

REPORT

**Freedom of Speech** 



**DATE** 2024-04-30

## Methodology



#### Method

Online survey among respondents 18 years of age or older.

(Canadian sample: n= 1,610/ American Samples: n= 1,008).

Respondents had the option of completing the survey in English or in French and were randomly recruited using LEO's online panel.



#### When

April 26 to April 28, 2024



#### Margin of error

For comparison purposes, a probability sample of this size yields a margin of error no greater than ±2.44%, (19 times out of 20) for the Canadian sample and ±3.09%, (19 times out of 20) for the American sample



#### Weighting

Results were weighted according to age, gender, mother tongue, region, education and presence of children in the household in order to ensure a representative sample of the Canadian population and according to age, gender, region, education, ethnicity, and number of people in the household in order to ensure a representative sample of the American population.



## Methodology



# Significant differences

Data in bold **red** characters indicate a significantly lower proportion than that of other respondents. Conversely, data in bold **green** characters indicate a significantly higher proportion than that of other respondents.



#### **Rounded data**

The numbers presented have been rounded up. However, the numbers before rounding were used to calculate the sums presented and might therefore not correspond to the manual addition of these numbers.



#### Questions

Have questions about the data presented in this report? Please contact Christian Bourque, Executive Vice-President, Eastern Canada at the following e-mail addresses: cbourque@leger360.com A more detailed methodology is presented in the Appendix.



## Methodology

Leger is the polling firm that has presented the most accurate election survey data, on average, over the last ten years in Canada. During the last federal election in 2021, Leger was once again the most accurate firm in the country. This accuracy is attributed to the quality of the LEO panel and rigorous application of methodological rules by Leger's 600 employees, including 200 professionals in Leger's eight offices across Canada (Montreal, Toronto, Quebec City, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver) and in the United States (New York).

Poll aggregator 338Canada.com gave Leger the highest rating among all polling firms in Canada for the accuracy of its studies. See <a href="https://338canada.com/pollster-ratings.htm">https://338canada.com/pollster-ratings.htm</a>

2021 CANADIAN FEDERAL ELECTION	<b>(%</b>	F	<b>+NDP</b>	B	PPC	
<b>LEGER SURVEY</b> Published in <i>Le Journal de Montréal</i> and The National Post/Postmedia September 18, 2021	33%	32%	19%	7%	6%	2%
<b>OFFICIAL RESULTS</b> 2021 <b>Canadian</b> Federal Election*	33.7%	32.6%	17.8%	7.7%	5.0%	2.3%





## **Key Highlights**

From April 26 to April 28, 2024, we surveyed Canadians and Americans to find out their opinions and perceptions on freedom of speech in their country.

# Some of the key highlights of our survey freedom of speech include...

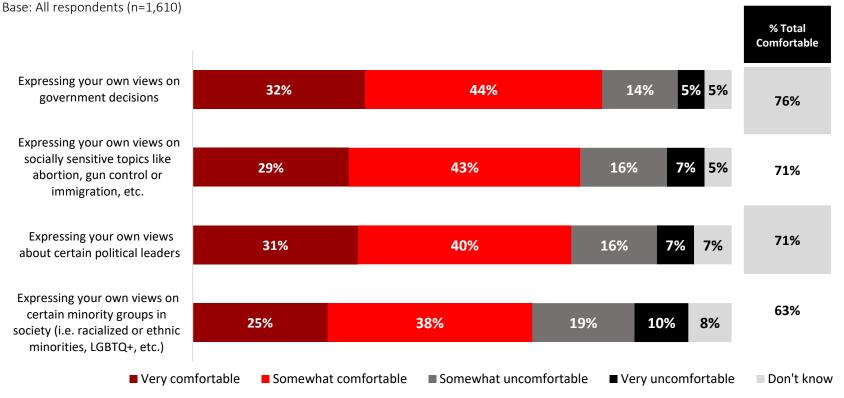
- Around three-quarters of Canadians are comfortable expressing their personal views on government decisions (76%), on socially sensitive topics (71%), and about certain political leaders (71%). A lesser proportion (63%) mentioned being comfortable expressing their views on certain minority groups in society.
- Most Canadians (61%) think their opinions are mostly socially acceptable, while 19% think they
  are mostly socially unacceptable and 19% don't know. Conservative voters are more likely to think their
  opinions are socially unacceptable (25%).
- 62% of Canadians think it is tougher to voice their opinion in their country, while 27% think it is easier. Conservative voters (70%) and Canadians aged 55 or older (70%) are more likely to think that it is tougher now to express their opinion.
- More than half of Canadians (57%) feel that freedom of speech is threatened in Canada, while more than onethird (36%) think the opposite. Conservative voters (76%) are more likely to think freedom of speech is threatened. Overall, Americans are more likely than Canadians to think that freedom of speech is threatened in their country.
- Six out of ten (60%) Canadians are confident that the next election will be free and fair, while 29% are not confident. Conservative voters are more likely to not be confident about the next election (40%).



