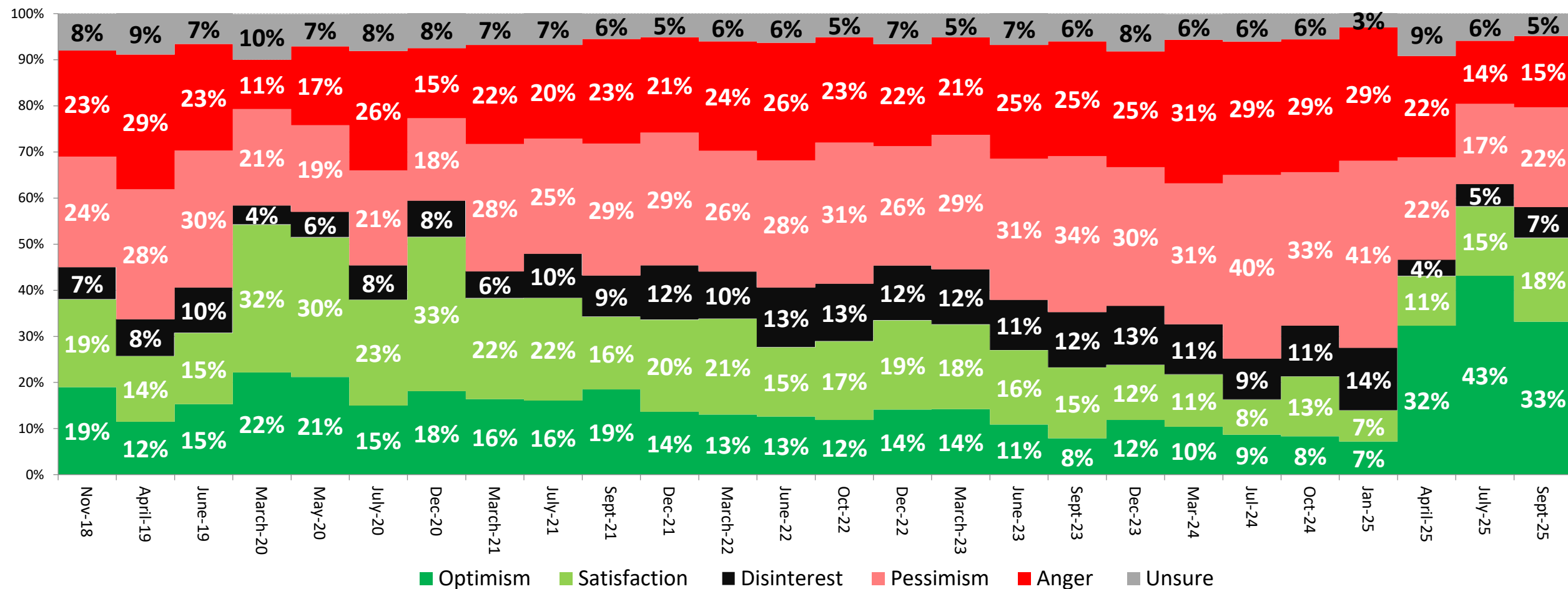
A background image showing four people sitting in a row, each holding up a large circular emoji cutout in front of their face. From left to right, the emojis are: a yellow 'surprised' face, a green 'sweating' face, an orange 'angry' face, and a yellow 'zany' face. The people are wearing casual clothing like t-shirts and jeans.

Feelings of optimism toward the federal government are declining, though they remain higher than they were prior to July 2025.

Feelings towards the federal government – Tracking

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



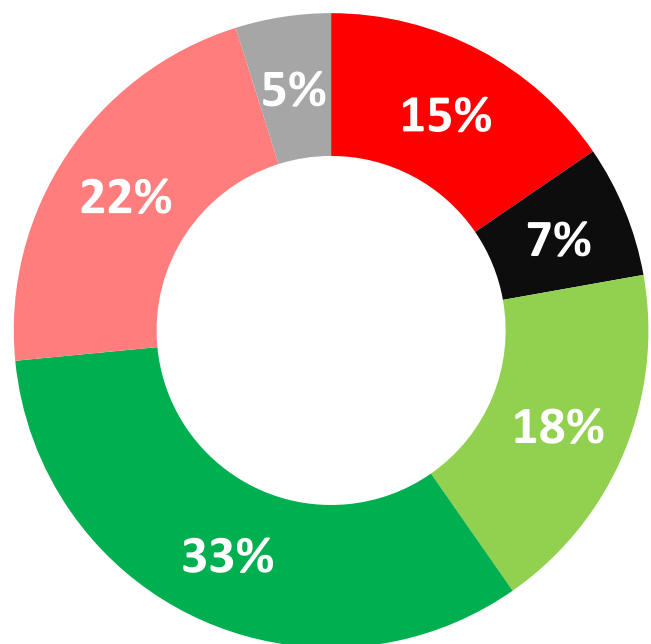
*Weighted to the true population proportion.

*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, September 29th to October 1st, 2025, n=1,052, accurate 3.0 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



Feelings towards the federal government



■ Anger ■ Disinterest ■ Satisfaction
■ Optimism ■ Pessimism ■ Unsure

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Q

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

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One in three Canadians say optimism (33%) is the feeling that best describes their view of the federal government, which represents a 10-point decrease compared to the previous wave (43% in July 2025). About one in five Canadians each say pessimism (22%) and satisfaction (18%) best describe their views toward the federal government, and over one in ten (15%) describe their feelings as anger. Canadians aged over 55 are more likely to feel optimistic (41%) than those aged 18 to 34 (26%) and 35 to 54 (30%). Residents of Quebec (26%) are also significantly less likely to be optimistic than residents of Atlantic (49%).

