Mood of Canada turns sour – Canadians who say country moving in the wrong direction up 13 percentage points compared to previous year.

National Survey – 15 YEAR TRACKING STUDY | Summary Conducted by Nanos Research, January 2022 Submission 2021-2046



# **Key Findings**









#### **RIGHT TRACK**

Although Canadians are split on whether Canada is heading in the right direction (43%) or the wrong direction (40%), there was a significant 13 percentage points increase in those that say it is headed in the wrong direction compared to 2020 (27%).

#### FEDERAL PERFORMANCE

Canadians are more likely to describe the current government's performance as very poor (26%) or somewhat good (17%), an increase from 2020 (18% very poor; 13% somewhat poor).

#### INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION

Views on Canada's international reputation is that it has not improved over the past year (25% not improved; 20% somewhat not improved) which is not only an increase of negative views from the previous year (15% not improved; 11% somewhat not improved) but also a seven-year high.

#### **FED-PROV RELATIONS**

Canadians are much less likely to say they feel relations between the federal government and provincial governments have improved (4%) or somewhat improved (21%) compared to 2020 (10% improved, 30% somewhat improved).

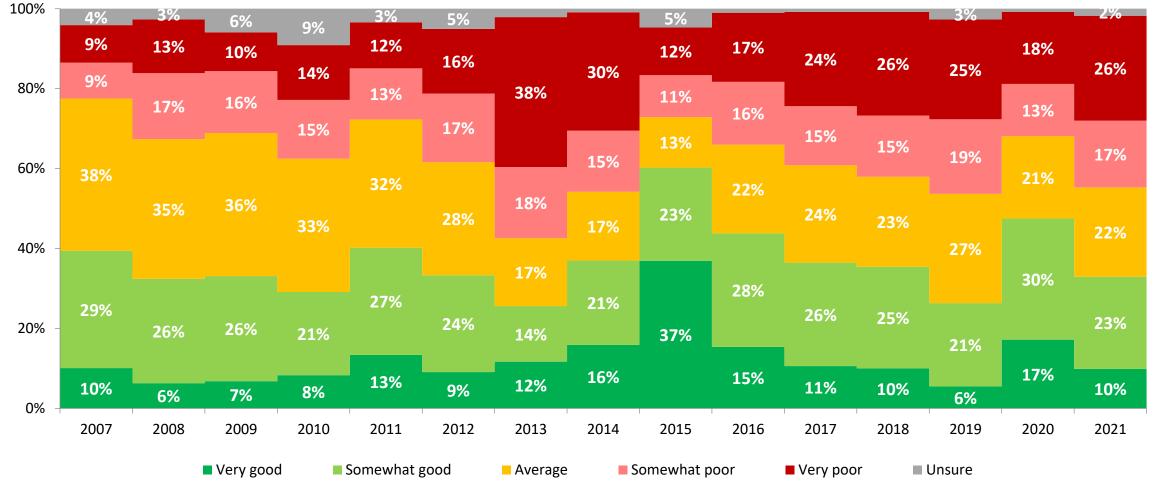


After an increase in 2020, 2021 sees a decrease in positive views of the current Federal Liberal Government led by Justin Trudeau with the proportion of those saying the current government's performance is very good dropping seven percentage points. Residents of the Prairies and younger Canadians are more likely to give a negative rating.

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Would you describe the performance of the current Federal Liberal Government led by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau as very good, somewhat good, average, somewhat poor or very poor?

Would you describe the performance of the current Federal Conservative Government led by Prime Minister Stephen Harper as very good, somewhat good, average, somewhat poor or very poor? (2007-2014 waves)



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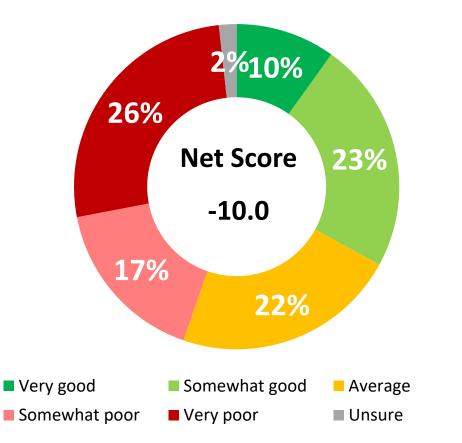
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Would you describe the performance of the current Federal Liberal Government led by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau as very good, somewhat good, average, somewhat poor or very poor?