## **Comfort Levels in Discussing Sensitive Topics (1/2)**



**Q1.** In your daily lives, to what extent do you feel comfortable or not to do the following:







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% Total Comfortable	Total Canada	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	АВ	ВС	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Urban	Sub- Urban	Rural
Unweighted n=	1,610	105	430	642	130	140	163	780	830	412	531	667	685	606	309
Expressing your own views on government decisions	76%	84%	81%	75%	77%	67%	71%	81%	71%	66%	<b>72</b> %	85%	75%	76%	81%
Expressing your own views on socially sensitive topics like abortion, gun control or immigration, etc.	71%	78%	79%	67%	69%	62%	76%	73%	69%	64%	69%	79%	71%	71%	75%
Expressing your own views about certain political leaders	71%	77%	79%	71%	72%	57%	68%	78%	64%	60%	66%	82%	69%	73%	74%
Expressing your own views on certain minority groups in society (i.e. racialized or ethnic minorities, LGBTQ+, etc.)	63%	66%	70%	61%	58%	54%	62%	63%	62%	59%	61%	66%	61%	62%	68%

## **Comfort Levels in Discussing Sensitive Topics**

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#### - Canada vs United States

**Q1.** In your daily lives, to what extent do you feel comfortable or not to do the following: Base: All respondents

% Total Comfortable	<b>*</b> Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Expressing your own views on government decisions	76%	76%	-
Expressing your own views on socially sensitive topics like abortion, gun control or immigration, etc.	71%	76%	5
Expressing your own views about certain political leaders	71%	74%	3
Expressing your own views on certain minority groups in society (i.e. racialized or ethnic minorities, LGBTQ+, etc.)	63%	69%	6



### Comfort Levels in Discussing Sensitive Topics - By Voting Intentions

**Q1.** In your daily lives, to what extent do you feel comfortable or not to do the following:

% Total Comfortable	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	BQ	GPC	PPC
Unweighted n=	1,610	481	327	254	128	64	28*
Expressing your own views on government decisions	76%	79%	84%	78%	91%	79%	70%
Expressing your own views on socially sensitive topics like abortion, gun control or immigration, etc.	71%	72%	78%	77%	88%	67%	72%
Expressing your own views about certain political leaders	71%	77%	80%	71%	87%	77%	61%
Expressing your own views on certain minority groups in society (i.e. racialized or ethnic minorities, LGBTQ+, etc.)	63%	60%	68%	<b>72</b> %	80%	63%	56%

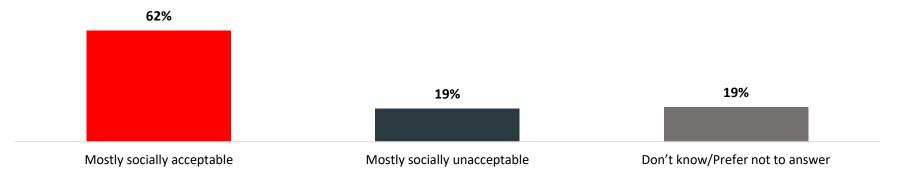
% Total Comfortable	Total United States	Republican	Democrat	Independent
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Expressing your own views on socially sensitive topics like abortion, gun control or immigration, etc.	76%	75%	81%	73%
Expressing your own views about certain political leaders	74%	76%	79%	71%
Expressing your own views on certain minority groups in society (i.e. racialized or ethnic minorities, LGBTQ+, etc.)	69%	64%	78%	65%



#### **Perception of Social Acceptability of Personal Opinions**

**Q2.** Based on what you see and hear around you at home, work or publicly, do you feel that your opinions tend to be mostly socially acceptable or mostly socially unacceptable?

