

34. What about the long-term effects of free trade? Do you think that in the long run, the Free Trade Agreement will benefit Canada, will hurt Canada, or will have no impact one way or the other?

35a. A number of people have said they've changed their mind about free trade over the last year from believing that the long-term effects of free trade would benefit Canada, to now thinking that it will hurt Canada. Are you one of these people?

b. Why?

	TOTAL	REGION					
		British Columbia	Alberta	Prairies	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
Base=All respondents	(1509)	(170)	(143)	(124)	(535)	(399)	(138)
LONG TERM EFFECTS OF AGREEMENT							
Benefit Canada	31	24	35	24	34	31	30
Hurt Canada	55	66	55	59	55	49	56
No impact	9	6	5	13	7	14	8
(DK/NS)	5	4	4	4	5	7	6
Base=Free trade will hurt Canada	(828)	(111)	(78)	(73)	(293)	(194)	(78)
CHANGED MIND - AGREEMENT WILL HURT CANADA							
Yes	47	52	51	53	36	56	50
No	52	48	47	46	63	44	50
(DK/NS)	0		2	1	1		
Base=Changed mind about Free Trade	(391)	(58)	(40)	(39)	(106)	(109)	(39)
REASONS							
Products can be made cheaper in							
U.S.	4		8	9	4	3	2
Softwood dispute	11	8	9	2	5	24	4
Loss of jobs	15	6	19	11	24	12	8
Relocation by businesses to U.S.	19	14	25	14	38	5	15
Too much cross border shopping	6	6	13	5	3	5	10
Bad for farmers	1			3		1	2
U.S. too strong for Canada	13	18	16	12	14	12	6
Only benefits the U.S.	18	22	16	23	7	25	19
Tariffs	8	12	8	7	5	11	4
Observed for self	3	5		3	4	1	6
Honda dispute	6	2	6		7	10	2

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