



Majority concerned the US is a threat to Canadian sovereignty.

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METHODOLOGY

This survey gauged the views of Canadians on US as a threat to Canadian sovereignty and the US pulling out of NATO.

Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,009 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between January 31st and February 4th, 2026 as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents. 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.

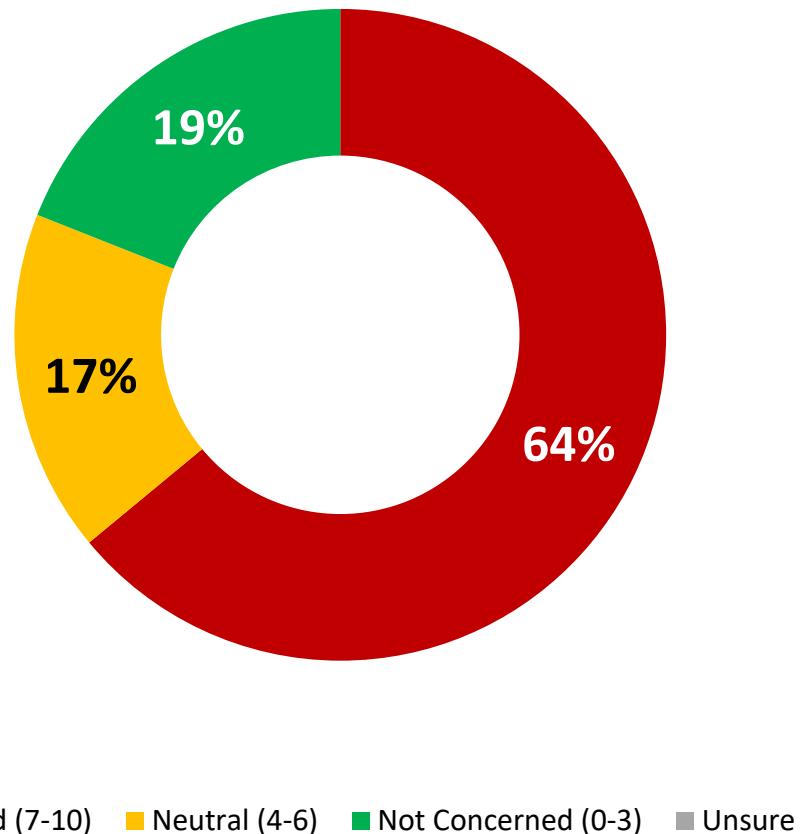
The margin of error for this survey is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

This study was commissioned by the CTV News and the research was conducted by Nanos Research.

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

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

Q - On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all concerned and 10 is very concerned, how concerned are you about the US being a potential threat to Canada's sovereignty?



*Weighted to the true population proportion.

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Concern for the US being a potential threat to Canada's sovereignty

3 in 5 Canadians

say they feel concern about the US being a potential threat to Canadian sovereignty.

72 percent of Canadians aged 55 and older report feeling concerned that the US is a potential threat to Canadian sovereignty, the highest amongst all age groups.

Comparatively 56 percent of Canadians aged 18 to 34 and 60 percent of Canadians aged 35 to 54 report feeling concerned that the US is a potential threat to Canadian sovereignty.

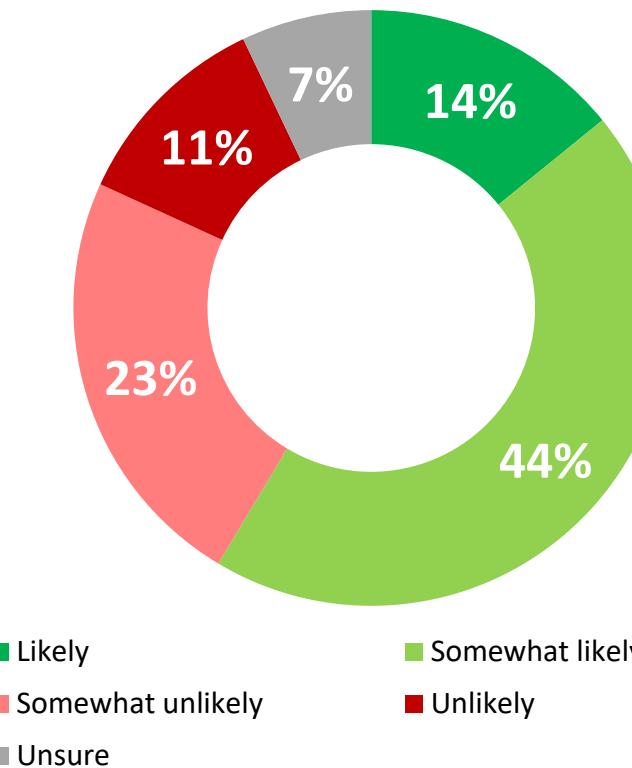
Concern for the US being a potential threat to Canada's sovereignty by demographics

