

8. Some people have said that Canadian businesses cannot compete with Mexican businesses in a free trade agreement because wages, and environmental and safety standards are much lower in Mexico. Others have said that Canadian businesses can compete with Mexican businesses because Canadian workers are better trained and Canada has better facilities like roads, airports and communications. Which viewpoint is closest to your own?

	TOTAL	REGION					
		British Columbia	Alberta	Prairies	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
*Base=All respondents	(1500)	(184)	(135)	(112)	(558)	(385)	(126)
*COMPETE WITH MEXICO							
*Cannot compete	55	59	58	56	58	47	51
*Can compete	42	40	38	39	38	49	44
* (DK/ NS)	4	2	3	5	4	4	5

Source: Angus Reid Group
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