

# Feelings of anger or pessimism towards the federal government on the rise

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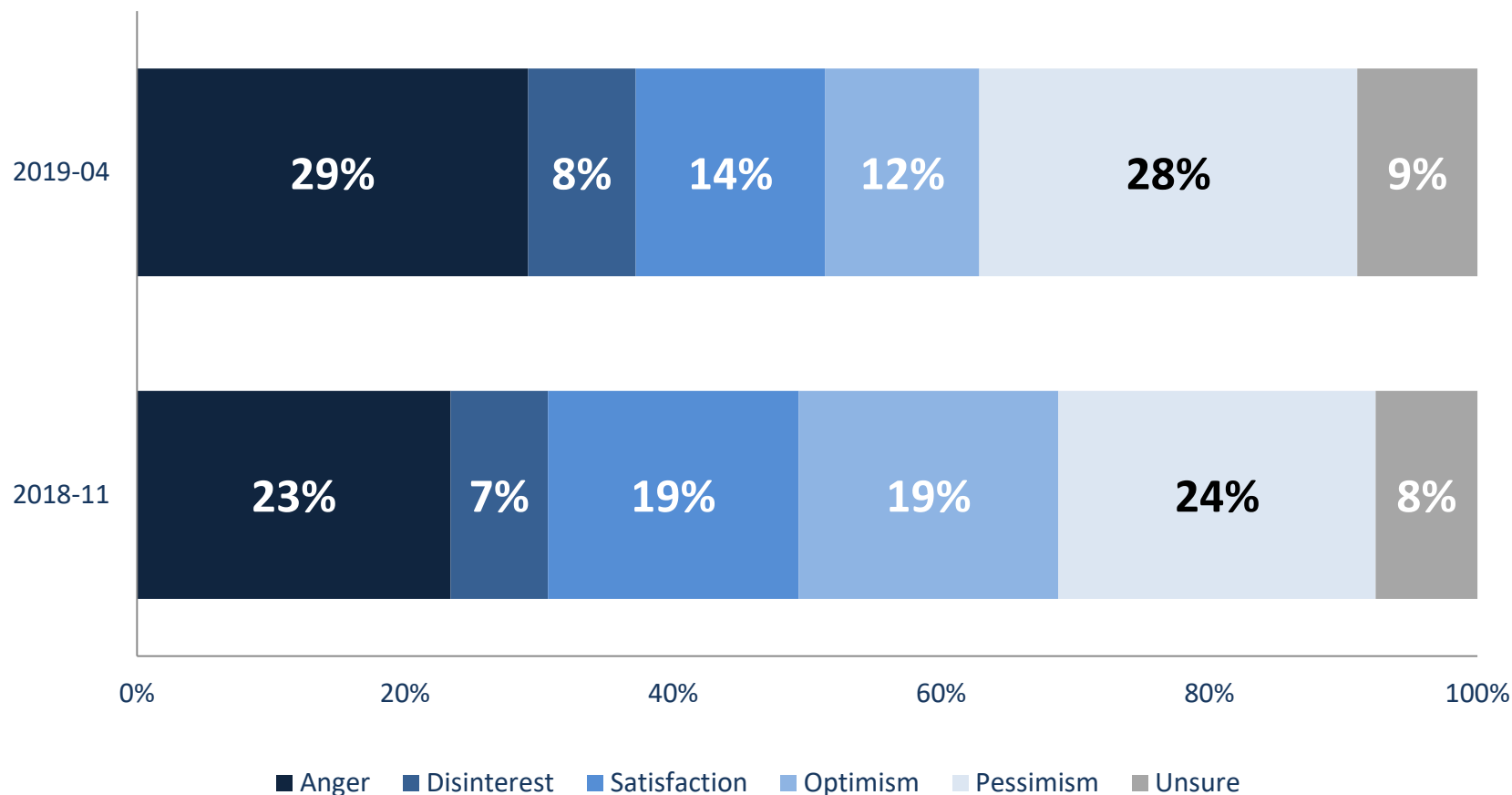
There is an increase in feelings of anger or pessimism from Canadians towards the federal government in Ottawa from October 2018. Residents of the Prairies are more likely to say anger best describes how they feel about the federal government than the rest of Canada.