Canadians are close to three times
more likely to say the performance of
the current Federal Liberal Government
led by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is
very poor (26%) rather than very good
(10%), an increase from the 2020 wave
(17% very good; 18% very poor).

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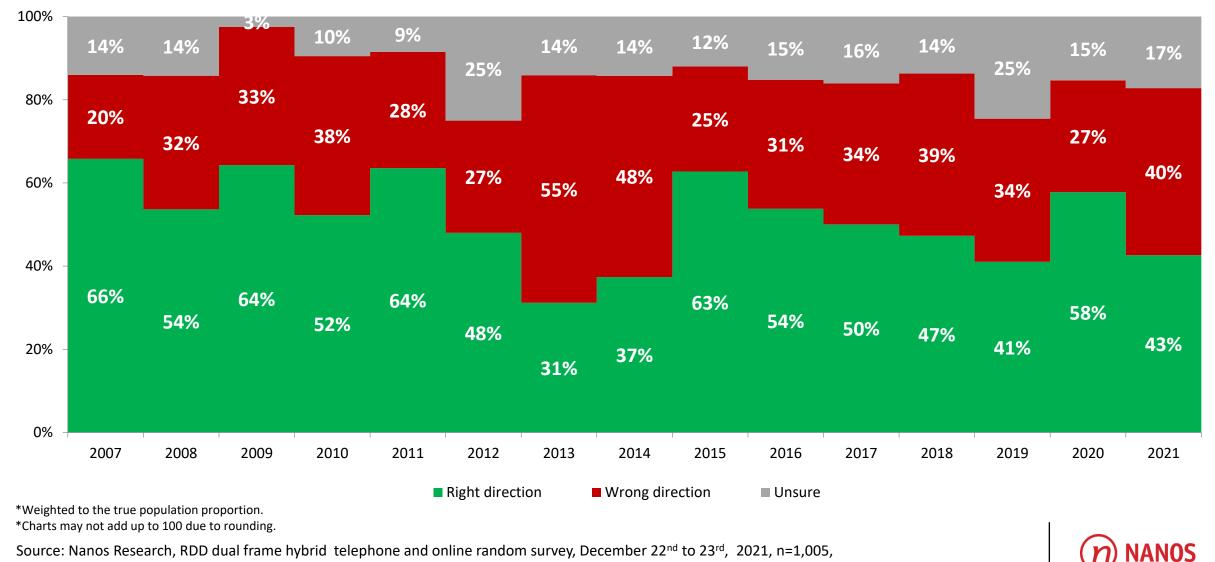
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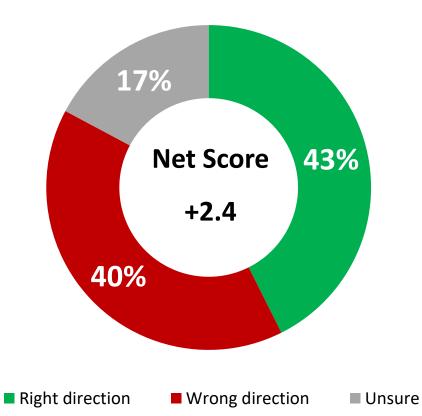
	Atlantic (n=89)	Quebec (n=230)	Ontario (n=350)	Prairies (n=192)	BC (n=144)	Men (n=526)	Women (n=479)	18 to 34 (n=167)	35 to 54 (n=418)	55 plus (n=420)
Very Good	14.9%	8.3%	11.4%	4.9%	12.5%	8.5%	11.2%	6.3%	8.8%	13.5%
Somewhat good	31.1%	25.6%	24.8%	15.3%	20.2%	21.2%	24.9%	19.8%	23.9%	24.6%
Average	16.8%	33.4%	19.7%	16.4%	21.7%	22.2%	22.5%	22.3%	24.2%	20.7%
Somewhat poor	17.5%	16.4%	17.5%	16.9%	14.2%	18.4%	15.0%	17.5%	15.0%	17.6%
Very poor	16.5%	14.5%	25.5%	44.8%	28.4%	28.2%	24.3%	31.1%	26.2%	22.8%
Unsure	3.2%	1.7%	1.2%	1.7%	3.0%	1.5%	2.0%	3.0%	1.9%	0.7%

