

The above shows the position of "International peace" in this analysis: 54% of Canadians say "International peace" should be of the highest priority for Canada, but only 21% say they see Canada as actually attaching highest priority to this issue. So, there is for this issue a major discrepancy between what Canadians would like Canada to be doing, and what they see Canada as actually doing.

The diagonal represents congruency: equal numbers of Canadians say "should be of highest priority" and "is highest priority". For issues that fall above the diagonal, Canadians would like to see more being done.

The full analysis, including all of the eleven issues, is shown in Figure 5:

- o Overall, most of the issues fall above the diagonal, suggesting that in general Canadians would like to see Canada as more active in its foreign policy efforts.
- o Four issues stand out as particularly important, because they are issues where (a) many Canadians believe they should be of the highest priority, but (b) far fewer Canadians actually see these as presently being of highest priority to Canada. These issues are:
 - International peace ("A" in the graph)
 - Canada's independence and control over its own affairs ("B")
 - Acid rain ("C")
 - Arms control ("D")
- o Relative to most of the other issues, there is a relatively close congruency between "should be highest priority" and "is highest priority" for the issue, "Canada - U.S. relations". That is, there is a relatively close match between what the public wants and what it sees as being done as regards Canada - U.S. relations in general; it is only in the specific areas of acid rain and sovereignty that some discrepancies emerge.