

Progressive voters want action on methane and wildfires.

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Nanos conducted a representative online survey of 1015 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between October 23rd and 28th, 2025. The sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada.

A margin of error cannot be calculated on a non-probability sample. For comparison purposes, a probability sample of 1015 respondents would have a margin of error of ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

The research was commissioned by the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment and was conducted by Nanos Research.

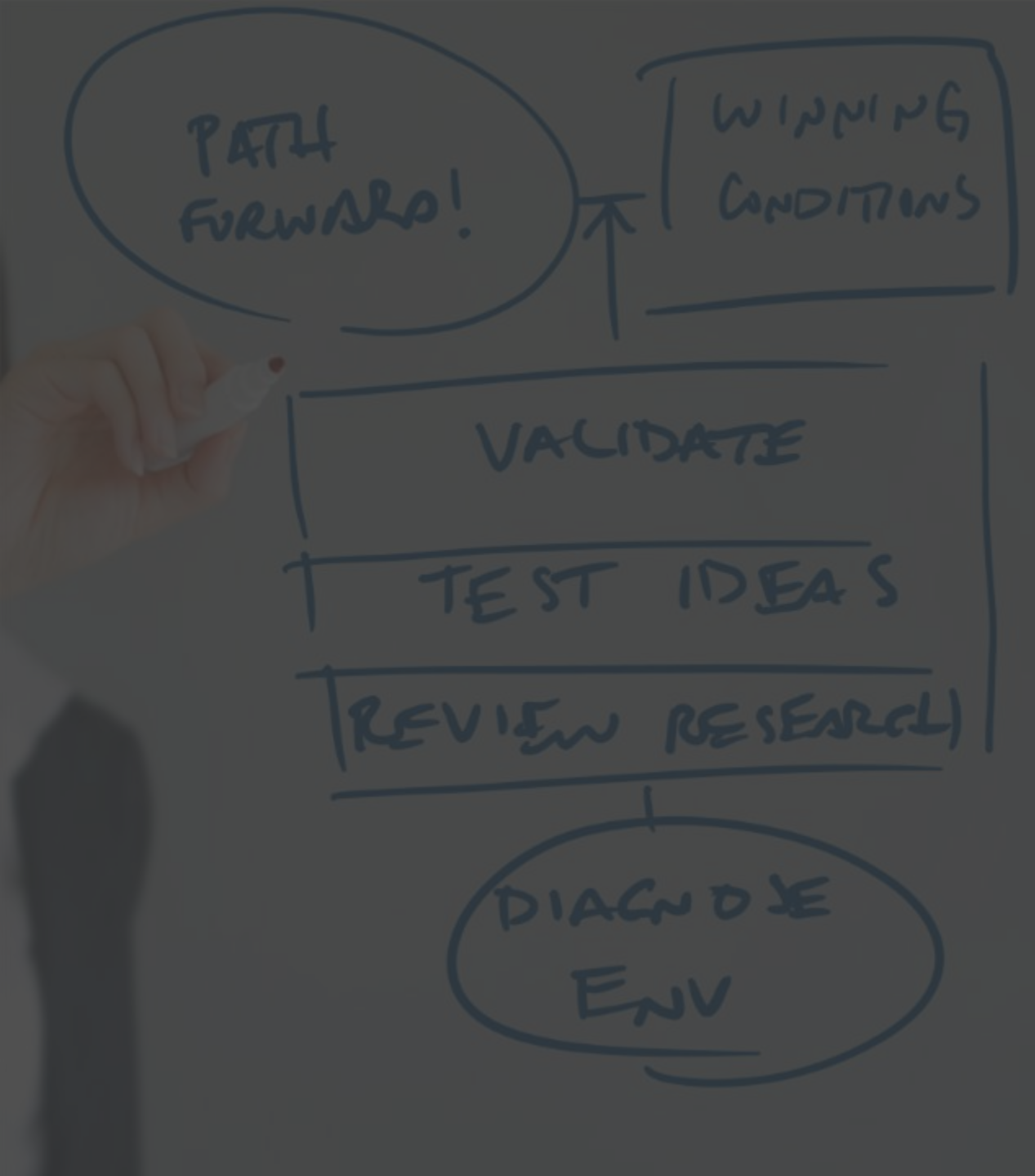
For the details related to the methodology please refer to the Technical Note at the end of the report.