There has been an increase of 13 percentage points in the proportion of those saying that Canada as a country is moving in the wrong direction compared to 2020. Young Canadians (18-34) are more likely to say Canada is moving in the wrong direction (48%) compared to those 35 to 54 (38%) and 55 plus (36%).



Would you say that Canada as a country is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?





Would you say that Canada as a country is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

Canadians are split over whether Canada
as a country is headed in the right
direction (40%) or the wrong direction
(43%). The proportion of Canadians who
say Canada is moving in the wrong
direction saw an increase of 13
percentage points from 2020 (27%).

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Would you say that Canada as a country is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

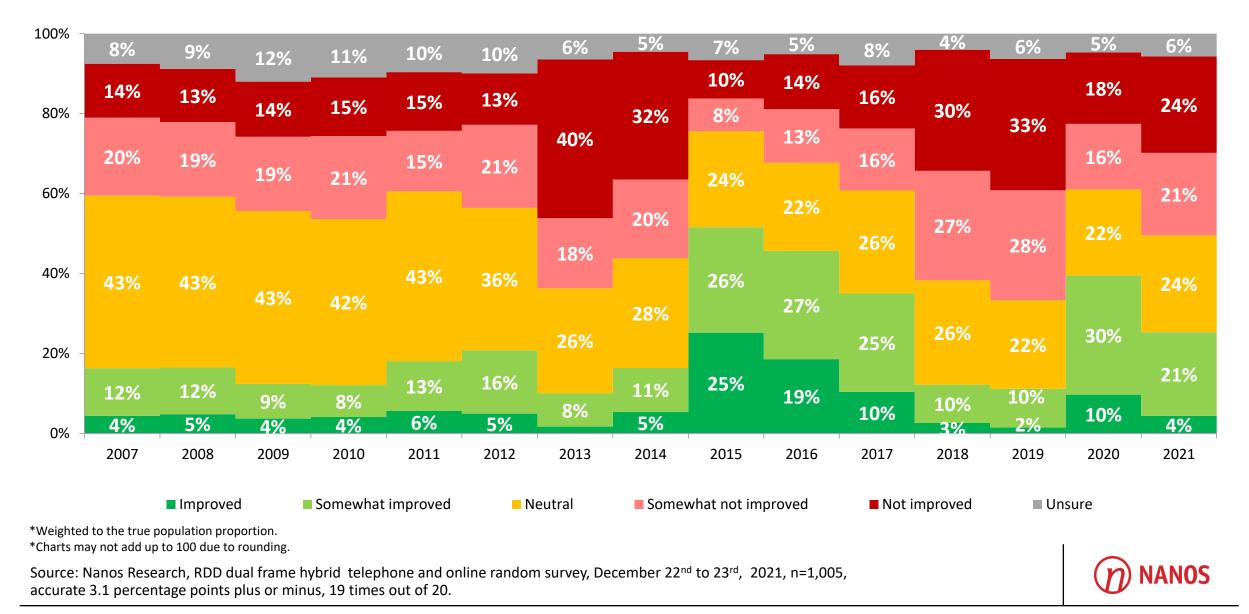
	Atlantic (n=89)	Quebec (n=230)	Ontario (n=350)	Prairies (n=192)	BC (n=144)	Men (n=526)	Women (n=479)	18 to 34 (n=167)	35 to 54 (n=418)	55 plus (n=420)
Right direction	43.2%	45.1%	46.9%	25.6%	49.0%	41.1%	44.0%	33.3%	43.9%	48.0%
Wrong direction	31.8%	32.3%	39.5%	59.5%	33.7%	44.5%	36.0%	48.2%	38.2%	36.3%
Unsure	25.1%	22.7%	13.6%	14.9%	17.4%	14.3%	20.0%	18.5%	17.9%	15.7%



Compared to the previous year, there was a drop in the proportion of those who say the relationship between the federal and provincial governments has improved (decrease of six percentage points from 2020) or somewhat improved (decrease of nine percentage points from 2020). Residents of the Prairies are most likely to say relations have not improved (49%), compared to the national average (24%).



