

*Thinking about the recently elected Conservative government under the leadership of Stephen Harper, from what you have seen, read or heard, would you say that you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of their performance so far?*

\* small base

	REGION							AGE			GENDER	
	TOTAL	BC	ALB	SK/MN	ONT	QUE	ATL	18-34	35-54	55+	Male	Female
Base: All Respondents												
Unweighted Base	1000	141	96	67	383	237	76	222	411	337	505	495
Weighted Base	1000	139	96*	67*	385	237	76*	274	372	325	490	510
Strongly approve	18%	16%	35%	24%	16%	14%	15%	14%	17%	21%	21%	15%
Somewhat approve	36%	29%	32%	33%	33%	47%	34%	38%	37%	35%	37%	35%
Somewhat disapprove	18%	13%	8%	12%	20%	20%	23%	22%	17%	14%	17%	18%
Strongly disapprove	14%	24%	8%	17%	17%	6%	13%	12%	13%	18%	12%	16%
Don't know/Refused	14%	18%	17%	14%	14%	12%	15%	15%	16%	11%	13%	16%
TOPBOX & LOWBOX SUMMARY												
Approve (Top2Box)	54%	45%	67%	57%	49%	61%	49%	52%	54%	56%	58%	50%
Disapprove (Low2Box)	32%	37%	16%	29%	37%	26%	35%	33%	30%	32%	29%	35%

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	TOTAL	Urban	Rural	<HS	HS	Post sec	University	<\$30K	\$30K-<\$60K	\$60K +
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Unweighted Base	1000	813	187	76	226	303	383	189	316	368
Weighted Base	1000	817	183	75*	227	304	383	196	318	360
Strongly approve	18%	17%	22%	18%	21%	16%	17%	16%	21%	17%
Somewhat approve	36%	35%	39%	41%	39%	38%	32%	32%	40%	38%
Somewhat disapprove	18%	19%	13%	12%	16%	17%	20%	19%	18%	17%
Strongly disapprove	14%	14%	13%	12%	11%	13%	18%	14%	11%	15%
Don't know/Refused	14%	15%	13%	16%	14%	15%	13%	19%	10%	13%
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Disapprove (Low2Box)	32%	33%	25%	24%	27%	30%	38%	33%	29%	33%

*As you may know, recently elected Prime Minister Stephen Harper unveiled his new government's cabinet this past Monday. Prime Minister Harper surprised many when he announced that David Emerson an MP elected as a Liberal who served as former Prime Minister Paul Martin's industry Minister, and Michael Fortier, an unelected member of the Conservative Party, would be members of his Cabinet. Some people say that Prime Minister Harper did what he had to do to build a national government and this is how things normally get accomplished in Ottawa. Other people say that Prime Minister Harper was elected largely because he promised to change how the federal government operates and that these cabinet appointments are a "bad sign" that the old-style of federal politics are not going to change under this new government. Which of these two opinions is closest to your own?*

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Prime Minister Harper did what he had to do to build a national government and this is how things normally get accomplished in Ottawa	40%	34%	51%	46%	36%	44%	37%	40%	37%	43%	44%	36%
Prime Minister Harper was elected largely because he promised to change how the federal government operates and that these cabinet appointments are a 'bad sign' that the old-style of federal politics are not going to change under this new government	48%	48%	33%	47%	53%	44%	51%	46%	51%	47%	46%	50%
Don't know/Refused	12%	17%	16%	7%	11%	11%	12%	14%	12%	10%	10%	15%

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Prime Minister Harper was elected largely because he promised to change how the federal government operates and that these cabinet appointments are a 'bad sign' that the old-style of federal politics are not going to change under this new government	48%	47%	52%	39%	47%	46%	52%	51%	46%	48%
Don't know/Refused	12%	12%	12%	24%	10%	13%	10%	18%	9%	8%