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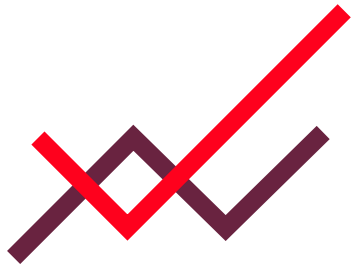


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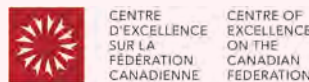
The Confederation of Tomorrow surveys give voice to Canadians about the major issues shaping the future of the federation and their political communities. They have been conducted annually since 2019 by an association of the country's leading public policy and socio-economic research organizations.

The 2026 study consists of a survey of 5,696 adults, conducted between February 14 and March 28, 2026 (92% of the responses were collected between February 19 and March 7); 91 percent of the responses were collected online. The remaining responses were collected by telephone (both landline and cell phone) from respondents living in the North or on First Nations reserves, or from francophone respondents in New Brunswick.

The survey is conducted on behalf of all the survey partners by the Environics Institute for Survey Research. The fieldwork is managed by Elemental DCI. The online portion of the survey drew respondents from the Leger LEO panel; the telephone interviews were conducted by Elemental DCI.

The survey data are weighted in three separate ways, depending on the population of interest. First, the complete survey data are weighted by region, gender, age, education, home language (separately for Quebec, New Brunswick and the rest of Canada) and Indigenous identity, so as to be representative of the Canadian population. Second, the territorial sample (when reported separately) is weighted by gender, age and education. Third, the Indigenous sample (when reported separately) is weighted by gender, age, region and education.

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QNEW6. In your opinion, is it very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important for Canada to maintain good relations with the United States?

	Provinces/Territories															Regions					
	Total	NFL	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YK	NT	NU	TERR	ATL	MAR	PRA	WST	TER	ROC
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)	(T)	(U)
Weighted 'N'	5696	89	26	153	130	1350	2148	200	171	637	760	11	15	5	31	399	310	1008	1768	31	4346
Unweighted 'N'	5696	304	204	301	303	1247	884	413	425	617	543	241	164	50	455	1112	808	1455	1998	455	4449
Very important	1646 29%	24 27%	6 25%	45 29%	26 20%	374 28%	611 28%	71 36%	51 30%	218 34%	204 27%	4 36%	7 49%	3 46%	14 44%	102 26%	78 25%	340 34%	544 31%	14 44%	1271 29%
				E		E	E	CEFGK	E	EFK			BCEFGK	E	BCDEFGIK			PQU	PQ	PQSU	
Somewhat important	2712 48%	43 48%	12 45%	71 46%	64 49%	676 50%	1014 47%	92 46%	83 48%	270 42%	376 50%	3 33%	6 37%	2 31%	11 34%	190 48%	147 47%	445 44%	822 46%	11 34%	2036 47%
					O	JO			O		O				T						
Not very important	685 12%	12 14%	5 19%	19 12%	18 14%	159 12%	244 11%	19 9%	18 10%	84 13%	106 14%	1 8%	1 3%	1 14%	2 7%	54 13%	42 13%	120 12%	226 13%	2 7%	526 12%
			HIMO																		
Not at all important	322 6%	5 6%	2 7%	7 5%	8 6%	43 3%	157 7%	9 5%	10 6%	31 5%	46 6%	2 23%	0 3%	0 6%	3 10%	23 6%	17 6%	50 5%	96 5%	3 10%	279 6%
							F				F	GHIJKMNO			F						
Cannot say	332 6%	4 5%	1 4%	12 8%	13 10%	98 7%	121 6%	9 4%	9 5%	35 5%	28 4%	0 0%	1 8%	0 3%	1 5%	30 8%	26 8%	53 5%	81 5%	1 5%	234 5%
				KL	BCGHIJKLO	KL	L		L	L			L		RSU	RSU					
NET: Important	4358 77%	67 76%	18 70%	116 76%	91 70%	1050 78%	1625 76%	163 82%	135 78%	488 77%	580 76%	7 69%	13 85%	4 77%	24 78%	292 73%	225 73%	786 78%	1366 77%	24 78%	3308 76%
						E	CE		E									PQ	Q		
NET: Not important	1007 18%	18 20%	7 26%	26 17%	26 20%	202 15%	402 19%	28 14%	28 16%	114 18%	151 20%	3 31%	1 7%	1 20%	5 17%	76 19%	59 19%	170 17%	321 18%	5 17%	805 19%
			FHIM									HM									

Comparison Groups: BCDEFGHIJKLMNO/PQRSTU

Independent T-Test for Means (equal variances), Independent Z-Test for Percentages (unpooled proportions)

Uppercase letters indicate significance at the 95% level.