Full data tables with weighted and unweighted number of interviews are here :

[2025-2023 CAPE Tables - formatted](#)

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



Respondent personas were created by Nanos to help understand the perceptions of progressives

People who consider voting BOTH NDP and Liberal (n=250)

When asked “For each of the following federal political parties, would you consider or not consider voting for them? Respondents answered they would consider voting for BOTH the NDP and the Liberals.

24.6%

of Canadians

People who are progressive and voted Liberal (n=355)

When asked to place themselves on a scale from 0 to 10 where 0 means left and 10 means right (0-7 progressives) and (8-10 others), and they voted for the Liberals in the federal election.

34.5%

of Canadians

*Note : The personas are based on their natural incidence.

1

Canadians want action on climate

A majority of Canadians want action on climate, and specifically on reducing oil and gas methane emissions.

2

Climate change as a priority for Canadians and progressives

Looking at climate change as a priority for Canadians, those who view it as “Important” outnumber those who view it as “Not important” by more than seven to one (65.4% to 8.5%). Among Liberal/NDP swing voters (those who would consider voting for both parties), the margin is 45 to one, with 76.5% viewing climate change as “important” compared to 1.7% viewing it as “not important”.

3

Urgency that governments act on climate change

When asked about the need to act to reduce health risks of climate change, 75.2% of Canadians view this as an urgent or somewhat urgent priority, versus 18.3% who consider it not urgent or somewhat not urgent – a gap of more than four to one. When looking at Liberal-NDP swing voters, the gap jumps to nearly 17 to one (89.4% vs. 5.3%).

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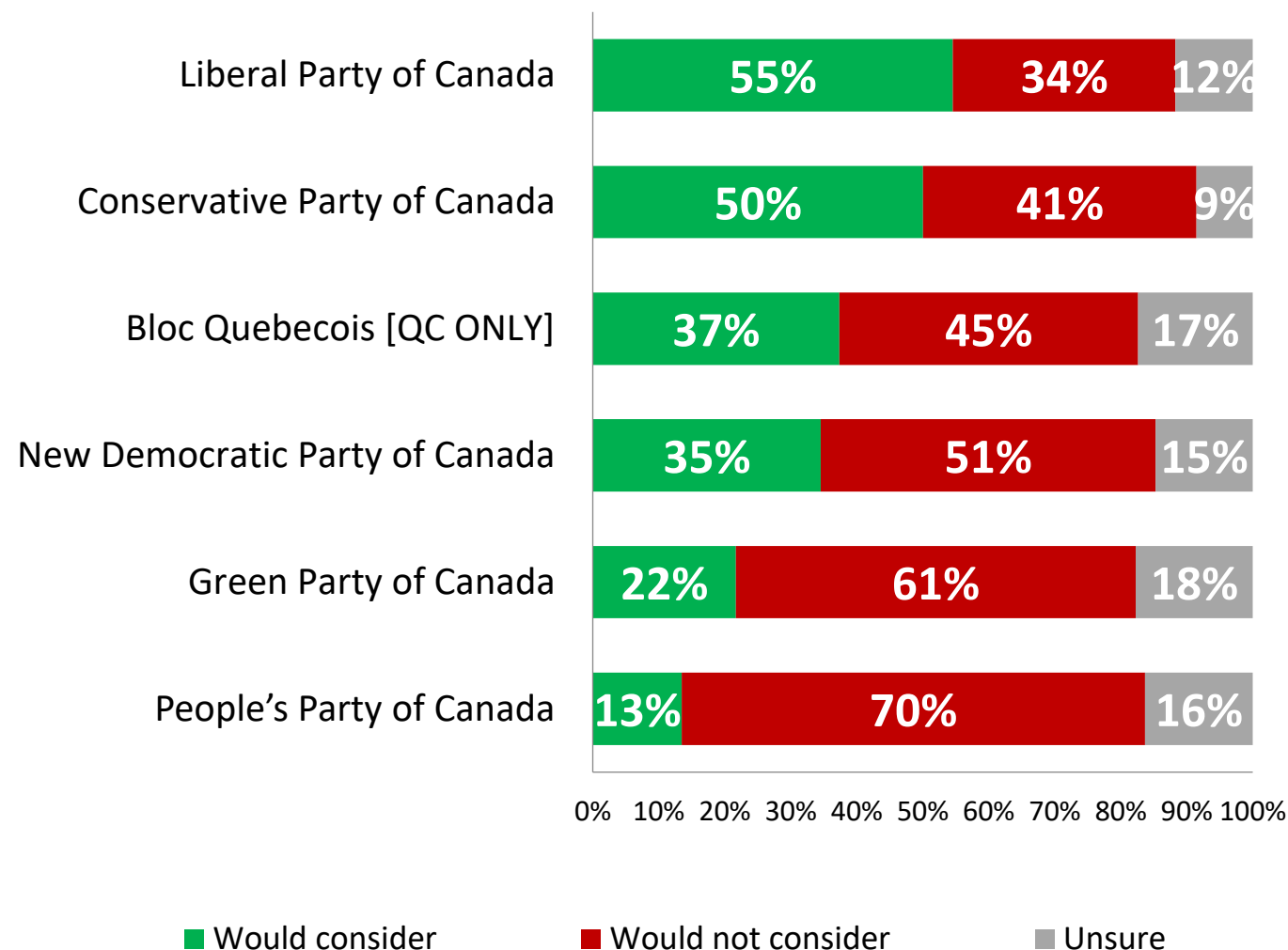
A majority of Canadians support methane regulation