Base: All respondents (n=1,610)



	Total Canada	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	АВ	ВС	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Urban	Sub- Urban	Rural
Unweighted n=	1,610	105	430	642	130	140	163	780	830	412	531	667	685	606	309
Mostly socially acceptable	62%	73%	71%	59%	51%	53%	64%	60%	64%	<b>57</b> %	62%	66%	61%	62%	65%
Mostly socially unacceptable	19%	9%	15%	20%	20%	30%	15%	20%	17%	24%	20%	14%	17%	20%	18%
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	19%	18%	14%	21%	29%	17%	21%	19%	19%	19%	18%	20%	22%	17%	16%

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Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Mostly socially acceptable	62%	61%	1
Mostly socially unacceptable	19%	20%	1
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	19%	19%	-

#### **Perception of Social Acceptability of Personal Opinions**



#### - By Voting Intentions

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Base: All respondents

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Mostly socially acceptable	62%	55%	72%	78%	82%	56%	57%
Mostly socially unacceptable	19%	25%	11%	12%	13%	34%	30%
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	19%	20%	17%	10%	5%	11%	12%

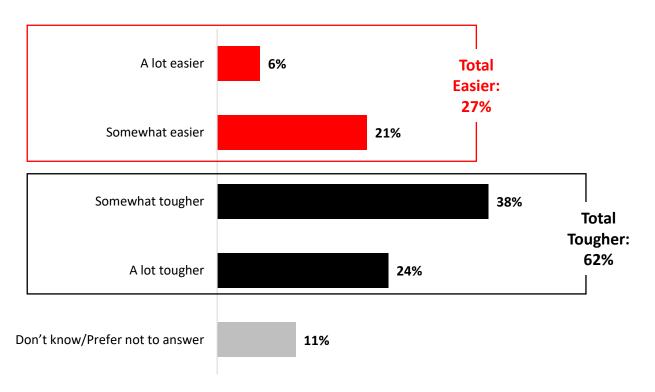
	Total United States	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Unweighted n=	1,008	273	342	335
Mostly socially acceptable	61%	66%	67%	<b>52</b> %
Mostly socially unacceptable	20%	21%	16%	22%
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	19%	13%	17%	25%

<sup>\*</sup>Given the small number of respondents (n<30) data are presented for illustrative purposes only.





**Q3.** Do you think it is getting easier or tougher to voice one's own opinions in your country? Base: All respondents (n=1,610)







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Unweighted n=	1,610	105	430	642	130	140	163	780	830	412	531	667	685	606	309
Total Easier	27%	30%	31%	25%	28%	23%	27%	28%	26%	38%	25%	22%	31%	24%	26%
A lot easier	6%	11%	9%	5%	3%	4%	2%	6%	6%	9%	4%	5%	6%	6%	5%
Somewhat easier	21%	19%	22%	20%	26%	19%	24%	23%	20%	29%	21%	17%	25%	18%	21%
Total Tougher	62%	61%	62%	63%	63%	64%	61%	62%	62%	50%	62%	70%	<b>57%</b>	66%	66%
Somewhat tougher	38%	40%	42%	38%	40%	30%	34%	36%	40%	29%	37%	44%	35%	41%	39%
A lot tougher	24%	21%	19%	25%	23%	34%	26%	26%	23%	21%	25%	26%	23%	25%	27%
I don't know	11%	9%	<b>7</b> %	12%	9%	13%	13%	10%	12%	13%	13%	<b>7</b> %	12%	10%	8%



#### **Ease of Voicing Opinions – Canada vs United States**

**Q3.** Do you think it is getting easier or tougher to voice one's own opinions in your country? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Total Easier	27%	30%	3
A lot easier	6%	11%	5
Somewhat easier	21%	19%	2
Total Tougher	62%	61%	1
Somewhat tougher	38%	33%	5
A lot tougher	24%	28%	4
I don't know	11%	10%	1





**Q3.** Do you think it is getting easier or tougher to voice one's own opinions in your country? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	ВQ	GPC	PPC
Unweighted n=	1,610	481	327	254	128	64	28*
Total Easier	27%	23%	34%	36%	33%	41%	35%
A lot easier	6%	4%	8%	6%	9%	4%	2%
Somewhat easier	21%	18%	26%	30%	24%	37%	32%
Total Tougher	62%	70%	58%	<b>53</b> %	64%	53%	63%
Somewhat tougher	38%	31%	46%	38%	43%	40%	24%
A lot tougher	24%	39%	11%	15%	20%	13%	39%
I don't know	11%	8%	8%	11%	4%	6%	3%