- **Canadians are more than three times as likely to say anger or pessimism than disinterest best describes how they feel about the federal government** – Canadians most frequently select anger (29%; 23% in October 2018) and pessimism (28%; 24% in October 2018) when asked which feelings best describes their views of the federal government in Ottawa, followed by satisfaction (14%; 19% in October 2018), optimism (12%; 19% in October 2018), and disinterest (eight per cent). Nine per cent are unsure.
- **Residents of the Prairies and men are most likely to say anger best describes how they feel about the federal government** – Asked what word best describes their views of the federal government in Ottawa, residents of the Prairies are most likely to say anger (43%, compared to 29% of Canadians), as are men (34%, compared to 24% of women). Residents of British Columbia and Ontario are more likely to say they feel anger towards the federal government (32% each) than residents of Quebec (17%) or Atlantic Canada (19%).

The observations are based on a Nanos RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, conducted between April 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 as part of an omnibus survey. 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 and the research was conducted by Nanos Research.

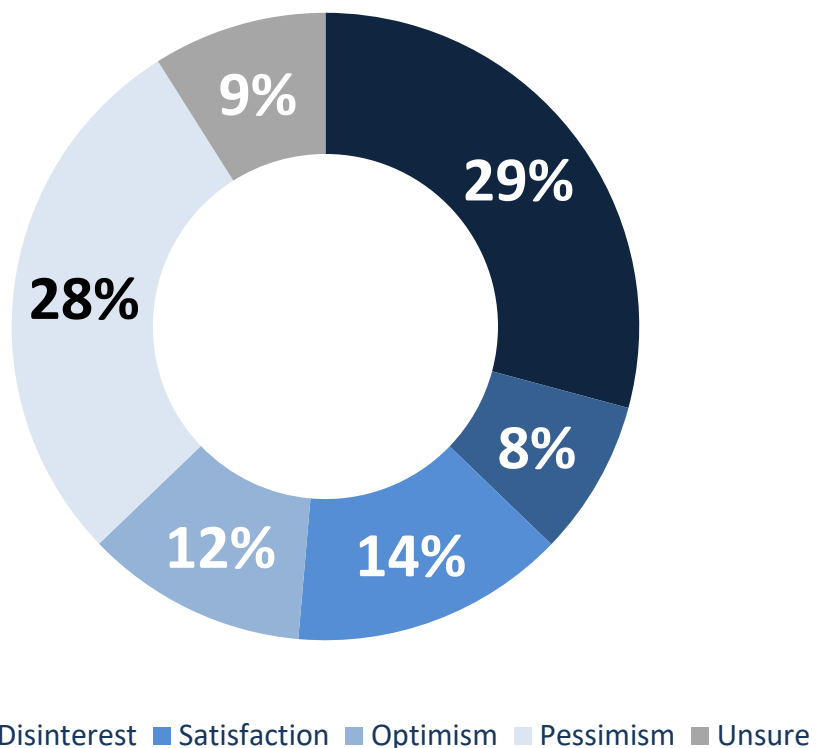
# Feelings towards the federal government in Ottawa



**QUESTION** – Which of the following feelings best describes your views of the federal government in Ottawa?  
[RANDOMIZE]

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, April 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019, n=1000, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

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	Anger
Atlantic (n=100)	18.8%
Quebec (n=250)	16.9%
Ontario (n=300)	32.2%
Prairies (n=200)	43.1%
British Columbia (n=150)	32.0%
Male (n=514)	34.4%
Female (n=486)	24.2%
18 to 34 (n=206)	26.8%
35 to 54 (n=374)	30.5%
55 plus (n=420)	29.6%

\*Weighted to the true population proportion.  
\*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

**QUESTION** – Which of the following feelings best describes your views of the federal government in Ottawa?  
[RANDOMIZE]

