1 1%	2 2%	0 -	7 1%	5 2%	1 0	2 1%	4 2%	3 1%	1 0
Summary																				
Top Box - Confident	370 46%	213 48%	79 41%	133 53%	62 42%	96 46%	201 52%	169 41%	135 50%	148 46%	83 41%	53 51%	63 36%	250 49%	106 47%	157 49%	106 42%	60 34%	139 49%	145 50%
Low Box - Not confident	421 53%	228 51%	112 58%	116 46%	83 58%	109 52%	180 47%	241 58%	129 48%	170 53%	119 59%	50 48%	110 64%	254 50%	117 51%	161 50%	142 57%	112 64%	144 50%	142 49%

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7. The BC Liberals recently announced a plan to cut the size of the public service by about 30 percent over the next three years through a combination of employee layoffs and voluntary departures. Do you approve or disapprove of these cuts to the public service?

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Strongly approve	173 22%	104 23%	40 21%	64 25%	23 16%	46 22%	99 25% G	74 18%	40 15%	79 25% H	51 25% H	23 22%	26 15%	123 24% L	46 20%	72 23%	53 21%	22 13%	58 20% Q	76 26% Q
Moderately approve	196 25%	112 25%	42 22%	70 28%	32 22%	52 25%	104 27%	93 22%	62 23%	76 24%	58 29%	23 22%	47 27%	124 24%	56 25%	80 25%	61 24%	34 19%	77 27%	74 26%
Moderately disapprove	154 19%	83 19%	45 23% C	38 15%	32 22%	38 18%	63 16%	91 22%	54 20%	69 22% J	30 15%	20 19%	40 23%	94 18%	41 18%	55 17%	58 23%	43 25%	52 18%	50 17%
Strongly disapprove	263 33%	143 32%	67 34%	76 30%	52 36%	68 33%	114 29%	150 36% F	110 41% IJ	91 29%	60 29%	37 35%	61 35%	161 32%	79 35%	109 34%	75 30%	73 41% S	91 32%	85 30%
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Summary																				
Top Box - Approve	369 46%	216 48%	82 42%	134 53% BD	55 38%	98 47%	202 52% G	167 40%	103 38%	155 49% H	109 53% H	46 44%	72 41%	247 48%	102 45%	152 48%	114 46%	56 32%	135 47% Q	151 52% Q
Low Box - Disapprove	417 52%	226 51%	111 57% C	115 46%	84 58% C	107 51%	177 46%	240 58% F	164 61% IJ	160 50%	90 44%	57 55%	101 58%	255 50%	120 52%	164 51%	133 53%	116 66% RS	143 50%	135 47%