Those supportive of methane regulation (64.5%) are more than quadruple those who are opposed (15.3%). Nationally, among NDP/Liberal swing voters, those supportive of methane regulation (78.5%) outnumber those who are unsupportive (7.4%) by a margin of more than 10 to one.

Fifty-five percent of Canadians say they would consider voting for the Liberal Party, while 35 percent say they would consider voting for the New Democrats. Twenty-two percent of Canadians say they would consider voting for the Green Party.

Q – For each of the following federal political parties, would you consider or not consider voting for them? [ROTATE]

Vote consideration of political parties

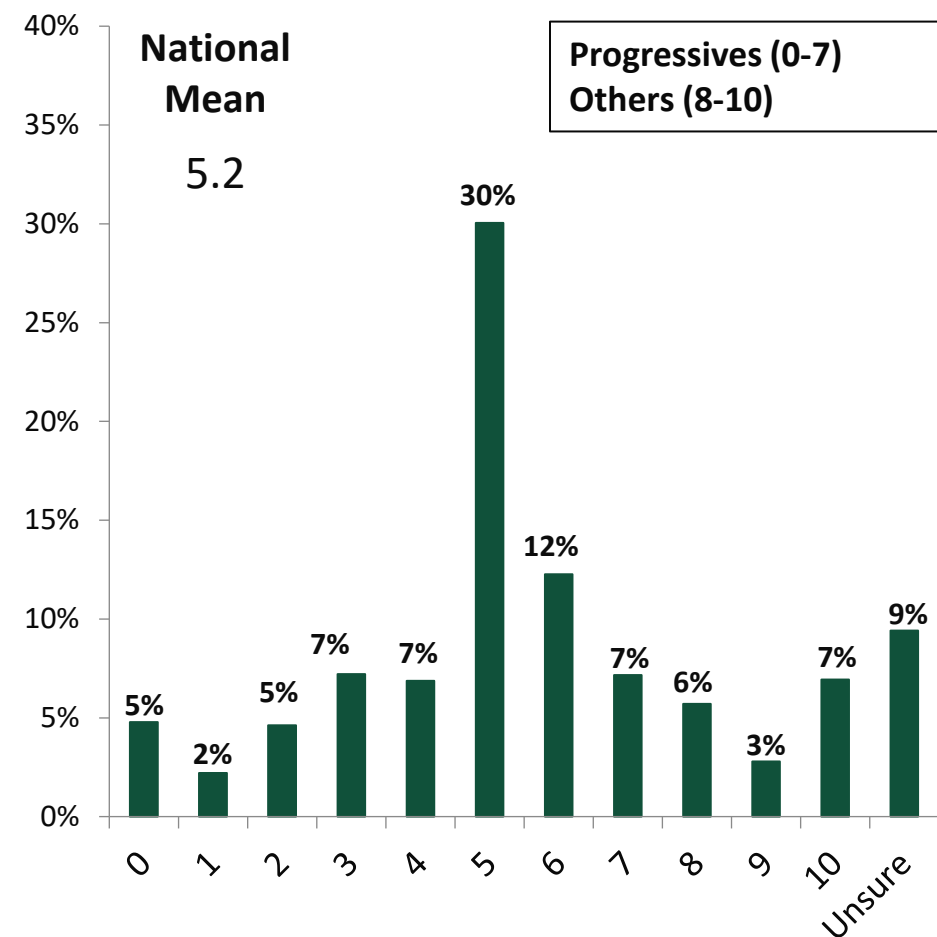


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Political views scale



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Mean	Atlantic (n=83)	Quebec (n=258)	905 (n=98)	Rest of Ontario (n=222)	Prairies (n=200)
	4.9	5.2	5.4	5.2	5.7
	Lower Mainland in BC (n=94)	Rest of BC (n=60)	Men (n=484)	Women (n=529)	
	5.3	4.5	5.6	4.9	
	18-34 (n=200)	35-54 (n=377)	55 plus (n=438)	People who consider voting BOTH Liberal and NDP (n=250)	People who are progressive and voted Liberal (n=355)
	5.3	5.4	5.1	4.3	4.0