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Feelings towards the federal government by region

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

	Canada			Atlantic			Quebec			Ontario			Prairies			British Columbia		
	2025-10 (n=1052)	2025-07 (n=1047)	2025-04 (n=1054)	2025-10 (n=106)	2025-07 (n=105)	2025-04 (n=92)	2025-10 (n=206)	2025-07 (n=220)	2025-04 (n=233)	2025-10 (n=360)	2025-07 (n=352)	2025-04 (n=356)	2025-10 (n=218)	2025-07 (n=214)	2025-04 (n=213)	2025-10 (n=162)	2025-07 (n=156)	2025-04 (n=160)
Optimism	33.2%	43.1%	32.3%	48.6%	55.8%	29.9%	25.7%	44.4%	33.1%	35.2%	43.3%	36.3%	32.0%	35.3%	21.9%	34.0%	44.6%	34.0%
Pessimism	21.7%	17.4%	22.2%	15.4%	9.7%	12.9%	20.0%	14.2%	23.5%	23.0%	18.9%	21.9%	24.6%	23.5%	26.4%	20.0%	14.5%	20.2%
Satisfaction	18.1%	15.0%	22.0%	12.7%	14.2%	22.0%	23.8%	17.8%	12.7%	17.2%	13.7%	19.0%	13.5%	9.2%	34.8%	19.6%	21.8%	29.7%
Anger	15.5%	13.7%	10.7%	13.7%	7.8%	13.0%	15.3%	7.0%	13.0%	11.2%	14.3%	10.7%	24.9%	22.3%	9.1%	16.5%	14.8%	7.9%
Disinterest	6.7%	4.9%	3.6%	2.7%	5.4%	5.7%	10.2%	9.3%	7.1%	7.9%	3.6%	1.7%	2.5%	4.3%	3.2%	5.1%	1.5%	2.5%
Unsure	4.9%	5.9%	9.2%	7.0%	7.1%	16.4%	5.0%	7.4%	10.6%	5.4%	6.2%	10.3%	2.6%	5.4%	4.7%	4.8%	2.8%	5.8%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, September 29th to October 1st, 2025, n=1,052, accurate 3.0 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



Feelings towards the federal government by gender and age

Q

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

	Canada			Male			Female			18 to 34			35 to 54			55 plus		
	2025-10 (n=1052)	2025-07 (n=1047)	2025-04 (n=1054)	2025-10 (n=557)	2025-07 (n=544)	2025-04 (n=550)	2025-10 (n=495)	2025-07 (n=499)	2025-04 (n=504)	2025-10 (n=154)	2025-07 (n=159)	2025-04 (n=178)	2025-10 (n=416)	2025-07 (n=390)	2025-04 (n=362)	2025-10 (n=482)	2025-07 (n=498)	2025-04 (n=514)
Optimism	33.2%	43.1%	32.3%	31.1%	40.3%	26.5%	35.2%	45.8%	37.9%	25.6%	30.8%	26.4%	29.5%	44.6%	31.4%	41.0%	50.0%	36.8%
Pessimism	21.7%	17.4%	22.2%	26.5%	18.3%	24.4%	17.0%	16.3%	20.1%	27.4%	22.5%	28.6%	23.6%	16.3%	19.5%	16.4%	15.0%	20.2%
Satisfaction	18.1%	15.0%	22.0%	16.5%	15.5%	27.9%	19.6%	14.6%	16.3%	14.4%	14.2%	23.2%	16.8%	12.8%	25.5%	21.5%	17.3%	18.5%
Anger	15.5%	13.7%	10.7%	17.3%	17.3%	10.5%	13.7%	10.3%	10.9%	13.2%	18.0%	7.6%	18.7%	13.8%	11.4%	14.4%	10.8%	12.1%
Disinterest	6.7%	4.9%	3.6%	5.5%	4.0%	3.6%	7.9%	5.7%	3.6%	11.5%	7.8%	6.3%	6.3%	4.6%	3.6%	4.0%	3.1%	1.8%
Unsure	4.9%	5.9%	9.2%	3.1%	4.5%	7.1%	6.6%	7.3%	11.2%	7.8%	6.8%	7.9%	5.1%	7.9%	8.7%	2.7%	3.8%	10.4%

Source: Nanos Research, RDD dual frame hybrid telephone and online random survey, September 29th to October 1st, 2025, n=1,052, accurate 3.0 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.



Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,052 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between September 29th and October 1st, 2025, 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 dialing with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for this survey is ± 3.0 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

This study was commissioned and conducted by Nanos Research.

[Full data tables with weighted and unweighted number of interviews are here.](#)

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Element	Description
Research sponsor	Nanos Research
Population and Final Sample Size	1,052 Randomly selected individuals.
Source of Sample	Nanos Probability Panel
Type of Sample	Probability
Margin of Error	±3.0 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 to those recruited.
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.
Field Dates	September 29 th to October 1 st , 2025.
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.
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. https://canadianresearchinsightscouncil.ca/standards/

Element	Description
Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) 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 (2021) 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	12 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	Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: views on political issues, views on economic issues, views on relationship with the US, COVID-19 vaccines, homeless encampments, public servants, Palestine, the notwithstanding clause, and electric vehicles.
Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research
Contact	Contact Nanos Research for more information or with any concerns or questions. http://www.nanos.co Telephone:(613) 234-4666 ext. 237 Email: info@nanosresearch.com .
Data Tables	By region, gender and age.



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