## Views of Canadians on the economy and the country's relationship with the USA

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# Canadians believe defence spending should be increased and that the economy is better off because of NAFTA 

Canadians have mixed feelings on whether the Trump Administration will continue to treat Canada as the closest friend and ally of the US. Canadians are ready to pay a fair share with NATO and think the potential Keystone XL pipeline approval would be good news for Canada. However, Canadians are generally against making special provisions to accept illegal aliens deported from the United States.

- Canadians have mixed feelings on whether the Trump Administration will continue to treat Canada as the United States' closest friend and ally - Over two fifths of Canadians disagree (22\%) or somewhat disagree (22\%) that the Trump Administration will continue to treat Canada as the United States' closest friend and ally, while another two fifths agree (14\%) or somewhat agree (27\%) with this. Fifteen per cent of Canadians are unsure.
- Over six in ten Canadians agree or somewhat agree that the country should increase defence spending so that it pays its fair share of military costs as part of NATO - More than six in ten Canadians agree (28\%) or somewhat agree (35\%) that Canada should increase defence spending in order to pay its fair share of military costs as part of NATO, while just over three in ten Canadians disagree (11\%) or somewhat disagree (21\%) with this. Five per cent of Canadians are unsure.
- Close to two thirds of Canadians agree or somewhat agree the approval by the United States of the Keystone XL pipeline which connects the oil sands to the US market would be beneficial for Canada - Over six in ten Canadians agree (38\%) or somewhat agree (25\%) the approval by the United States of the Keystone XL pipeline which connects the oil sands to the US market would be good news for Canada. Three in ten Canadians disagree (18\%) or somewhat disagree (14\%) with this, while six per cent are unsure.
- A majority of Canadians disagree or somewhat disagree with Canada making special provisions to accept illegal aliens who may be deported from the United States - Six in ten Canadians disagree (43\%) or somewhat disagree (18\%) with Canada making special provisions to welcome illegal aliens who may be deported from the United States, while just over two in ten agree (10\%) or somewhat agree (22\%) with this. Seven per cent of Canadians are unsure.
- Close to six in ten Canadians believe the Canadian economy is better off because of NAFTA - Fifty-seven per cent of Canadians think the Canadian economy is better off because of the North American Free Trade Agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico, while 20 per cent say it is worse off and six per cent say it had no impact. This represents an increase of nearly 30 points for 'better off' since 2012.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between November $26^{\text {th }}$ and $30^{\text {th }}, 2016$ as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

This study was commissioned by CTV News.

## The economy and Canada's relationship with the USA

Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, November $26^{\text {th }}$ to $30^{\text {th }}, 2016, \mathrm{n}=1000$, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20 .

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QUESTION - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following: [RANDOMIZE]

## Canada-USA relationship

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| Net Score |  |  |  | Subgroups | Disagree/ Somewhat disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charts m |  |  | Somewhat agree 27\% | Atlantic ( $\mathrm{n}=100$ ) | 54.7\% |
|  |  |  | Quebec ( $\mathrm{n}=250$ ) | 41.1\% |
|  |  |  | Ontario ( $\mathrm{n}=300$ ) | 41.9\% |
|  |  |  | Prairies ( $\mathrm{n}=200$ ) | 42.0\% |
|  |  |  | British Columbia ( $\mathrm{n}=150$ ) | 49.8\% |
|  |  |  | Male ( $\mathrm{n}=513$ ) | 36.6\% |
|  |  |  | Female ( $\mathrm{n}=487$ ) | 51.4\% |
|  |  |  | 18 to 29 ( $\mathrm{n}=175$ ) | 48.2\% |
|  |  |  | 30 to 39 ( $\mathrm{n}=163$ ) | 41.3\% |
|  |  |  | 40 to 49 ( $n=202$ ) | 44.9\% |
|  |  |  | 50 to 59 ( $\mathrm{n}=204$ ) | 44.9\% |
|  | 100 du |  |  | 60 plus ( $\mathrm{n}=256$ ) | 42.2\% |

QUESTION - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following: [RANDOMIZE]

The Trump Administration will continue to treat Canada as the USA's closest friend and ally

## Canada's defense spending

Source: CTV News/Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, November $26^{\text {th }}$ to $30^{\text {th }}, 2016$, $\mathrm{n}=1000$, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20 .


