The level of concern with the state of East-West relations stems from the fact that by a ratio of over 2 to 1, Canadians feel that the relationship between Eastern and Western Natons is deteriorating over time.

Furthermore, when looking only at those very interested in world affairs, the propensity to report a deteriorating condition is even more pronounced ... a sign that the issue will gain prominance if the two sides do not warm up to each other in the near future.

In Past 10 Year Or So, East-West relations Have	Total	% of Respondents
		Very interested in world affairs
Improved	16	14
Remained the same	43	38
Deteriorated	41	48
Total	100	. 100
Base:	(1000)	(357)

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