

Table 3

REASONS FOR SUPPORT/OPPOSITION TO FREE TRADE

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Support	48
Market size/more open trade	11
Positive for both Canada/U.S.	9
Unemployment/jobs	6
Economic changes in Canada	7
Dollar changes/consumer prices/duties/taxes	7
Specific/general industry effects	4
Other	4
Oppose	42
U.S./resource takeover	10
Canada will lose	9
Unemployment/jobs	6
Specific/general industry effects	6
Not enough information	3
Economic/market/price changes	3
Other	5

The reasons identified in Table 3 highlight the principal concerns or issues which evidence elsewhere in this and previous survey results show to be most important in influencing Canadians' views regarding Canada-U.S. free trade. These concern, first off, assessments or expectations of tangible economic benefits or costs for Canadians, as well as concerns about possible loss of control and perceived threats to Canada's sovereignty or independence.

The reasons offered in support of the trade agreement all point to various positive economic consequences for Canada, be these in the form of expanded markets for the sale of Canadian goods, lower prices, duties and taxes on goods, or in an anticipated