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This National Angus Reid/Southam News Poll was conducted by telephone between May 28th and June 2nd, 1996 among a representative cross-section of 1516 Canadian adults.

The actual number of completed interviews in each region was as follows: B.C. - 200; Alberta - 150; Manitoba/Saskatchewan - 120; Ontario - 526; Quebec - 400; Atlantic - 120. These data were statistically weighted to ensure the sample's regional and age/sex composition reflects that of the actual Canadian population according to the 1991 Census data.

With a national sample of 1516, one can say with 95 percent certainty that the results are within ± 2.5 percentage points of what they would have been had the entire adult Canadian population been polled. The margin of error will be larger within regions and for other sub-groupings of the survey population.

- FEDERAL PARTY STANDINGS - THE LIBERALS' "RED BOOK" PROMISES - THE PUBLIC AGENDA -

The latest National Angus Reid/Southam News Poll, conducted between May 28th and June 2nd among a representative cross-section of 1,516 Canadians, gauged the federal party standings, asked voters to assess the job the federal Liberal government has done on delivering its "Red Book" promises, and took an inventory of the public's policy issues agenda.

Overall, the Chretien Liberals continue to ride high in popular support, while there has been some interesting movement among the Reform and Conservative parties this past month. These poll results also find that the public gives the federal Liberals fairly poor marks for their delivery on their "Red Book" election promises, but this evidently has not hurt their support levels and, indeed, even most voters who are skeptical about how much of their platform the Liberals will deliver on during this mandate say this will have no impact on the likelihood of their voting Liberal in the next election.

The poll highlights include:

FEDERAL PARTY STANDINGS

- This latest poll shows the Chretien Liberals remain way out in front, but there has been some interesting movement among the Reform and Conservative parties. The Chretien Liberals are holding at 53 percent of the decided vote nationally, unchanged from last month and still a dozen points up over their election showing. The Conservatives, meanwhile, have risen 5 points to 16 percent of the decided vote their best showing since their October 1993 election defeat (and the same level of support they received that day). Reform has dipped 3 points to 13 percent nationally (16% across English-speaking Canada). The Bloc Quebecois are at 8 percent nationally (37% in Quebec). The New Democrats are at 9 percent. All other parties hold the support of 2 percent of decided voters. (A total of 26% were undecided/refused or said they would not vote in a federal election). (Table 1A)
- ◆ The Liberals are holding a lead albeit of varying strength in all major regions of the country except Alberta (where they are now tied with Reform). The Reform party's support looks to have slipped in Alberta, as well as in B.C. and Atlantic Canada this past month. The Conservatives' recent gains were recorded mainly in Alberta (now at 22%, up from 13% in April) and in Ontario (also up at 22%, from 14%). In these two provinces and in Manitoba/Saskatchewan, the federal Tories currently enjoy their highest level of popular support since the October 1993 federal election. (Table 1B)

THE LIBERALS' "RED BOOK" PROMISES

- When asked what kind of job the federal Liberal government has done, two and a half years into its mandate, of delivering on what they outlined in the "Red Book", a majority of 53 percent of surveyed Canadians gave a rating of "very poor" or "poor" (11% and 42% respectively), compared to one in three (34%) who stated the government has done a "very good" or "good" job (1% and 33% respectively) in this regard; 12 percent were unsure.
 Quebecers were most critical (69% said poor job), Ontarians the least (evenly split).
 (Table 2)
- Those who were critical of the government's record on delivering on its "Red Book" promises were asked to name a commitment that reflects this failure to deliver. More than one-third (36%) of these respondents volunteered the GST; one-quarter (24%) said jobs/job creation, and 5 percent pointed to deficit reduction as "Red Book" promises poorly kept by the Chretien Liberals. Meanwhile, those who felt the government has so far done a good job of delivering its "Red Book" promises highlighted progress on deficit reduction (14%), jobs/job creation (10%), and the economy in general (6%). One-half (53%) of this group could not cite a specific policy that reflected the Liberals' delivery on their promises. (Table 2)
- Surveyed Canadians were also asked whether, compared to other federal and provincial governments, "the current federal Liberal government has done better, done worse, or been

about the same in terms of delivering on its election promises." The consensus among two-thirds (66%) of those polled is that this government has been "about the same" as others in keeping its commitments, while 19 percent said the Liberals have done better than other governments versus 12 percent who said they have done worse in this regard. A majority of voters in all regions put the federal Liberal government on a par with others where promise delivery is concerned. The most accolades came from Manitoba/Saskatchewan (30% better) and the most criticism from Quebec (still only 19% worse). (Table 3)

