

The Resolute Antagonists, the majority of whom placed the responsibility for adjustment with the federal government, rate the federal government's job in helping Canadians adjust the poorest (40% poor job, 52% very poor job) [table 4].

TABLE 4: Assessments of the federal government's job in helping Canadians adjust to changes in the global economy						
	Total	EA	DS	CP	OO	RA
A very good job	1	3	2	1	1	6
A good job	29	51	37	24	37	4
A poor job	45	37	44	54	49	40
A very poor job	22	7	12	19	10	52

As the table shows, a majority of the Enthusiastic Advocates rate the federal government as doing a good job, while the majority of all other segments rate the government's performance a poor job.

4.4 Canada's Trade Balance

Consistent with research findings from March of 1992, respondents were much more likely to state that Canada imports more goods than it exports, than to state that exports exceed imports or that import and export volumes were about equal. In the current (August, 1992) study, 56 percent of respondents (compared to 61% in March of 1992) stated that Canada imports more than it exports. Sixteen percent of respondents in August of 1992 and in March of 1992 stated that Canada exports more than it imports. The percentage of respondents who believe that the import/export balance is about equal increased from 16 percent in March of 1992 to 22 percent in the current survey. The results show the misconceptions held by the public about the trade balance. In 1991, Canada's exports to the world were \$10 billion greater than imports.