# Feelings towards the federal government by region

	Canada (n=1000)		Atlantic (n=100)		Quebec (n=250)		Ontario (n=300)		Prairies (n=200)		British Columbia (n=150)	
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
Anger	29.2%	23.4%	18.8%	20.6%	16.9%	19.4%	32.2%	21.9%	43.1%	37.3%	32.0%	16.4%
Pessimism	28.2%	23.7%	28.0%	13.8%	31.1%	25.4%	26.1%	20.8%	25.7%	22.4%	31.1%	34.8%
Satisfaction	14.2%	18.7%	15.1%	25.1%	15.3%	16.4%	19.4%	22.8%	7.1%	13.4%	10.6%	17.2%
Optimism	11.5%	19.4%	15.1%	18.7%	14.0%	21.5%	10.1%	22.0%	10.4%	13.3%	8.8%	19.3%
Disinterest	8.0%	7.3%	13.1%	10.9%	12.0%	7.8%	4.3%	7.3%	7.1%	6.4%	6.7%	5.0%
Unsure	9.0%	7.6%	9.8%	10.9%	10.8%	9.6%	7.8%	5.2%	6.7%	7.2%	10.8%	7.3%

**QUESTION** – Which of the following feelings best describes your views of the federal government in Ottawa?  
[RANDOMIZE]

# Views on the federal government by gender and age

	Gender						Age					
	Canada (n=1000)		Male		Female		18 to 34		35 to 54		55 plus	
	2019 (n=1000)	2018 (n=1000)	2019 (n=514)	2018 (n=549)	2019 (n=486)	2018 (n=451)	2019 (n=206)	2018 (n=237)	2019 (n=374)	2018 (n=344)	2019 (n=420)	2018 (n=419)
Anger	29.2%	23.4%	34.4%	26.7%	24.2%	20.3%	26.8%	20.5%	30.5%	26.9%	29.6%	22.4%
Pessimism	28.2%	7.3%	27.6%	27.5%	28.7%	20.0%	29.5%	27.1%	30.0%	19.3%	25.7%	25.1%
Satisfaction	14.2%	19.4%	14.1%	17.0%	14.3%	20.3%	15.7%	12.9%	12.9%	21.0%	14.2%	20.8%
Optimism	11.5%	18.7%	10.9%	16.7%	12.0%	22.0%	9.1%	23.7%	9.8%	17.1%	14.5%	18.4%
Unsure	9.0%	7.6%	5.6%	6.2%	12.2%	8.9%	8.7%	7.9%	9.0%	7.0%	9.1%	7.9%
Disinterest	8.0%	23.7%	7.5%	6.0%	8.5%	8.5%	10.1%	7.8%	7.8%	8.8%	6.8%	5.5%

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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 April 25<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. 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 were 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 research was conducted by Nanos Research.

Note: Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

**Previous wave:** On behalf of CTV News, 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 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 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 margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is  $\pm 3.1$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20.



# TECHNICAL NOTE

Element	Description
Organization who commissioned the research	CTV News
Final Sample Size	1000 Randomly selected individuals.
Margin of Error	±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.
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.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online.
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs.
Time of Calls	Individuals were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.
Field Dates	April 25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2019.
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.
Standards	This report exceeds the standards set forth by CRIC, ESOMAR and AAPOR.

Element	Description
Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure
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.
Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) 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.
Estimated Response Rate	13 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Question Content	This was module one of an omnibus survey. This is one report of two.
Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
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**2019-1421 – CTV/Nanos Survey – Federal government - STAT SHEET**

			Region						Gender		Age		
			Canada 2019-04	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Which of the following feelings best describes your views of the federal government in Ottawa? [RANDOMIZE]	Total	Unwgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	514	486	206	374	420
		Wgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	491	509	271	340	389
	Anger	%	29.2	18.8	16.9	32.2	43.1	32.0	34.4	24.2	26.8	30.5	29.6
	Disinterest	%	8.0	13.1	12.0	4.3	7.1	6.7	7.5	8.5	10.1	7.8	6.8
	Satisfaction	%	14.2	15.1	15.3	19.4	7.1	10.6	14.1	14.3	15.7	12.9	14.2
	Optimism	%	11.5	15.1	14.0	10.1	10.4	8.8	10.9	12.0	9.1	9.8	14.5
	Pessimism	%	28.2	28.0	31.1	26.1	25.7	31.1	27.6	28.7	29.5	30.0	25.7
	Unsure	%	9.0	9.8	10.8	7.8	6.7	10.8	5.6	12.2	8.7	9.0	9.1

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