QUESTION - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following: [RANDOMIZE]
Canada should increase defense spending so that it pays its fair share of military costs as part of NATO

## Approval of the Keystone XL pipeline

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| Subgroups | Agree/ <br> Somewhat <br> agree |
| :--- | :---: |
| Atlantic (n=100) | $63.1 \%$ |
| Quebec (n=250) | $54.4 \%$ |
| Ontario (n=300) | $59.1 \%$ |
| Prairies (n=200) | $78.6 \%$ |
| British Columbia (n=150) | $59.1 \%$ |
| Male (n=513) | $74.5 \%$ |
| Female (n=487) | $50.6 \%$ |
| 18 to $29(n=175)$ | $55.5 \%$ |
| 30 to $39(n=163)$ | $56.4 \%$ |
| 40 to $49(n=202)$ | $61.4 \%$ |
| 50 to $59(n=204)$ | $63.7 \%$ |
| 60 plus $(n=256)$ | $70.3 \%$ |

QUESTION - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following: [RANDOMIZE]
Approval by the United States of the Keystone XL pipeline which connects the oil sands to the US market would be good news for Canada

## Acceptance of illegal aliens

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QUESTION - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following: [RANDOMIZE]

## Canada making special provisions to accept illegal aliens who may be deported from the United States

## NAFTA's impact on the economy

Source: Nanos Survey, 2012-09 (Canada $\mathrm{n}=1000$ )
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QUESTION - Do you think the Canadian economy is better off, worse off or there has been no impact because of the North American Free Trade Agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico?

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| Net Score | Unsure | Subgroups | Better off |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +37.0 | Worse off 20\% <br> No imp 6\% | Atlantic ( $\mathrm{n}=100$ ) | 47.7\% |
|  |  | Quebec ( $\mathrm{n}=250$ ) | 60.9\% |
|  |  | Ontario ( $\mathrm{n}=300$ ) | 52.7\% |
|  |  | Prairies ( $\mathrm{n}=200$ ) | 59.5\% |
|  |  | British Columbia ( $\mathrm{n}=150$ ) | 58.8\% |
|  |  | Male ( $\mathrm{n}=513$ ) | 62.6\% |
|  |  | Female ( $\mathrm{n}=487$ ) | 50.8\% |
|  |  | 18 to 29 ( $\mathrm{n}=175$ ) | 51.9\% |
|  |  | 30 to 39 ( $n=163$ ) | 53.7\% |
|  |  | 40 to 49 ( $n=202$ ) | 53.6\% |
|  |  | 50 to 59 ( $\mathrm{n}=204$ ) | 54.3\% |
| *Note: Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding |  | 60 plus ( $\mathrm{n}=256$ ) | 65.3\% |

QUESTION - Do you think the Canadian economy is better off, worse off or there has been no impact because of the North American Free Trade Agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico

## Methodology

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between November $26^{\text {th }}$ and $30^{\text {th }}, 2016$ as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. The sample included both land- and cell-lines across Canada. The results were statistically checked and weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada.

Individuals randomly called using random digit dialling with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20 .

The data presented in this research is part of a joint project by CTV News and Nanos Research.

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## Technical Note

| Element | Description | Element | Description |
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| Organization who commissioned the research | CTV News | Weighting of Data | The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2014) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure |
| Final Sample Size Margin of Error | 1,000 Randomly selected individuals. $\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20 . | Screening | Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data. |
| Mode of Survey | RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey | Excluded Demographics | Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell line could not participate. |
| Sampling Method Base | The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada. | Stratification | By age and gender using the latest Census information (2014) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada. Smaller areas such as Atlantic Canada were marginally oversampled to allow for a minimum regional sample. |
| Demographics (Captured) | Atlantic Canada, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies, British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years and older. Six digit postal code was used to validate geography. | Estimated Response Rate | 14 percent, consistent with industry norms. |
| Demographics (Other) | Age, gender, education, income | Question Order | Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire. |
| Fieldwork/Validation | Live interviews with live supervision to validate work as per the MRIA Code of Conduct | Question Content | This was module two of an omnibus survey. The previous module included a question about the top unprompted issue of national concern. |
| Number of Calls/ | Maximum of five call backs. | Question Wording | The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals. |
| Time of Calls | Individuals were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:309:30pm local time for the respondent. | Survey Company | Nanos Research |
| Field Dates | November $26^{\text {th }}$ to $30^{\text {th }}, 2016$. | Contact | Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. <br> http://www.nanosresearch.com |
| Language of Survey | The survey was conducted in both English and French. |  | Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. <br> Email: info@nanosresearch.com. |

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## Tabulations

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Question - Do you agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or disagree with the following [RANDOMIZE]

|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Canada 2016-11 | Atlantic Canada | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 29 | 30 to 39 | 40 to 49 | 50 to 59 | 60 plus |
| Question - The Trump | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 513 | 487 | 175 | 163 | 202 | 204 | 256 |
| Administration will continue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| to treat Canada as the USA's |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| closest friend and ally |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 487 | 513 | 197 | 163 | 187 | 189 | 265 |
|  | Agree | \% | 13.9 | 14.0 | 16.5 | 11.5 | 15.3 | 12.5 | 17.7 | 10.4 | 11.6 | 18.4 | 14.0 | 16.5 | 11.0 |
|  | Somewhat agree | \% | 26.7 | 19.4 | 28.2 | 28.4 | 31.4 | 19.2 | 32.7 | 21.0 | 26.9 | 24.9 | 27.5 | 24.1 | 28.9 |
|  | Somewhat disagree | \% | 22.2 | 31.5 | 22.8 | 20.0 | 15.4 | 28.6 | 21.6 | 22.8 | 22.7 | 18.9 | 23.6 | 21.2 | 23.8 |
|  | Disagree | \% | 22.0 | 23.2 | 18.3 | 21.9 | 26.6 | 21.2 | 15.0 | 28.6 | 25.5 | 22.4 | 21.3 | 23.7 | 18.4 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 15.2 | 12.1 | 14.1 | 18.1 | 11.2 | 18.5 | 13.0 | 17.3 | 13.4 | 15.4 | 13.6 | 14.5 | 18.0 |