On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate the relationship between the federal government and the provincial governments over the past year?

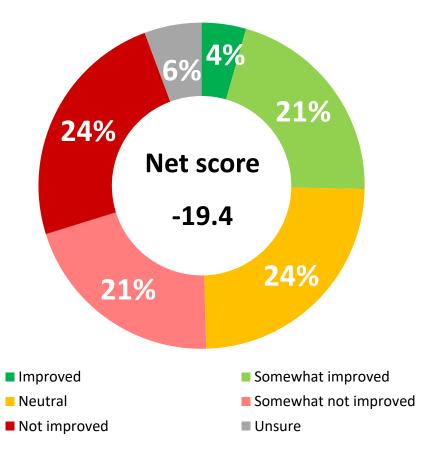


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On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate the relationship between the federal government and the provincial governments over the past year?

One in four Canadians say the relationship between the federal government and the provincial governments has improved (4%) or somewhat improved (21%) while over one in four say it has not improved (24%) or somewhat not improved (21%) over the past year



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On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate the relationship between the federal government and the provincial governments over the past year?

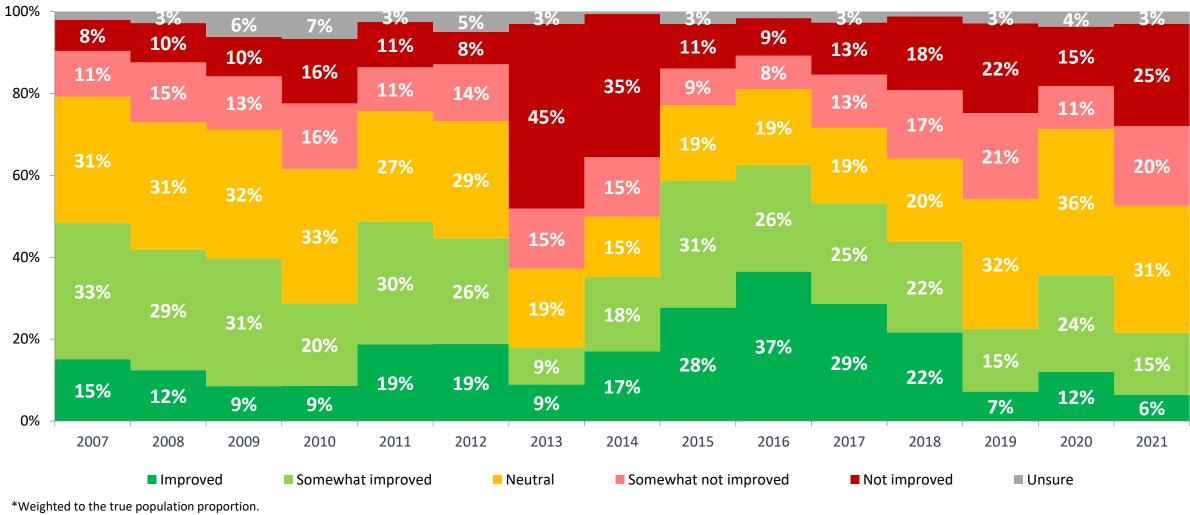
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Improved	8.7%	4.7%	4.7%	0.7%	5.9%	4.5%	4.3%	2.5%	4.1%	6.0%
Somewhat improved	32.4%	15.4%	27.5%	8.2%	23.3%	21.4%	20.5%	13.3%	22.0%	25.4%
Neutral	24.6%	26.1%	24.2%	16.7%	31.1%	28.2%	20.4%	23.2%	25.2%	24.0%
Somewhat not improved	18.0%	27.1%	18.5%	23.0%	13.5%	19.8%	21.5%	27.8%	19.0%	17.1%
Not improved	10.9%	19.3%	19.7%	49.1%	17.7%	23.2%	25.0%	23.5%	24.5%	24.2%
Unsure	5.4%	7.4%	5.3%	2.3%	8.4%	2.9%	8.3%	9.6%	5.2%	3.3%



Canadians are two times less likely to say Canada's international reputation has improved (6%), compared to 2021 (12%), with Canadians most likely to say the reputation has somewhat not improved (20%; 11% in 2020) or not improved (25%; 15% in 2020).