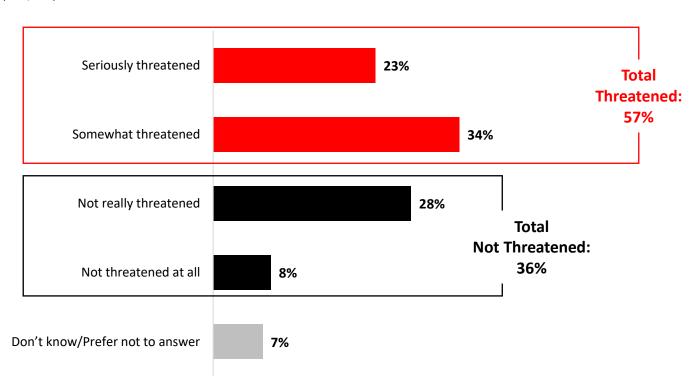
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Unweighted n=	1,008	273	342	335
Total Easier	30%	28%	41%	21%
A lot easier	11%	12%	<b>17%</b>	4%
Somewhat easier	19%	16%	23%	17%
Total Tougher	61%	65%	50%	69%
Somewhat tougher	33%	31%	35%	33%
A lot tougher	28%	34%	15%	36%
I don't know	10%	7%	10%	11%

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**Q4.** To what extent do you feel that freedom of speech is threatened or not in Canada? Base: All respondents (n=1,610)







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Unweighted n=	1,610	105	430	642	130	140	163	780	830	412	531	667	685	606	309
Total Threatened	57%	62%	54%	56%	64%	66%	54%	58%	57%	53%	57%	60%	54%	57%	66%
Seriously threatened	23%	20%	18%	22%	25%	36%	24%	25%	21%	23%	23%	22%	20%	25%	25%
Somewhat threatened	34%	42%	36%	34%	39%	30%	31%	33%	36%	31%	34%	38%	34%	32%	40%
Total Not Threatened	36%	34%	41%	36%	29%	30%	37%	36%	35%	38%	35%	35%	39%	36%	31%
Not really threatened	28%	20%	33%	27%	22%	22%	32%	28%	27%	29%	26%	29%	30%	27%	25%
Not threatened at all	8%	14%	7%	9%	8%	7%	5%	8%	8%	10%	9%	6%	9%	8%	6%
I don't know	<b>7</b> %	4%	6%	8%	7%	5%	8%	6%	8%	8%	8%	5%	7%	8%	3%



## Perceived Threat to Freedom of Speech – Canada vs United States

**Q4.** To what extent do you feel that freedom of speech is threatened or not in Canada/The United States? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Total Threatened	57%	69%	12
Seriously threatened	23%	32%	9
Somewhat threatened	34%	37%	3
Total Not threatened	36%	24%	12
Not really threatened	28%	17%	11
Not threatened at all	8%	7%	1
I don't know	7%	7%	-



#### Perceived Threat to Freedom of Speech – *By Voting Intentions*

**Q4.** To what extent do you feel that freedom of speech is threatened or not in Canada? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	BQ	GPC	PPC
Unweighted n=	1,610	481	327	254	128	64	28*
Total Threatened	57%	76%	35%	<b>42</b> %	61%	62%	72%
Seriously threatened	23%	40%	8%	8%	22%	13%	55%
Somewhat threatened	34%	36%	<b>27</b> %	35%	39%	49%	18%
Total Not threatened	36%	20%	61%	49%	38%	35%	28%
Not really threatened	28%	16%	46%	35%	34%	30%	13%
Not threatened at all	8%	4%	15%	13%	4%	5%	15%
I don't know	7%	4%	4%	9%	1%	3%	0%

	Total United States	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Unweighted n=	1,008	273	342	335
Total Threatened	69%	76%	60%	74%
Seriously threatened	32%	43%	18%	<b>37%</b>
Somewhat threatened	37%	33%	42%	37%
Total Not threatened	24%	21%	33%	18%
Not really threatened	17%	16%	21%	14%
Not threatened at all	7%	5%	12%	4%
I don't know	7%	4%	7%	8%

