

E. NAFTA

17a. As you may know, the federal government has recently completed negotiations with the United States and Mexico on a three-way free trade agreement. Generally speaking, do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose Canada entering into a three-way free trade agreement with the United States and Mexico?

Strongly support.....10 --> ASK Q17b THEN SKIP TO 19
 Somewhat support.....36 -
 Somewhat oppose.....24 --> CONTINUE
 Strongly oppose.....24 -
 (DK/NS).....6 --> ASK Q17b THEN SKIP TO 19

17b. And, why do you (INSERT ANSWER TO Q17a) the three-way free trade agreement between Canada, the United States and Mexico?

(support) 18% Opens more markets for Canada than jobs lost
(oppose) 57% Wages are low in Mexico/cheap labour-lost jobs

ASK 18 ONLY IF RESPONDENT SOMEWHAT/STRONGLY OPPOSED IN Q17a:

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: ASK Q18a AND b OF EACH STATEMENT BEFORE MOVING ON TO THE NEXT)

18a. I'd like you to tell me how much more likely you would be to support the proposed three-way free trade agreement if you heard that (READ STATEMENT -- ROTATE FROM X) Would this make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, not very likely or not likely at all to support Canada-U.S.-Mexico free trade?

18b. And, how believable would you find this statement ... very believable, somewhat believable, not very believable, or not believable at all?

	18a					18b				
	MUCH MORE	SOMEWHAT MORE	NOT VERY	NOT AT ALL	(DK/NS)	VERY BELIEVABLE	SOMEWHAT BELIEVABLE	NOT VERY BELIEVABLE	NOT BELIEVABLE AT ALL	(DK/NS)
	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	9	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	9
a. A three-way trade agreement that includes Mexico would be good for Canada because it opens up a large new market for Canadian exports.....	16.....	41.....	20.....	22.....	1	5.....	27.....	36.....	30.....	1
b. Companies will continue to invest in Canada if we are part of a three-way free trade agreement so they can serve the whole North American market.....	15.....	45.....	20.....	19.....	2	2.....	30.....	40.....	25.....	3
c. Free trade with Mexico will help build the Mexican economy so that Mexican wages, environmental and safety standards will substantially improve over the long term....	15.....	40.....	22.....	21.....	1	14.....	36.....	28.....	21.....	2

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