- Canadians were then asked, "by the end of this mandate that is, by the time the next federal election is called do you think the federal Liberal government will have delivered on nearly all, some, or only a few of the promises they made in the last election campaign?"
 One in ten (9%) believed that "nearly all" Liberal promises would be fulfilled by the end of this mandate. Half (47%) of all respondents predicted that "some" promises would be fulfilled, while an additional four in ten (41%) felt that this federal Liberal government would deliver on "only a few" of their campaign promises. (Table 4)
- Of those (88% of the sample) who expected just "some" or "only a few" Liberal campaign promises would be fulfilled by the next federal election, fully six in ten (61%) said this would have "no real impact" on their choice of party to support in that election. A total of 35 percent of these voters said they would be "less likely to vote Liberal" as a result of unkept

promises – 18 percent "a lot less likely". As would be expected, further analysis shows that most of these voters are already opposition party supporters. (Table 4)

THE PUBLIC AGENDA

The late May-early June National Angus Reid/Southam News Poll also included an ongoing monitor of the public policy issues of most concern to Canadians. Those surveyed were posed an "open-ended" question at the beginning of the interview asking them to name the issues which they believe are the most important for Canada today. This probing yielded the following responses, presented here in descending order of their level of total mentions: (Tables 5A & 5B)

- Jobs/Unemployment The unemployment situation remains at the top of Canadians' policy issues agenda. This issue was cited "top-of-mind" by 45 percent of Canadians surveyed, up 5 points from April but comparable to the level of mentions recorded in earlier soundings taken this year. Mentions reached the two-thirds level in Atlantic Canada (67%), in sharpest contrast to Alberta (31%).
- National Unity/Quebec's Future/The Constitution Four in ten (41%) polled Canadians said that national unity/Quebec's future (and to a far lesser degree, the Canadian Constitution) is the most pressing concern facing the country right now. This is up sharply (13 points) from the April sounding, and is the highest such total mentions recorded this

year. The "top-of-mind" presence of this issue is fairly consistent across regions, but is relatively more pronounced among men and more affluent Canadians.

- The Economy in General The overall state of the economy was mentioned by more than one in five (23%) survey respondents as an issue warranting the country's undivided attention right now, with this figure rising to one in three Quebecers (32%), and similarly among the middle-aged and the most affluent.
- Deficit/Debt Canada's fiscal situation was also cited by 23 percent of those interviewed as the most serious issue facing the country. This represents a marginal 2-point rise from the 1996 low recorded in April. The federal deficit/debt engenders comparatively greater "top-of-mind" concern in the two western-most provinces as well as among men and higher income Canadians.
- Health Care/Medicare The availability and quality of health care was named by just over one in ten (13%) surveyed Canadians as one of the most acute issues in the country today, echoing the total mentions received by this issue in soundings taken since the start of the year. Unaided mentions were relatively higher among residents of Manitoba/Saskatchewan, women, older Canadians and the least affluent.

- Crime/Justice Issues One in ten (9%) respondents identified crime and justice issues as an important concern for the country today. This represents a threefold increase over last month's sounding and the highest level of mentions thus far in 1996.
- Education Issues pertaining to the education system were cited by 8 percent of those polled as a top priority for Canada at this time.
- Other Social Services Seven percent of those surveyed expressed "top-of-mind" concern about social services.
- Poverty Six percent of Canadians surveyed said issues concerning poverty need serious attention today.
- Taxes/Tax Reform/GST Taxation issues were cited by 6 percent of respondents as one of the current top priorities for Canada.
- ◆ The Environment One in twenty (5%) surveyed Canadians identified the environment as the area most in need of national attention.

A number of other issues were cited by smaller numbers of respondents, including: immigration/refugees (4%), government/politics (3%), native issues (2%), among others mentioned by still fewer respondents.