#### **Views on Limiting Freedom of Speech**



**Q5.** Which of the following two opinions comes closest to your personal view:

Base: All respondents (n=1,610)



There should be limits on freedom of speech to ensure that things such as hate speech, speeches preaching a form of intolerance, or speeches against democracy be prevented from reaching the public

Freedom of speech should never be limited in any way to all opinions to be debated publicly

Don't know/Prefer not to answer

11%

	Total Canada	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	АВ	ВС	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Urban	Sub- Urban	Rural
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There should be limits on freedom of speech to ensure that things such as hate speech, speeches preaching a form of intolerance, or speeches against democracy be prevented from reaching the public	44%	36%	48%	45%	41%	41%	44%	46%	42%	43%	38%	50%	47%	46%	38%
Freedom of speech should never be limited in any way to all opinions to be debated publicly	45%	51%	42%	44%	42%	53%	44%	47%	43%	48%	48%	41%	43%	43%	54%
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	11%	13%	10%	11%	17%	6%	12%	6%	15%	9%	15%	9%	10%	11%	9%

#### **Views on Limiting Freedom of Speech**

#### - Canada vs United States

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	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
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Freedom of speech should never be limited in any way to all opinions to be debated publicly	45%	57%	12
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	11%	9%	2





#### **Views on Limiting Freedom of Speech** – *By Voting Intentions*

**Q5.** Which of the following two opinions comes closest to your personal view:

	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	BQ	GPC	PPC
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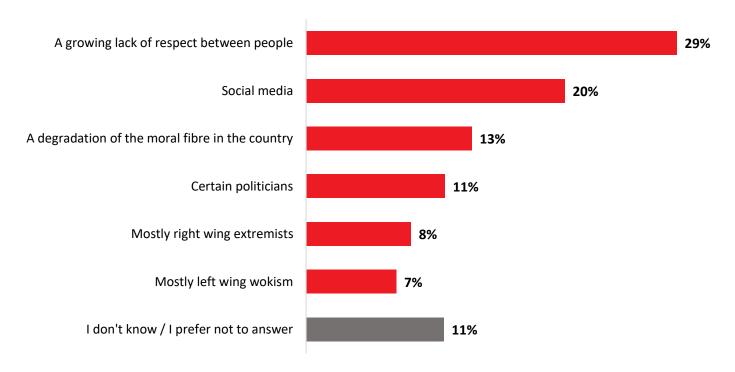
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Freedom of speech should never be limited in any way to all opinions to be debated publicly	57%	64%	48%	62%
Don't know/Prefer not to answer	9%	6%	9%	10%



#### Responsibility for Increased Hate Speech and Intolerance (1/2)

**Q6.** Some say that there has been an increase in hate speech and intolerance in our society. Among the following choices, who is mainly to blame for this:

Base: All respondents (n=1,610)





#### Responsibility for Increased Hate Speech and Intolerance (2/2)

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Social media	20%	20%	31%	16%	26%	14%	19%	21%	20%	22%	19%	20%	22%	18%	22%
A degradation of the moral fibre in the country	13%	16%	13%	14%	12%	12%	10%	16%	11%	14%	11%	14%	14%	13%	12%
Certain politicians	11%	16%	9%	11%	12%	13%	10%	11%	11%	12%	13%	9%	11%	12%	10%
Mostly right wing extremists	8%	7%	4%	10%	7%	10%	11%	8%	9%	5%	10%	9%	9%	7%	8%
Mostly left wing wokism	7%	3%	6%	7%	8%	10%	8%	9%	5%	6%	8%	7%	7%	8%	7%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	11%	17%	9%	12%	7%	8%	12%	7%	15%	15%	12%	7%	11%	10%	12%

#### **Responsibility for Increased Hate Speech and Intolerance**



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Mostly left wing wokism	7%	10%	3
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#### - By Voting Intentions

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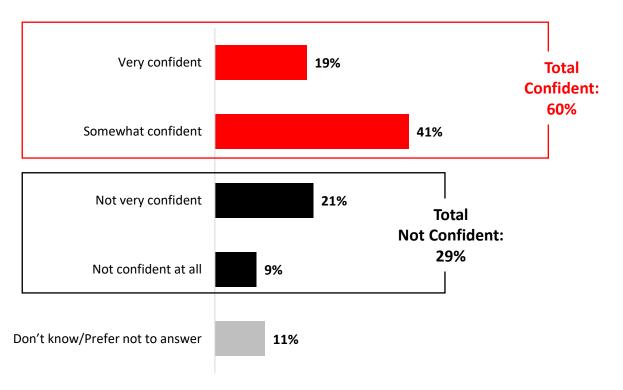
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Mostly right wing extremists	9%	5%	14%	10%
Mostly left wing wokism	10%	22%	1%	11%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	11%	8%	10%	13%



