

Table 2

	Poverty and Hunger	Arms Race	Economy	Human Rights	Democracy
	%	%	%	%	%
Average	39	24	22	7	7
Region					
British Columbia	28	33	25	5	8
Prairies	39	27	18	8	8
Ontario	38	26	21	7	8
Quebec	45	19	22	8	6
Maritimes	48	23	20	5	5
Age					
16-17 Years	45	30	12	8	5
18-34 Years	40	27	20	7	5
35-54 Years	37	23	25	6	9
55 Years and Older	41	18	25	6	9
Education					
High School Education or Less	42	22	23	6	7
Greater than High School Education	35	26	22	7	9
Student	36	30	21	9	5
Language of Interview					
English	37	26	22	6	7
French	46	17	23	8	7

C. Perceptions of Canada's Foreign Policy Priorities

While poverty, hunger and the arms race are perceived by the Canadian public as the most serious concerns facing the world, those issues tend not to be cited by Canadians as the major priorities of the Canadian government's foreign policy. As shown in Table 3, the plurality see economic issues "such as trade" as the federal government's top priority, and this is consistent with the findings of six months ago. However, as with perceptions of the world's most serious problems, there is no strong consensus as to the priorities of the government's foreign policy.