

Table I

Chances of a Nuclear War Compared to Ten Years Ago (in %)

	<u>1971*</u>	<u>1975*</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1985</u>
Greater	17	33	52	62	65	53
Less great	54	42	23	19	17	21
Same	19	17	16	14	14	17
DK/Undecided	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>
	100	100	100	100	100	100

*For these surveys the question referred to "atomic war".

Source : CIPO

EAST-WEST RELATIONS

In a 1984 survey by Goldfarb consultants, about four in ten Canadians expressed the view that east-west relations had deteriorated in the past ten years or so. An equal proportion said they had remained the same, while one in six believed there had been improvement. Those who expressed more interest in world affairs tended to see more deterioration. In the same study over 80% said they were very or somewhat concerned with the current state of east-west affairs. Only 13% said they were not concerned at all. Of those who perceived deterioration, most (66%) believed the responsibility lay with both superpowers. Just less than two in ten (18%), blamed the USSR, while slightly fewer (11%) blamed the United States.