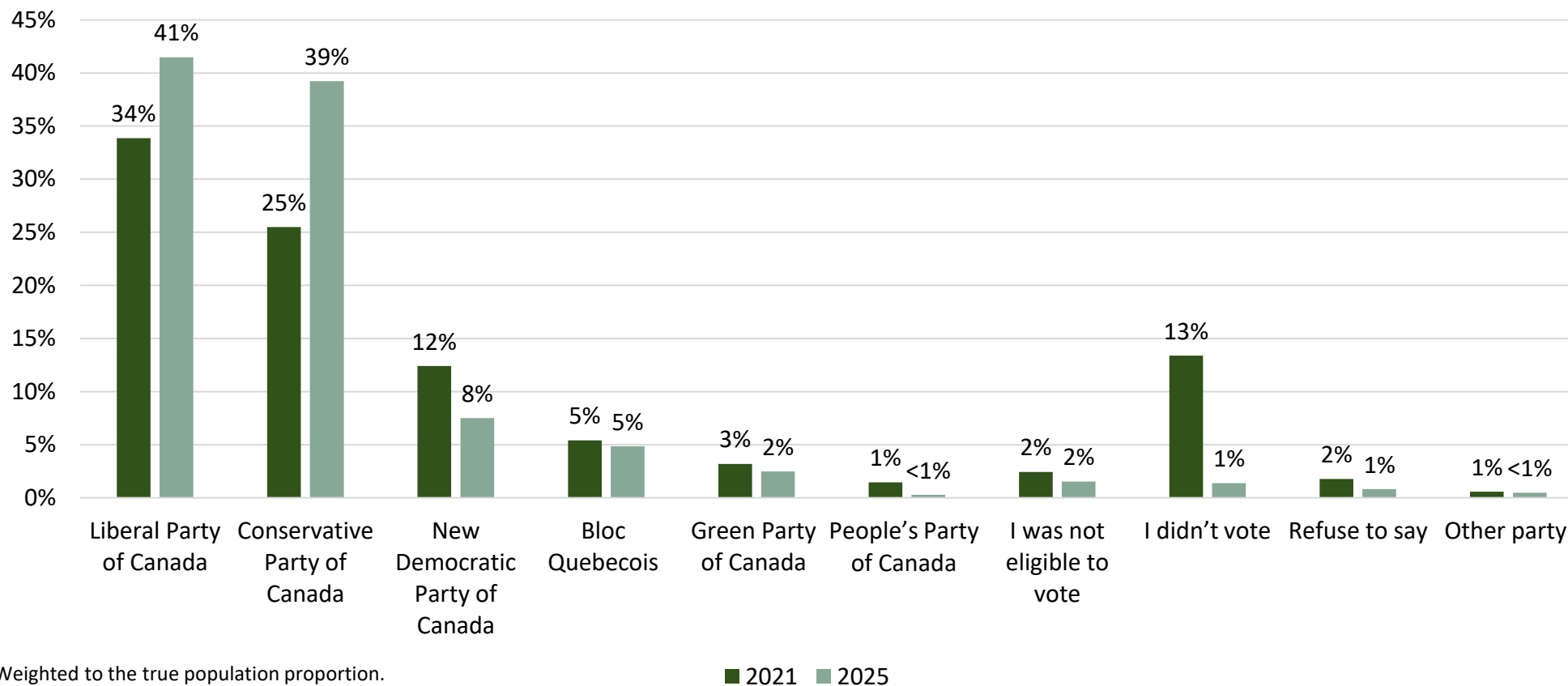
Q – In politics people sometimes talk of left and right. In terms of your political views, where would you place yourself on a scale where 0 means left and 10 means right?

Source: Nanos Research, representative online survey, October 23rd to 28th, 2025, n=1015. No margin of error applies.