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Table IA

FEDERAL PARTIES' POPULAR SUPPORT LEVELS

- October 1993 Election to May 1996 -

	Oct. '93*	Feb. '94	Aug. '94	Oct. '94	Jan. '95	Feb. '95	Mar. '95	July '95	Oct. '95	Nov. '95	Dec. '95	Jan. '96	Feb. '96	Mar. '96	Apr. '96	May '96
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Liberal	41	58	58	62	54	63	58	55	56	52	49	53	58	54	53	53
Bloc Quebecois	14	9	8	8	10	10	10	7	8	9	10	7	9	9	9	8
Reform	19	20	13	13	14	17	15	12	12	15	16	16	13	16	16	13
Conservative	16	5	8	6	9	5	7	14	14	13	- 11	13	12	11	11	16
New Democrat	7	4	5	4	6	5	7	9	8	9	10	9	7	8	8	9
Other	3	5	7	6	6	1	3	3	2	2	4	2	2	l	2	2

^{*} Actual popular vote in October 1993 election.

Decided Voters Only: Undecided and Refused Excluded.

"Thinking of how you feel right now, which party's candidate would you be most likely to support if a federal election were held tomorrow?"

Table 1B

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	Oct. '93*	Feb. '94	Aug. '94	Oct. '94	Jan. '95	Feb. '95	July '95	Oct. '95	Nov. '95	Dec. '95	Jan. '96	Feb. '96	Mar. '96	Apr. '96	May '96
							RITISH	COLUM	BIA						
(Weighted Bases)	(-) (%)	(160) (%)	(1 48) (%)	(145) (%)	(141) (%)	(142) (%)	(131) (%)	(12 4) (%)	(139) (%)	(142) (%)	(135) (%)	(139) (%)	(134) (%)	(140) (%)	(146) (%)
Liberal	28	53	54	54	43	54	53	62	49	45	55	55	52	51	50
Bloc Quebecois	•	•	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	•	-	•	•	-	-
Reform	36	34	33	24	34	29	27	23	33	37	27	28	33	30	23
Conservative	14	0	4	2	12	4	4	3	6	5	4	6	3	4	6
New Democrat	16	7	6	10	15	9	11	11	8	11	12	8	10	13	17
Other	6	6	4	9	6	4	5	1	5	3	2	3	2	1	3
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(Weighted Bases)	(-)	(112)	(96)	(116)	(104)	(103)	(96)	(101)	(109)	(103)	(88)	(108)	(107)	(94)	(96)
Liberal	25	40	44	49	35	34	36	47	32	40	29	40	41	35	37
Bloc Quebecois	-	-	•	-	-	-		<u> </u>	-	-	-	<u>.</u>	-	•	
Reform	52	49	30	32	41	55	44	31	48	42	50	36	38	47	37
Conservative	15	6	18	11	16	7	11	12	10	8	13	14	12	13	22
New Democrat	4	1	5	2	3	2	8	8	7	9	7	10	8	3	4
Other	4	4	3	6	6	2	2	2.	3	<u> </u>		0		2	0
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(Weighted Bases)	(-)	(97)	(87)	(86)	(91)	(84)	(94)	(87)	(86)	(83)	(85)	(77)	(81)	(75)	(91)
Liberal	39	66	58	63	46	58	50	48	52	44	47	58	51	50	49
Bloc Quebecois	<u>-</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reform	24	17	17	20	26	20	16	17	17	23	27	8	25	18	17
Conservative	12	3		8	6	8	12	11	12	14	11	11	8	-14	14
New Democrat	21	7	18	3	13	10	22	21	19	19	13	23	16	17	19
Other	3	7	5	5	8	4	ON	2 TARIO		0	2	0	0		
(Weighted Bases)	(-)	(488)	(453)	(451)	(456)	(458)	(459)	(438)	(446)	(456)	(444)	(434)	(434)	(444)	(434
Liberal	53	64	69	75	69	68	60	64	61	57	60	68	63	64	60
Bloc Quebecois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reform	20	23	12	12	П	16	8	10	10	12	12	10	13	13	10
Conservative	18	6	9	5	П	9	20	17	17	15	16	16	13	14	22
New Democrat	6	4	4	5	6	5.	9	8	11	13	Ш	6	10	8	7
Other	3	4	6	2	3	1	2	ı	0	3	2	- 1	I	ı	2
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(Weighted Bases)	(-)	(309)	(272)	(299)	(300)	(286)	(278)	(258)	(252)	(290)	(246)	(236)	(248)	(238)	(255
Liberal	33	51	48	47	44	50	53	42	43	42	46	44	46	44	45
Bloc Quebecois	49	38	35	33	39	40	30	36	41	41	32	43	40	43	37
Reform	-	-		-	1	3	2	4	2	3	3	2	2	2	3
Conservative	14	3	3	3	6	4	7	13	8	6	11	7	7	5	8
New Democrat	2	1	2	2	1		3	2	1	3	4	2	2	2	4
Other	2	6	12	11	10	2	5	4	5	7	5	2	3	4	3
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(Weighted Bases)	(-)	(115)	(109)	(103)	(104)	(96)	(97)	(96)	(87)	(89)	(98)	(89)	(91)	(98)	(98)
Liberal	57	65	60	68	61	68	62	63	58	57	62	73	57	49	66
Bloc Quebecois	-		•	-		<u> </u>	-	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	-	-	<u> </u>	-	-	<u> </u>
Reform	8	11	8	8	4	8	2	1	8	7	8	6	8	15	7
Conservative	26	12	18	16	15	14	26	21	23	22	21	12	28	24	17
New Democrat	5	5	9	5	9	9	9	13	10		9	4	6	10	10
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CANADIANS' ASSESSMENT OF THE JOB THE LIBERAL GOVERNMENT HAS DONE ON DELIVERING ITS "RED BOOK" PROMISES