On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate Canada's reputation around the world over the past year?



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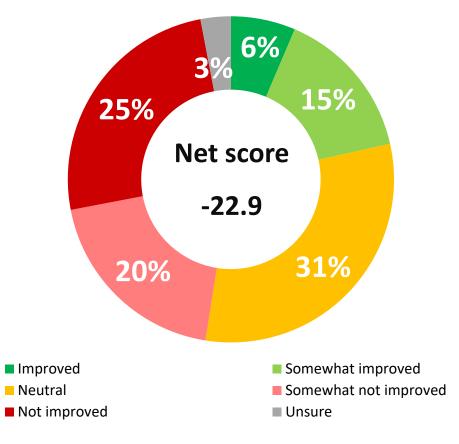
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On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate Canada's reputation around the world over the past year?



Canadians are four times more likely to say Canada's reputation around the world has not improved (25%) rather than improved (6%) in the past year.

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On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved and 5 is improved, how would you rate Canada's reputation around the world over the past year?

	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	BC	Men	Women	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
	(n=89)	(n=230)	(n=350)	(n=192)	(n=144)	(n=526)	(n=479)	(n=167)	(n=418)	(n=420)
Improved	12.9%	5.3%	8.5%	3.1%	3.5%	6.1%	6.8%	5.1%	6.4%	7.4%
Somewhat improved	17.0%	12.2%	16.1%	11.1%	22.0%	15.7%	14.6%	10.9%	17.5%	16.0%
Neutral	33.8%	36.4%	30.2%	24.6%	31.6%	28.7%	33.3%	30.8%	32.5%	29.9%
Somewhat not improved	20.4%	21.9%	18.8%	21.7%	13.8%	21.6%	17.4%	19.1%	16.0%	22.8%
Not improved	12.1%	20.1%	23.5%	38.3%	25.9%	26.1%	23.9%	29.5%	25.3%	21.5%
Unsure	3.8%	4.1%	2.9%	1.2%	3.1%	1.8%	4.1%	4.6%	2.3%	2.4%

# PATH FURWARD!

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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and celllines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,005 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between December 22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 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 dialing with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for a random survey of 1,005 Canadians is  $\pm 3.1$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

The research was conducted by Nanos Research.

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Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,048 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between December 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 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.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,010 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<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.

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 30<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as part of an omnibus survey. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20. This study is a joint initiative between Nanos Research and the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians between December 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as part of an omnibus survey. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20. This study is a joint initiative between Nanos and the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians between December 16<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as part of an omnibus survey. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.The research was conducted for the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

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National Nanos RDD Crowdsource random survey of 1,000 Canadians conducted between December 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as part of an omnibus survey. The margin of error for a random survey of 1,000 Canadians is ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

Element	Description	Element	Description
Research sponsor	Nanos Research	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
Population and Final Sample Size	1,005 Randomly selected individuals.		distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure
Source of Sample	Nanos Probability Panel	Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political
Type of Sample	Probability	ooreening	party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data.
Margin of Error	$\pm 3.1$ percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Excluded	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines,
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and	Demographics	and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Sampling Method Base	online omnibus survey The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.	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.
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	15 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs to those recruited.	Questien Content	Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: views on
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.	Question Content	political issues, views on economic issues, personal finances, COVID-19 restrictions and traveling plans, and views on interest rates.
Field Dates	December 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2021	Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.	Research/Data	Nanos Research
Standards	Nanos Research is a member of the Canadian Research Insights Council (CRIC) and confirms that this research fully complies with all CRIC Standards including the CRIC Public Opinion Research Standards and Disclosure Requirements. <u>https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/</u>	Collection Supplier Contact	Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. <u>http://www.nanos.co</u> Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com.