#### Confidence in the Integrity of Upcoming Federal (1/2)

**Q7.** When thinking about the next Federal election, to what extent do you feel confident this election will be free and fair? Base: All respondents (n=1,610)





#### Confidence in the Integrity of Upcoming Federal (2/2)

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Very confident	19%	28%	18%	19%	15%	17%	22%	24%	15%	<b>12</b> %	18%	25%	21%	19%	17%
Somewhat confident	41%	43%	46%	41%	48%	30%	36%	43%	39%	39%	35%	46%	42%	40%	41%
Total Not Confident	29%	19%	23%	30%	22%	45%	35%	27%	32%	32%	34%	24%	25%	32%	35%
Not very confident	21%	12%	15%	22%	13%	29%	28%	18%	23%	25%	21%	18%	20%	21%	21%
Not confident at all	9%	7%	8%	8%	9%	16%	7%	8%	9%	7%	14%	6%	5%	10%	14%
I don't know	11%	10%	13%	10%	14%	8%	7%	7%	14%	17%	13%	5%	13%	10%	7%

# Confidence in the Integrity of Upcoming Federal – Canada vs United States



**Q7.** When thinking about the next Federal election/Presidential Election, to what extent do you feel confident this election will be free and fair?

	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Total Confident	60%	52%	8
Very confident	19%	23%	4
Somewhat confident	41%	29%	12
Total Not Confident	29%	41%	12
Not very confident	21%	25%	4
Not confident at all	9%	16%	7
I don't know	11%	7%	6



## **Confidence in the Integrity of Upcoming Federal** – By Voting Intentions

**Q7.** When thinking about the next Federal election, to what extent do you feel confident this election will be free and fair? Base: All respondents

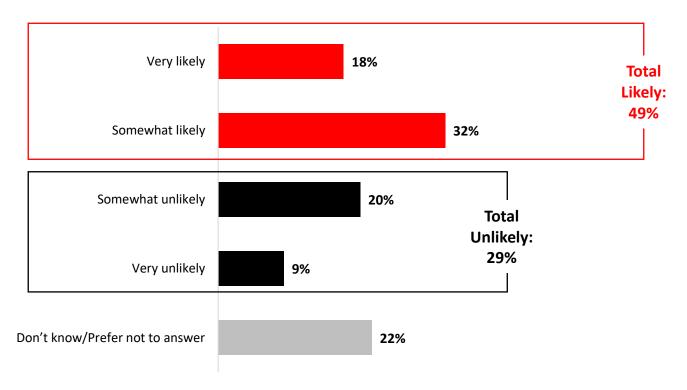
	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	BQ	GPC	PPC
Unweighted n=	1,610	481	327	254	128	64	28*
Total Confident	60%	54%	85%	<b>75%</b>	72%	61%	33%
Very confident	19%	13%	45%	25%	16%	14%	6%
Somewhat confident	41%	42%	40%	50%	56%	47%	27%
Total Not Confident	29%	40%	9%	18%	25%	39%	61%
Not very confident	21%	31%	6%	<b>15%</b>	17%	35%	27%
Not confident at all	9%	9%	3%	3%	8%	4%	34%
I don't know	11%	6%	6%	6%	3%	0%	7%

	Total United States	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Unweighted n=	1,008	273	342	335
Total Confident	52%	39%	78%	40%
Very confident	23%	17%	38%	15%
Somewhat confident	29%	22%	40%	26%
Total Not Confident	41%	<b>57</b> %	16%	54%
Not very confident	25%	34%	11%	32%
Not confident at all	16%	22%	5%	22%
I don't know	7%	4%	6%	6%





**Q8.** In your view, what is the likelihood of foreign governments, like Russia or China, intervening in the next election? Base: All respondents (n=1,610)