3.7.2.		REGION										
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic					
(Weighted Bases)	(1516) (%)	(185) (%)	(136)° (%)	(113) (%)	(565) (%)	(389) (5)	(128) (%)					
Very good job	I	2	<u> </u>	l l	1	I	3					
Good job	33	32	28	34	45	20	32					
Poor job	42	38	40	55	35	50	46					
Very poor job	11	10		7	8	19	12					
(Unsure)	12	18	20	3	12	10	8					
(Base: Very Good/Good Job)	(530) (%)	(63)* (%)	(40)* (%)	(40)* (%)	(258) (%)	(84)* (%)	(44)* (%)					
WHY GOOD JOB ON DELIVERING?:		·										
Deficit reduction	14	14	5	11	17	11	14					
Jobs/Job creation	10	14	10	12	6	10	20					
Economy (general)	6	7	6	5	6	6	0					
National unity/Quebec's future	3	2	4	5	3	5	0					
GST	2	3	0 .	2		4	5					
Justice system/Legal reform/Gun control laws	2	2	0	- 3	2	0	2					
Honesty/Integrity	-	0	3	5	ı	1	0					
Unemployment insurance		ı	0	5	ı	0	0					
Homosexual issues		0	0	0.	.	ı	0					
Infrastructure program	1	2	0	0	0	1	2					
Pearson Airport	I	0	2	3		0	0					
(Unsure)	53	53	63	39	55	51	50					
(Base: Very Poor/Poor Job)	(809) (%)	(89)* (%)	(70)* (%)	(69)* (%)	(241) (%)	(267) (%)	(74)* (%)					
WHY POOR JOB ON DELIVERING?:												
GST	36	37	49	41	54	15	36					
Jobs/Job creation	24	19	17	17	. 15	39	22					
Deficit reduction	5	10	6	3	5	5	ı					
National unity/Quebec's future	3	3	0	Ī	ı	5	5					
Economy (general)	2	0	2	3	1	3	ı					
Honesty/Integrity	ı	I	0	0	2	0	0					
Taxes	ı	ı	1	0 '	0	0	4					
Unemployment insurance	ı	ı	0	2	0	i	0					
Justice system/Legal reform/Gun control laws	ı	1	0	2	ı	0	0					
Health care	ı	ı	0	5	I	ı	0					
(Unsure)	22	22	18	22	17	27	21					
* Note: Small sub-base	L	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	<u>. </u>	<u> </u>	·					

[&]quot;In the 1993 election campaign, the Liberals produced a party platform called "Creating Opportunity: The Liberal Plan for Canada", commonly referred to as "the Red Book". During the election campaign, Jean Chretien and other Liberal candidates said that "the Red Book" would form the basis of what a Liberal government would do. Overall, now that they're two and a half years into their handate, would you say the federal Liberals have done a very good job, a good job, a poor job, or a very poor job of delivering on what they outlined In 'the Red Book'?