Q - On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all concerned and 10 is very concerned, how concerned are you about the US being a potential threat to Canada's sovereignty?

	Canada 2026-02 (n=1009)	Atlantic (n=107)	Quebec (n=228)	Ontario (n=311)	Prairies (n=213)	British Columbia (n=150)	Male (n=598)	Female (n=411)	18 to 34 (n=193)	35 to 54 (n=432)	55 plus (n=384)
Mean	6.7	7.4	6.8	6.9	6.0	6.6	6.3	7.2	6.2	6.5	7.2
Concerned (7-10)	63.7%	74.0%	67.6%	65.8%	52.0%	61.2%	57.9%	69.3%	56.1%	59.8%	71.7%
Neutral (4-6)	17.3%	14.0%	16.9%	17.7%	19.6%	15.8%	17.7%	17.0%	21.5%	16.8%	15.0%
Not Concerned (0-3)	18.7%	12.0%	15.5%	16.3%	27.6%	22.9%	24.5%	13.2%	21.9%	23.0%	13.4%
Don't know	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%

Likelihood of US pulling out of NATO

Q - Do you think it is likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely or unlikely that the United States will pull out of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization(NATO) which is the main military alliance for Western democracies?



Just under 3 in 5 Canadians

believe that it is likely (14%) or somewhat likely (44%) that the US will pull out of NATO. 71 percent of Canadian women believe that it is likely (17%) or somewhat likely (54%) that the US will pull out of NATO while 46% of men believe it is likely (12%) or somewhat likely (34%) that the US will leave NATO.

*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, January 31st to February 4th, 2026, n=1009, accurate 3.1 percentage points plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

Likelihood of US pulling out of NATO – by demographics

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	Canada 2026-02 (n=1009)	Atlantic (n=107)	Quebec (n=228)	Ontario (n=311)	Prairies (n=213)	British Columbia (n=150)	Male (n=598)	Female (n=411)	18 to 34 (n=193)	35 to 54 (n=432)	55 plus (n=384)
Likely	14.4%	17.0%	11.0%	11.7%	17.4%	22.8%	11.7%	17.0%	15.9%	16.9%	11.5%
Somewhat likely	44.2%	47.5%	40.3%	47.4%	44.0%	40.1%	33.9%	54.0%	42.2%	40.8%	48.1%
Somewhat unlikely	22.6%	19.4%	28.0%	22.1%	20.4%	19.2%	28.7%	16.7%	21.8%	24.4%	21.7%
Unlikely	11.3%	9.9%	8.7%	12.6%	12.9%	10.8%	18.9%	4.0%	10.7%	12.8%	10.6%
Unsure	7.5%	6.2%	11.9%	6.2%	5.2%	7.1%	6.7%	8.2%	9.4%	5.1%	8.1%

TECHNICAL NOTE

Element	Description	Element	Description
Research sponsor	CTV News	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
Population and Final Sample Size	1009 Randomly selected individuals.	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.
Source of Sample	Nanos Insights Lab	Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Type of Sample	Probability	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.
Margin of Error	±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.	Estimated Response Rate	11 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey	Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire.
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.	Question Content	Topics on the omnibus ahead of the survey content included: views on political issues, views on economic issues and US-Canada relations.
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.	Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online	Research/Data Collection Supplier	Nanos Research
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs to those recruited.	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 .
Time of Calls	Individuals recruited were called between 12:50 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.	Tabulations	By region, age and gender [LINK]
Field Dates	January 31 st to February 4 th , 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/		

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