Your [provincial/territorial] government	1330	20	5	27	16	375	372	58	63	225	162	2	4	1	7	68	48	347	509	7	956
	23%	23%	19%	18%	12%	28%	17%	29%	37%	35%	21%	16%	23%	25%	21%	17%	15%	34%	29%	21%	22%
Both equally	1499	21	4	39	32	314	636	58	37	118	231	2	5	3	10	97	76	212	443	10	1185
	26%	24%	17%	26%	25%	23%	30%	29%	21%	19%	30%	15%	35%	50%	31%	24%	25%	21%	25%	31%	27%
Trust neither government	1129	23	5	37	40	253	425	35	30	87	186	3	4	1	7	105	82	153	339	7	876
	20%	26%	18%	24%	31%	19%	20%	18%	18%	14%	25%	28%	24%	13%	23%	26%	26%	15%	19%	23%	20%
Cannot say	549	8	2	14	18	180	168	24	15	45	72	1	1	0	2	43	35	84	156	2	369
	10%	10%	8%	9%	14%	13%	8%	12%	9%	7%	9%	11%	7%	0%	7%	11%	11%	8%	9%	7%	8%
		N		N	CGJNO	CGIJKMNO	N	JN	N		N	N									

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Independent T-Test for Means (equal variances), Independent Z-Test for Percentages (unpooled proportions)

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Q25J. Which level of government do you trust more in the following areas: Managing trade relations with other countries

	Total	Provinces/Territories														Regions					
		NFL	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YK	NT	NU	TERR	ATL	MAR	PRA	WST	TER	ROC
		(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)	(T)
Weighted 'N'	5665	89	26	153	130	1350	2148	200	171	637	760	-	-	-	-	399	310	1008	1768	-	4315
Unweighted 'N'	5241	304	204	301	303	1247	884	413	425	617	543	-	-	-	-	1112	808	1455	1998	-	3994
The federal government	2631	41	15	79	54	681	1020	77	62	291	311	-	-	-	-	189	148	430	742	-	1950
	46%	46%	58%	51%	42%	50%	47%	39%	36%	46%	41%					47%	48%	43%	42%		45%
		I	BEHIJK	EHIK		EHIK	HI			I						S	S				
Your [provincial/territorial] government	560	5	1	7	6	138	176	24	33	101	67	-	-	-	-	20	15	158	226	-	421
	10%	5%	6%	4%	5%	10%	8%	12%	19%	16%	9%					5%	5%	16%	13%		10%
						BDE	BCDE	BCDEFGHK	BCDEFGK									PQU	PQU		PQ
Both equally	1059	16	3	29	28	225	402	37	37	107	175	-	-	-	-	77	60	181	355	-	834
	19%	18%	11%	19%	22%	17%	19%	19%	21%	17%	23%					19%	19%	18%	20%		19%
				C	C		C	C	C		CFJ										
Trust neither government	939	19	4	27	27	170	384	43	26	89	151	-	-	-	-	77	58	158	308	-	769
	17%	22%	16%	17%	21%	13%	18%	21%	15%	14%	20%					19%	19%	16%	17%		18%

		FJ			FJ		F	FJ			FJ										
Cannot say	476	7	3	12	14	136	166	19	14	48	56	-	-	-	-	36	29	81	138	-	340
	8%	8%	10%	8%	11%	10%	8%	10%	8%	8%	7%					9%	9%	8%	8%		8%

Comparison Groups: BCDEFGHIJKLMNO/PQRSTU

Independent T-Test for Means (equal variances), Independent Z-Test for Percentages (unpooled proportions)

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Q79. Do you think the federal and provincial/territorial governments are working very well together, somewhat well, not very well or are they not working at all well together?

