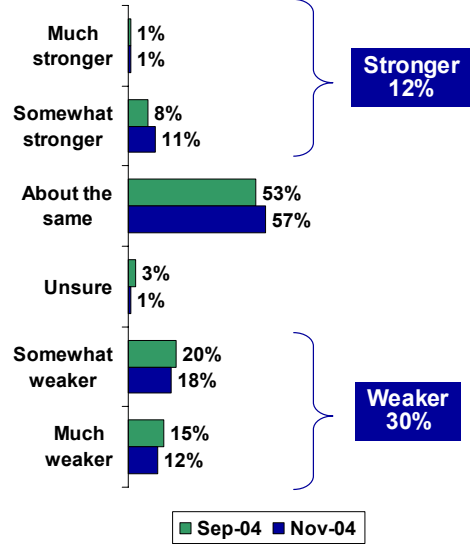
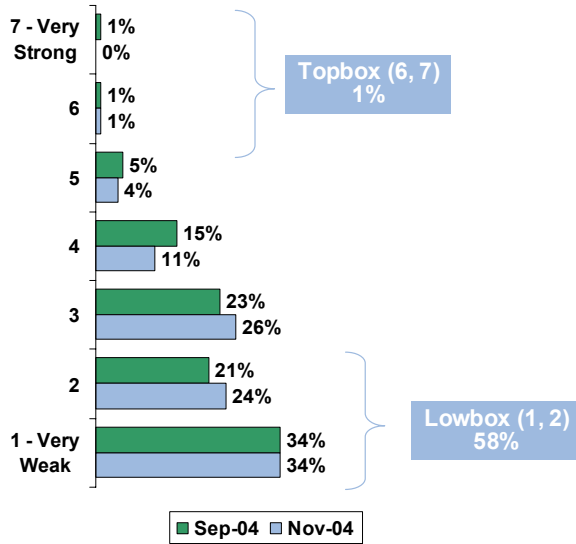


## Agricultural Economy and Outlook

Q5. Now, thinking about the agriculture economy in general, how would you rate the current state of the economic conditions in the agriculture sector?

Q6. Looking ahead six months from now, do you expect that the agricultural economy in Canada will be ...?



Base: All Respondents (n=875)



## Agricultural Economy and Outlook by Region and Main Farm Type

By Region								
	Total	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	Atlantic
Unweighted Base	(n=875)	(n=100)	(n=125)	(n=150)	(n=100)	(n=150)	(n=150)	(n=100)
Current State of Agriculture Economy:								
<b>Top2Box (6,7)</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	-1%	+1%	-1%	-2%	-2%	+1%	+2%	-1%
<b>Low2Box (1,2)</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>40%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	+4%	-3%	-4%	+6%	+9%	+9%	-	+3%
Agriculture Economy Expectations Six Months From Now:								
<b>Much/somewhat stronger</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>12%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	+2%	+1%	+4%	+3%	+3%	+4%	-	-3%
<b>Much/somewhat weaker</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>30%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	-4%	-	-14%	-1%	-12%	-7%	+12%	+8%

By Main Farm Type							
	Total	Crops	Beef Cattle	Hogs	Dairy	Hort/Vit	Poultry/ Other/ Other Live.
Unweighted Base	(n=875)	(n=294)	(n=236)	(n=88)*	(n=115)	(n=91)*	(n=51)*
Current State of Agriculture Economy:							
<b>Top2Box (6,7)</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>8%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	-1%	-2%	-1%	-1%	-1%	+1%	+7%
<b>Low2Box (1,2)</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>49%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	+4%	+5%	+3%	+4%	+9%	-9%	+8%
Agriculture Economy Expectations Six Months From Now:							
<b>Much/somewhat stronger</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>15%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	+2%	+1%	+6%	-	-	+1%	+7%
<b>Much/somewhat weaker</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>25%</b>
% Change from Sep-04	-4%	-	-14%	-7%	-7%	+4%	+12%

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