**Q8.** In your view, what is the likelihood of foreign governments, like Russia or China, intervening in the next election? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	АВ	ВС	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Urban	Sub- Urban	Rural
Unweighted n=	1,610	105	430	642	130	140	163	780	830	412	531	667	685	606	309
Total Likely	49%	46%	43%	48%	57%	58%	55%	<b>57</b> %	42%	38%	43%	<b>62</b> %	46%	51%	53%
Very likely	18%	16%	14%	15%	18%	26%	25%	23%	<b>12%</b>	14%	16%	21%	17%	19%	16%
Somewhat likely	32%	30%	29%	33%	39%	32%	29%	34%	30%	24%	<b>27%</b>	41%	29%	32%	37%
Total Unlikely	29%	33%	33%	28%	23%	29%	26%	30%	28%	34%	32%	24%	33%	25%	28%
Somewhat unlikely	20%	27%	26%	17%	19%	17%	17%	20%	20%	22%	21%	18%	21%	18%	21%
Very unlikely	9%	6%	7%	11%	4%	12%	9%	10%	8%	12%	11%	6%	12%	6%	8%
I don't know	22%	21%	24%	24%	20%	13%	20%	13%	30%	28%	25%	<b>15</b> %	20%	24%	18%

## **Perceived Risk of Foreign Intervention**



#### - Canada vs United States

**Q8.** In your view, what is the likelihood of foreign governments, like Russia or China, intervening in the next election? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	Total USA	Gap
Unweighted n=	1,610	1,008	
Total Likely	49%	52%	3
Very likely	18%	24%	6
Somewhat likely	32%	28%	4
Total Unlikely	29%	29%	-
Somewhat unlikely	20%	14%	6
Very unlikely	9%	14%	5
I don't know	22%	19%	3



#### Perceived Risk of Foreign Intervention – By Voting Intentions

**Q8.** In your view, what is the likelihood of foreign governments, like Russia or China, intervening in the next election? Base: All respondents

	Total Canada	СРС	LPC	NDP	ВQ	GPC	PPC
Unweighted n=	1,610	481	327	254	128	64	28*
Total Likely	49%	58%	54%	46%	63%	50%	37%
Very likely	18%	24%	20%	14%	21%	15%	18%
Somewhat likely	32%	34%	33%	33%	43%	36%	18%
Total Unlikely	29%	26%	32%	36%	29%	38%	32%
Somewhat unlikely	20%	18%	23%	24%	23%	22%	17%
Very unlikely	9%	9%	9%	13%	6%	16%	15%
I don't know	22%	15%	14%	17%	<b>7</b> %	<b>12</b> %	31%

	Total United States	Republican	Democrat	Independent
Unweighted n=	1,008	273	342	335
Total Likely	52%	50%	59%	51%
Very likely	24%	23%	32%	19%
Somewhat likely	28%	27%	28%	32%
Total Unlikely	29%	33%	25%	31%
Somewhat unlikely	14%	17%	12%	15%
Very unlikely	14%	16%	13%	15%
I don't know	19%	17%	16%	18%

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# Detailed Methodology



## Weighted and Unweighted Sample (1/3)

The table below presents the Canadian geographic distribution of respondents before weighting.

	Unweighted	Weighted
Province	1,610	1,610
British Columbia	163	224
Alberta	140	179
Manitoba/Saskatchewan	130	104
Ontario	642	623
Quebec	430	372
Atlantic	105	108

The table below presents the American geographic distribution of respondents before weighting.

	Unweighted	Weighted
US Region	1,008	1,008
NorthEast	190	177
MidWest	210	209
South	401	383
West	207	238



## Weighted and Unweighted Sample (2/3)

The following tables present the demographic distribution of respondents according to gender, age and language (mother tongue) for Canada.

The table below presents the Canadian geographic distribution of respondents before weighting.

	Unweighted	Weighted
Gender	1,610	1,610
Male	780	785
Female	830	825
Age	1,610	1,610
18 to 34	412	429
35 to 54	531	518
55+	667	662
Language (Mother tongue)	1,610	1,610
English	1,031	1,099
French	376	318
Other	199	188



## Weighted and Unweighted Sample (3/3)

The following tables present the demographic distribution of respondents according to gender and age for the United States.

	Unweighted	Weighted
Gender	1,008	1,008
Male	500	508
Female	508	515
Age	1,008	1,008
Between 18 and 29	105	201
Between 30 and 39	224	177
Between 40 and 49	160	161
Between 50 and 64	268	249
65 or older	251	219



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