(IF "VERY GOOD/GOOD" OR "VERY POOR/POOR"): "And, if you had to name one 'Red Book' commitment that reflects their (RESPONSE FROM ABOVE QUESTION) on delivering, which would it be?"

THE PUBLIC'S RATING OF THE CHRETIEN LIBERALS' DELIVERY OF THEIR ELECTION PROMISES COMPARED TO OTHER FEDERAL/PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS

		REGION											
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic						
(Weighted Bases)	(1516) (%)	(185) (%)	(136) (%)	(113) (%)	(565) (%)	(389) (%)	(128) (%)						
Liberals have done better	19	21	20	30	23	9	17						
About the same	66	62	65	54	65	70	71						
Liberals have done worse	12	11	11	14	9	19	9						
(Unsure)	3	6	4	2	3	2	3						

[&]quot;Compared to other federal and provincial governments that you have been familiar with here in Canada, would you say the current federal Liberal government has done better, done worse, or been about the same in terms of delivering on its election promises?"

THE EXTENT TO WHICH VOTERS EXPECT THE LIBERALS TO FULFILL THEIR ELECTION PROMISES AND THE IMPACT ON VOTING FOR THE LIBERALS NEXT TIME AROUND

				REG	ION		
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask.	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic
(Weighted Bases)	(1516) (%)	(185) (%)	(136) (%)	(113) (%)	(565) (%)	(389) (%)	(128) (%)
CAMPAIGN PROMISES DELIVERED BY	NEXT ELEC	CTION:	·				
Nearly all	9	7	7	12	14	4	8
Some	47	49	51	47	49	44	44
Only a few	41	40	36	39	35	49	47
(Unsure)	3	3	6	2	3	2	l
(Base: Some/Only a Few Promises)	(1336) (%)	(165) (%)	(118) (%)	(97) (%)	(473) (%)	(365) (%)	(117) (%)
IF "SOME/ONLY A FEW" PROMISES F	ULFILLED, H	OW WILL	THIS AFFE	CT YOUR V	TX3N 3TC	ELECTION?	: 1
A lot less likely to vote Liberal	18	18	23	13	10	26	19
Somewhat less likely to vote Liberal	17	17	17	18	17	17	23
No real impact	61	61	57	69	67	54	55
(Unsure)	4	4	3	0	6	3	2

"Looking ahead now, by the end of this mandate – that is, by the time the next federal election is called – do you think the federal Liberal government will have delivered on nearly all, some, or only a few of the promises they made in the last election campaign?"

(IF "SOME" OR "ONLY A FEW"): "If that is the case, do you think that would make you less likely to vote for the Liberals in the next federal election, or would it have no real impact on your choice of party to support? (Would that be a lot less likely or somewhat less likely to vote Liberal?)"

CANADIANS' PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES AGENDA - February 1988 to May 1996 -