Vote for federal party this year

Q – In the federal election earlier this year which federal party did you vote for locally? [RANDOMIZE]

Q – In the previous federal election back in 2021, which federal party did you vote for locally? [RANDOMIZE]



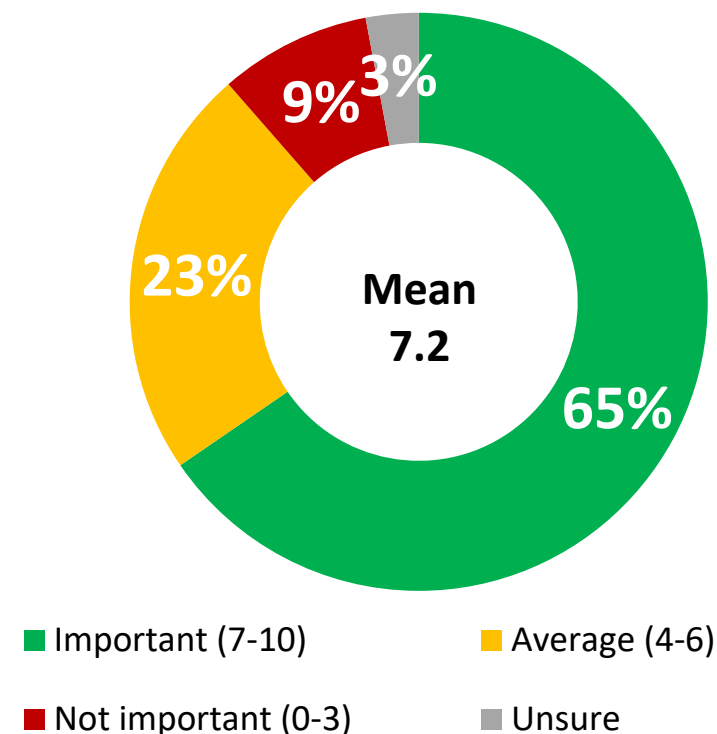
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When asked to rate the importance of climate change as a priority that deserves the attention of the Government of Canada, over three in five Canadians (65%) say it is important (score 7-10 of 10). Meanwhile, just under one in five (23%) say it is of average importance (score 4-6 out of 10), just below one in ten (nine per cent) say it is not important (score 0-3 out of 10) and three per cent are unsure.

As you may know our climate has been changing and there has been recent increases in wildfires, floods, droughts and associated health impacts.

Q – On a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is not at all important and 10 is very important, how important is climate change as a priority that deserves the attention of the Government of Canada?

Level of importance on climate change as a priority of the Government of Canada



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Source: Nanos Research, representative online survey, October 23rd to 28th, 2025, n=1013. No margin of error applies.

Level of importance on climate change as a priority of the Government of Canada – By gender, age and persona

Q – On a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is not at all important and 10 is very important, how important is climate change as a priority that deserves the attention of the Government of Canada?

	2025-10 (n=1013)	Men (n=484)	Women (n=527)	18-34 (n=200)	35-54 (n=376)	55 plus (n=437)	People who consider voting BOTH Liberal and NDP (n=249)	People who are progressive and voted Liberal (n=354)
Mean	7.2	7.0	7.4	7.3	6.8	7.5	8.0	7.7
Important (7-10)	65.4%	64.8%	65.9%	65.5%	59.8%	69.9%	76.5%	75.0%
Average (4-6)	23.1%	23.7%	22.7%	28.3%	22.7%	20.1%	21.0%	21.6%
Not important (0-3)	8.5%	9.5%	7.5%	3.5%	13.4%	7.9%	1.7%	3.0%
Unsure	2.9%	1.9%	3.9%	2.7%	4.2%	2.1%	0.8%	0.4%

Source: Nanos Research, representative online survey, October 23rd to 28th, 2025, n=1013. No margin of error applies.

Level of importance on climate change as a priority of the Government of Canada – By region

Q – On a scale of 0 to 10 where 0 is not at all important and 10 is very important, how important is climate change as a priority that deserves the attention of the Government of Canada?

