

An Angus Reid and Associates poll conducted in November 1986 and published in the Reid Report found 59 per cent of Canadians polled believed Canadian foreign policy was "too pro-Reagan", while 27 per cent felt it was sufficiently independent; 14 per cent of respondents were unsure. The Reid Report also queried Canadians over their support for cruise missile testing in Canada and found that 60 per cent of Canadians opposed the policy allowing tests, and 34 per cent supported it.

In a question with implications for the issue of purchasing nuclear-powered submarines, Gallup asked 1,026 Canadians if they were aware of the Northwest Passage and if so, whether they knew what it was or thought it should be part of Canada. Of the respondents who knew of the Passage 85 per cent thought it was or should be part of Canada's territorial waters. 37 per cent of those asked were not aware of the Passage.

In an April, 1987 poll of 1,011 people sponsored by the Department of External Affairs (DEA) 46 per cent mentioned issues broadly related to war and peace as being of greatest personal concern; poverty and hunger was of greatest concern to 21 per cent. Asked to attach priority to specific issues, respondents listed international peace, Canadian independence, acid rain, arms control, and Canada-US relations in that order. They believed that in practice Canada attached highest priority to Canada-US relations, acid rain, Canadian independence, international peace, and Third World hunger and poverty. They perceived Canada to be most effective in dealing with Canada-US relations, Third World poverty and hunger, Canadian independence, international peace and international co-operation in the UN and other multilateral organizations.

In regard to Canada-US relations the DEA poll found that 72 per cent of respondents viewed relations between the two as good or better; 54 per cent had seen no change in relations over the past year while 25 per cent saw a worsening and 19 per cent an improvement. Sixty-seven per cent believed