

Table 4

BENEFIT/LOSS TO CANADA OF THE REMOVAL OF
TRADE BARRIERS BY PROVINCE

<u>PROVINCE</u>	<u>BENEFIT</u> %	<u>NEITHER BENEFIT NOR LOSE</u> %	<u>LOSE</u> %	<u>NET CHANGE FROM APRIL 1986</u>
British Columbia	58	10	32	-3
Alberta	67	6	27	-6
Saskatchewan	57	6	33	+14
Manitoba	44	11	41	+1
Balance Ontario	48	12	40	+11
Metropolitan Toronto	49	8	43	+10
Quebec	55	11	34	+2
New Brunswick	57	7	35	+25
Nova Scotia	53	11	32	±0
Prince Edward Island	54	5	38	±0
Newfoundland	71	7	23	-5
National Average	55	9	35	+1

Note: Percentages for the first three columns sum horizontally and may not sum to 100% due to rounding and exclusion of "no opinion." The Net Change column provides data on the change since April 1986 based on a measure of those saying "benefit" minus those saying "lose."

The data suggest that the case for the net benefits of freer trade to Canada has been gaining ground in New Brunswick, Saskatchewan, and the Ontario region outside of Metropolitan Toronto. Overall, positive assessment of the potential benefits to the nation persists in Newfoundland, Alberta and British Columbia with only minor erosion.