

- Canadians were asked to judge the likelihood and importance to them of a number of possible consequences which have been predicted as effects of free trade. The results were as follows:

	<u>Is Likely</u>	<u>Is an important Consideration</u>
Overall there will be more jobs gained than lost in Canada	55	93
We will be able to maintain current government programmes such as unemployment insurance and health insurance	62	92
Our economy will become so closely tied to the U.S. economy that we will gradually lose our ability to make our own economic decisions	65	85
Prices for most consumer goods in Canada will generally be lower	66	84
Differences in economic development among regions in Canada will gradually be reduced	46	80
Many American companies will close their plants in Canada	44	75
Canadians will have higher incomes than they do now	28	73
There will be fewer trade disputes with the U.S. because trade will be covered by a legal agreement	71	72
Women will lose relatively more jobs than men	32	70
American influence on our books, magazines, films and other parts of our culture will increase	76	66