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	Feb. '88	July '89	July '90	July '91	July '92	July '93	Nov. '93	July '94	Dec. '94	July '95	Oct. '95	Jan. '96	Feb. '96	Mar. '96	Apr. '96	May '96
(Weighted Bases)	(1523) (%)	(1521) (%)	(1501) (%)	(1508) (%)	(1500) (%)	(1506) (%)	(1500) (%)	(1507) (%)	(1505) (%)	(1501) (%)	(1503) (%)	(1511) (%)	(1500) (%)	(1520) (%)	(1501) (%)	(1516) (%)
Unemployment/Jobs	18	14	8	14	24	38	58	33	28	34	27	40	42	44	40	45
Nat'l Unity/Quebec/Const.	2	4	52	38	55	6	6	17	33	22	72	39	30	31	28	41
The Economy (general)	10	10	22	31	44	36	21	21	21	22	20	25	28	21	24	23
Deficit/Debt	5	13	7	12	4	21	33	18	29	28	15	26	23	26	21	23
Health Care/Medicare	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	9	3	5	12	7	. 12	12	12	13	13
Crime/Justice Issues	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	5	9	12	5	4	4	4	3	9
Education	3	2	2	2	2	3	5	2	5	3	3	5	7	7	8	8
Other Social Services	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	5	4	5	7	6	5	7	5	7	7
Poverty/Homeless/Hunger	3	4	4	4	4	2	3	I	7	8	6	5	6	4	6	6 🖫
Taxes/Tax Reform/GST	4	6	14	17	5	7	5	3	6	5	3	4	5	6	8	6
Environment	5	31	24	17	9	4	5	3	2	4	2	2	2	3	4	5 .
Immigration/Refugees	3	4	I	2	2	2	3	4	4	3	ı	2	3	2	3	4
Government/Politics	9	4	7	8	3	7	3	l	I	3	ı	2	3	3	3	3
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Trade Issues	37	15	4	7	8	6	16]	1	ı	0	ı	ı	ı	2.23 1	ı
Moral Issues/Abortion	20	16	2	I	2	Ī	I	0	2	2	I	0	0	0	1	ı
Language Issues	0	4	5	3	2	Ī	I	0	0	0	0	0	0	ı	I	0
International Issues	2	3	I	0	2	١.	ı	2	I	8	I	0	0	ı	0	0
Health/Social Services*	6	9	4	4	4	8	14	7	10	19	13	17	19	17	20	20
Other**	17	18	8	5	3	5	6	11	6	7	4	5	7	5	5	5
(Unsure)	10	8	5	3	3	8	2	6	5	6	5	4	5	5 .	5	6

^{*} These two items were presented together in previous soundings. Above, mentions for each are reported separately for July 1993 onwards.

** "Other" includes other specific policy issues mentioned by less than 2 percent of all respondents to the May 1996 survey.

Figures represent "Total Mentions": Up to three issues were accepted from each respondent, therefore, percents will exceed 100.

CANADIANS' CURRENT PUBLIC POLICY PRIORITIES ACROSS POPULATION GROUPINGS - May 1996 -

				REG	ION			GEN	IDER		AGE			INCOME	
	Canada	B.C.	Alberta	Man/Sask	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	<\$30K	\$30-59K	\$60K+
(Weighted Bases)	(1516) (%)	(185) (%)	(136) (%)	(113) (%)	(565) (%)	(389) (%)	(128) (%)	(738) (%)	(778) (%)	(559) (%)	(540) (%)	(413) (%)	(366) (%)	(550) (%)	(429) (%)
Unemployment	45	37	31	38	43	50	67	41	48	39	49	47	48	47	42
Unity/Quebec/Const.	41	36	35	38	45	41	41	50	34	37	44	43	27	39	54
The Economy	23	18	13	20	25	32	13	28	19	20	31	18	- 11	26	30
Deficit/Debt	23	39	35	16	23	17	13	27	19	24	25	19	17	23	30
Health Care	13	13	19	28	11	10	12	7	19	12	12	16	16	14	. 10
Crime/Justice	9	9	5	10	13	4	3	8	9	6	6	11	10	6	9
Education	8	9	8	. 11	10	4	10	5	11	11	7	5	11	9	6
Social Services	7	6	5	7	9	5	5	5	8	6	6	8	7	- 8	6
Poverty	6	4	5	7	5	7	8	3	8	8	6	4	10	6	3
Taxes	6	10	6	9	4	2	13	6	5	7	4	6	7	6	4
Environment	5	11	ı	5	5	3	9	5	5	7	4	3	6	4	5
lmmigration	4	6	3	0	4	3	2	4	3	3	5	3	3	3	5
Gov't/Politics	3	4	6	3	3		3 -	4.	2	l	2	6	4	2	3
Native Issues	2	5	2	ı	2	0		2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2

[&]quot;To begin with, thinking of the issues presently confronting Canada, which one do you feel should receive the greatest attention from Canada's leaders? What other issues do you think are important for Canada right now?"



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