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|  |  |  | Canada 2016-11 | Atlantic Canada | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British <br> Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 29 | 30 to 39 | 40 to 49 | 50 to 59 | 60 plus |
| Question - Canada should | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 513 | 487 | 175 | 163 | 202 | 204 | 256 |
| increase defence spending |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| so that it pays its fair share |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 487 | 513 | 197 | 163 | 187 | 189 | 265 |
| of military costs as part of |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NATO | Agree | \% | 27.5 | 26.5 | 18.6 | 29.7 | 37.0 | 25.7 | 37.3 | 18.1 | 26.6 | 22.2 | 28.0 | 32.5 | 27.5 |
|  | Somewhat agree | \% | 35.4 | 35.1 | 36.0 | 35.8 | 33.3 | 36.8 | 35.2 | 35.7 | 27.0 | 38.1 | 36.8 | 30.6 | 42.4 |
|  | Somewhat disagree | \% | 20.6 | 22.0 | 28.3 | 15.8 | 16.0 | 22.7 | 14.2 | 26.7 | 21.7 | 20.7 | 23.9 | 19.0 | 18.7 |
|  | Disagree | \% | 11.3 | 10.7 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 8.9 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 12.0 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 7.6 | 11.7 | 7.5 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 5.2 | 5.7 | 4.7 | 6.1 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 7.6 | 5.4 | 7.2 | 3.8 | 6.3 | 4.0 |

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|  |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Gender |  | Age |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Canada 2016-11 | Atlantic Canada | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | British <br> Columbia | Male | Female | 18 to 29 | 30 to 39 | 40 to 49 | 50 to 59 | 60 plus |
| Question - Approval by the | Total | Unwgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 513 | 487 | 175 | 163 | 202 | 204 | 256 |
| United States of the |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Keystone XL pipeline which |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 487 | 513 | 197 | 163 | 187 | 189 | 265 |
| connects the oil sands to the |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| US market would be good | Agree | \% | 37.7 | 41.6 | 27.8 | 33.7 | 55.3 | 35.8 | 49.2 | 26.7 | 31.3 | 34.8 | 34.4 | 41.3 | 43.8 |
| news for Canada. | Somewhat agree | \% | 24.6 | 21.5 | 26.6 | 25.4 | 23.3 | 23.3 | 25.3 | 23.9 | 24.2 | 21.6 | 27.0 | 22.4 | 26.5 |
|  | Somewhat disagree | \% | 13.6 | 13.8 | 19.8 | 12.3 | 7.3 | 14.2 | 10.1 | 16.9 | 13.8 | 15.2 | 16.5 | 14.3 | 10.0 |
|  | Disagree | \% | 18.1 | 18.2 | 21.1 | 19.1 | 8.4 | 23.8 | 12.4 | 23.4 | 25.0 | 20.3 | 15.2 | 15.5 | 15.4 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 6.1 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 9.5 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 9.1 | 5.7 | 8.2 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 4.2 |

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| special provisions to accept |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| illegal aliens who may be |  | Wgt N | 1000 | 100 | 250 | 300 | 200 | 150 | 487 | 513 | 197 | 163 | 187 | 189 | 265 |
| deported from the United |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| States. | Agree | \% | 10.3 | 15.3 | 11.8 | 8.5 | 10.1 | 8.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 19.1 | 5.6 | 9.8 | 8.5 | 8.3 |
|  | Somewhat agree | \% | 22.2 | 23.9 | 20.9 | 24.7 | 17.1 | 25.4 | 20.7 | 23.7 | 19.6 | 25.9 | 25.3 | 21.9 | 20.0 |
|  | Somewhat disagree | \% | 18.2 | 16.3 | 25.1 | 18.8 | 11.5 | 15.8 | 18.6 | 17.8 | 18.6 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 18.1 | 18.7 |
|  | Disagree | \% | 42.5 | 39.1 | 37.4 | 39.9 | 53.8 | 43.0 | 44.8 | 40.2 | 36.9 | 46.3 | 40.3 | 40.6 | 47.1 |
|  | Unsure | \% | 6.8 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 8.1 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 5.5 | 8.0 | 5.9 | 4.5 | 6.8 | 10.8 | 6.0 |

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