	2025-10 (n=1013)	Atlantic (n=83)	Quebec (n=256)	905 (n=98)	Rest of Ontario (n=222)	Prairies (n=200)	Lower Mainland in BC (n=94)	Rest of BC (n=60)
Mean	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.2	7.4	6.7	7.2	7.6
Important (7-10)	65.4%	60.9%	66.2%	69.2%	69.0%	58.2%	60.9%	72.1%
Average (4-6)	23.1%	28.5%	24.4%	19.7%	19.6%	26.3%	32.7%	11.0%
Not important (0-3)	8.5%	6.2%	4.1%	9.6%	9.7%	14.2%	4.1%	9.8%
Unsure	2.9%	4.5%	5.2%	1.5%	1.7%	1.4%	2.2%	7.1%

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Views on new standards on methane that prevent natural gas waste and climate change – By gender, age and persona

Q – As you may know, methane, the main chemical component of natural gas, is often wasted during oil and gas extraction through leaks, venting and flaring and is a contributor to climate change. Research by the International Energy Agency shows that the cost of reducing methane is modest compared to other ways of reducing pollution from the oil and gas sector. Would you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose new standards on methane that prevent natural gas from being wasted and help prevent climate change?

	2025-10 (n=1013)	Men (n=483)	Women (n=528)	18-34 (n=199)	35-54 (n=376)	55 plus (n=438)	People who consider voting BOTH Liberal and NDP (n=250)	People who are progressive and voted Liberal (n=355)
Support	25.1%	25.2%	24.8%	24.2%	23.1%	27.2%	37.3%	31.9%
Somewhat support	39.4%	40.6%	38.3%	42.8%	38.1%	38.1%	41.2%	42.8%
Somewhat oppose	9.5%	12.0%	7.2%	14.9%	9.3%	6.1%	4.9%	6.1%
Oppose	5.8%	8.1%	3.7%	5.0%	8.1%	4.6%	2.5%	3.0%
Unsure	20.2%	14.1%	26.0%	13.1%	21.4%	24.0%	14.1%	16.2%

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Support	25.1%	34.3%	17.6%	23.8%	29.5%	26.3%	19.0%	29.5%
Somewhat support	39.4%	26.4%	41.1%	48.7%	36.0%	40.5%	41.8%	39.2%
Somewhat oppose	9.5%	11.3%	12.7%	5.4%	9.9%	9.0%	7.3%	4.9%
Oppose	5.8%	3.6%	4.4%	4.1%	5.2%	8.0%	11.3%	6.1%
Unsure	20.2%	24.3%	24.1%	17.9%	19.4%	16.2%	20.6%	20.3%

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Levels of urgency that governments act on climate change to reduce health risks – By gender, age and persona

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Urgent	34.1%	31.7%	36.1%	37.8%	30.5%	34.4%	46.2%	37.6%
Somewhat urgent	41.1%	41.0%	41.3%	39.1%	43.5%	40.4%	43.2%	47.9%
Somewhat not urgent	11.9%	14.2%	9.7%	15.7%	8.8%	11.8%	4.1%	7.5%
Not urgent	6.4%	8.3%	4.5%	1.5%	9.5%	7.0%	1.2%	2.0%
Unsure	6.7%	4.9%	8.4%	5.9%	7.6%	6.4%	5.3%	4.9%

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	2025-10 (n=1013)	Atlantic (n=83)	Quebec (n=258)	905 (n=98)	Rest of Ontario (n=220)	Prairies (n=200)	Lower Mainland in BC (n=94)	Rest of BC (n=60)
Urgent	34.1%	37.3%	32.1%	33.4%	33.4%	37.0%	29.3%	41.3%
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Somewhat not urgent	11.9%	6.0%	12.6%	9.3%	11.8%	13.2%	17.1%	8.6%
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Element	Description	Element	Description
Research sponsor	Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment		
Population and Final Sample Size	1,015 Canadians	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.
Source of Sample	QuestMindshare		
Type of Sample	Representative non-probability	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.
Margin of Error (for a comparative probability sample)	For comparison purposes, a probability sample of 1,015 respondents would have a margin of error of ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without internet access could not participate.
Mode of Survey	Online survey	Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2021) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada.
Sampling Method Base	Non-probability	Estimated Response Rate	Not applicable
Demographics (Captured)	Atlantic, Quebec, 905, Rest of Ontario, Prairies, Lower Mainland, Rest of British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years or older. Six digit postal code was used to validate geography.	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Demographics (Other)	Age, gender, education, income	Question content and Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals. In addition to the content questions in the report, two questions were asked related to the job done by the government on reducing pollution, which were used by the client for internal purposes.
Field Dates	October 23 rd to October 28 th , 2025.	Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.	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.
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/	Data Tables	By region, age and gender: 2025-2923 CAPE Tables – formatted By persona: 2025-2923 CAPE Crosstabs - formatted



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