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#### 2021-2046 - Nanos - Mood of Canada - STAT SHEET

					Reg	ion			Gen	der		Age	
			Canada 2021-12	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Would you describe the performance of	Total	Unwgt N	1005	89	230	350	192	144	526	479	167	418	420
the current Federal Liberal Government led by Prime		Wgt N	1000	67	233	384	183	133	490	510	273	341	386
Minister Justin Trudeau as very good, somewhat good,	Very good	%	9.9	14.9	8.3	11.4	4.9	12.5	8.5	11.2	6.3	8.8	13.5
average, somewhat poor or very poor?	Somewhat good	%	23.1	31.1	25.6	24.8	15.3	20.2	21.2	24.9	19.8	23.9	24.6
	Average	%	22.4	16.8	33.4	19.7	16.4	21.7	22.2	22.5	22.3	24.2	20.7
	Somewhat poor	%	16.7	17.5	16.4	17.5	16.9	14.2	18.4	15.0	17.5	15.0	17.6
	Very poor	%	26.2	16.5	14.5	25.5	44.8	28.4	28.2	24.3	31.1	26.2	22.8
	Undecided/unsure	%	1.8	3.2	1.7	1.2	1.7	3.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	1.9	0.7

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			Canada 2021-12	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 plus
Question - Would you say that Canada as a country is	Total	Unwgt N	1005	89	230	350	192	144	526	479	167	418	420
moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?		Wgt N	1000	67	233	384	183	133	490	510	273	341	386
C C	Right direction	%	42.6	43.2	45.1	46.9	25.6	49.0	41.1	44.0	33.3	43.9	48.0
	Wrong direction	%	40.2	31.8	32.3	39.5	59.5	33.7	44.5	36.0	48.2	38.2	36.3
	Unsure	%	17.2	25.1	22.7	13.6	14.9	17.4	14.3	20.0	18.5	17.9	15.7

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Question – On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not improved	Total	Unwgt N	1005	89	230	350	192	144	526	479	167	418	420
and 5 is improved, how would you rate the relationship		Wgt N	1000	67	233	384	183	133	490	510	273	341	386
between the federal government and the	Not improved	%	24.1	10.9	19.3	19.7	49.1	17.7	23.2	25.0	23.5	24.5	24.2
provincial governments over the past year?	Somewhat not improved	%	20.7	18.0	27.1	18.5	23.0	13.5	19.8	21.5	27.8	19.0	17.1
	Neutral	%	24.2	24.6	26.1	24.2	16.7	31.1	28.2	20.4	23.2	25.2	24.0
	Somewhat improved	%	20.9	32.4	15.4	27.5	8.2	23.3	21.4	20.5	13.3	22.0	25.4
	Improved	%	4.4	8.7	4.7	4.7	0.7	5.9	4.5	4.3	2.5	4.1	6.0
	Unsure/Undecided	%	5.7	5.4	7.4	5.3	2.3	8.4	2.9	8.3	9.6	5.2	3.3

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and 5 is improved, how would you rate Canada's reputation		Wgt N	1000	67	233	384	183	133	490	510	273	341	386
around the world over the past year?	Not improved	%	25.0	12.1	20.1	23.5	38.3	25.9	26.1	23.9	29.5	25.3	21.5
. ,	Somewhat not improved	%	19.5	20.4	21.9	18.8	21.7	13.8	21.6	17.4	19.1	16.0	22.8
	Neutral	%	31.0	33.8	36.4	30.2	24.6	31.6	28.7	33.3	30.8	32.5	29.9
	Somewhat improved	%	15.1	17.0	12.2	16.1	11.1	22.0	15.7	14.6	10.9	17.5	16.0
	Improved	%	6.4	12.9	5.3	8.5	3.1	3.5	6.1	6.8	5.1	6.4	7.4
	Unsure/Undecided	%	3.0	3.8	4.1	2.9	1.2	3.1	1.8	4.1	4.6	2.3	2.4

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