	Total ----- (A)	Provinces/Territories =====														Regions =====					
		NFL ----- (B)	PEI ----- (C)	NS ----- (D)	NB ----- (E)	QC ----- (F)	ON ----- (G)	MB ----- (H)	SK ----- (I)	AB ----- (J)	BC ----- (K)	YK ----- (L)	NT ----- (M)	NU ----- (N)	TERR ----- (O)	ATL ----- (P)	MAR ----- (Q)	PRA ----- (R)	WST ----- (S)	TER ----- (T)	ROC ----- (U)
Weighted 'N'	5696	89	26	153	130	1350	2148	200	171	637	760	11	15	5	31	399	310	1008	1768	31	4346
Unweighted 'N'	5696	304	204	301	303	1247	884	413	425	617	543	241	164	50	455	1112	808	1455	1998	455	4449
Very well	281 5% F	5 6% FIJ	3 11% FIJ	12 8% FIJ	10 8% FIJ	34 3% FJ	137 6% FJ	14 7% FJ	6 3% FJ	18 3% FJ	36 5% FJ	1 8% BCDEFGHIJK	4 27% BCDEFGHIJK	1 14% BDEFGHIJK	6 18% BDEFGHIJK	30 8% RS	25 8% RS	38 4% RS	74 4% RS	6 18% PQRSU	247 6% PQRSU
Somewhat well	2434 43% FIJ	45 50% J	11 43% J	64 41% J	55 42% J	484 36% J	1076 50% DEFIJ	89 45% FIJ	60 35% FIJ	186 29% FIJ	349 46% FIJ	6 53% J	7 46% J	3 50% J	15 49% FJ	174 44% RS	129 42% R	336 33% R	684 39% R	15 49% R	1950 45% RS
Not very well	1862 33% MO	22 24% MO	6 25% MO	42 28% MO	35 27% MO	576 43% GHKLMNO	582 27% MO	59 29% MO	68 39% GHKLMNO	262 41% GHKLMNO	207 27% MO	2 15% MO	1 8% MO	1 12% MO	3 11% MO	106 27% T	84 27% T	388 39% PQSTU	595 34% PQTU	3 11% PQTU	1286 30% T
Not at all well	510 9% H	6 7% H	3 12% H	13 9% H	13 10% H	114 8% H	152 7% H	11 6% H	23 13% BFGHKL	112 17% DEFGHKLO	60 8% DEFGHKLO	0 2% BDFGHKL	2 11% BDFGHKL	1 21% BDFGHKL	3 10% BDFGHKL	36 9% PQU	30 10% PQU	145 14% PQU	206 12% U	3 10% U	397 9% U
Cannot say	609 11% GIJN	11 13% GIJN	2 9% GIJN	23 15% GIJN	17 13% GIJN	142 11% GIJN	201 9% GIJN	27 13% GIJN	15 9% GIJN	59 9% GIJN	108 14% GIJN	2 23% CFGIJMN	1 8% CFGIJMN	0 3% CFGIJMN	4 12% CFGIJMN	53 13% R	42 14% R	101 10% R	209 12% R	4 12% R	467 11% R
NET: Well	2715 48% FIJ	50 56% FIJ	14 54% FIJ	75 49% FIJ	65 50% FIJ	518 38% J	1214 57% FIJ	103 52% FIJ	66 39% FIJ	204 32% FIJ	384 51% FIJ	6 61% DEFHIJK	11 73% DEFHIJK	3 64% FIJ	21 67% DEFHIJK	204 51% RS	154 50% RS	374 37% RS	758 43% R	21 67% PQRSU	2197 51% RS
NET: Not well	2373 42% LO	28 31% LO	10 37% LO	55 36% LO	48 37% LO	690 51% EGHKLMO	734 34% LO	70 35% LO	90 53% GHKLMNO	373 59% GHKLMNO	267 35% LO	2 17% LO	3 19% LO	2 33% LO	6 21% LO	141 35% T	113 37% T	534 53% PQSTU	801 45% PQTU	6 21% PQTU	1683 39% T

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Q80. When there is a conflict between the federal government and your provincial/territorial government, which one do you think is usually to blame?

	Provinces/Territories															Regions					
	Total	NFL	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YK	NT	NU	TERR	ATL	MAR	PRA	WST	TER	ROC
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)	(T)	(U)
Weighted 'N'	5696	89	26	153	130	1350	2148	200	171	637	760	11	15	5	31	399	310	1008	1768	31	4346
Unweighted 'N'	5696	304	204	301	303	1247	884	413	425	617	543	241	164	50	455	1112	808	1455	1998	455	4449
Federal government is to blame	994	19	4	22	15	255	263	49	48	162	152	2	2	1	5	59	40	259	412	5	739
	17%	21%	14%	14%	11%	19%	12%	25%	28%	25%	20%	18%	16%	15%	16%	15%	13%	26%	23%	16%	17%
		EG				EG		CDEG	CDEFGKO	CDEFG	EG							PQU	PQU		Q
The [provincial/territorial] government is to blame	969	12	7	24	11	163	469	14	26	176	63	1	1	0	2	54	43	216	279	2	805
	17%	13%	28%	16%	9%	12%	22%	7%	15%	28%	8%	5%	9%	8%	7%	14%	14%	21%	16%	7%	19%
		BDEFHIKLMNO		EHK		H EFHIKLMO			EHK	FHIKLMNO								PQST	T		PQT
Both are equally to blame	2934	46	12	79	78	730	1139	100	77	228	423	7	10	4	20	215	170	406	829	20	2203
	52%	51%	48%	52%	60%	54%	53%	50%	45%	36%	56%	65%	65%	66%	65%	54%	55%	40%	47%	65%	51%
		J	J	J	HIJ	IJ	IJ	J	J		IJ	J	J	J	CHIJ	RS	RS		R	RSU	R
Cannot say	800	13	3	28	26	201	277	36	20	71	121	1	2	1	3	70	57	127	248	3	598
	14%	15%	10%	18%	20%	15%	13%	18%	11%	11%	16%	13%	10%	11%	11%	18%	18%	13%	14%	11%	14%
				CIJ	CGIJO			CIJ								RSU	RSU				

Comparison Groups: BCDEFGHIJKLMNO/PQRSTU

Independent T-Test for Means (equal variances), Independent Z-Test for Percentages (unpooled proportions)

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QNEW5A. The federal government has said it would like to speed up the construction of new transportation and energy infrastructure. Thinking about this policy, which of the following two options do you prefer?

	Provinces/Territories															Regions					
	Total	NFL	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YK	NT	NU	TERR	ATL	MAR	PRA	WST	TER	ROC
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)	(T)	(U)

Weighted 'N'	2733	41	11	70	67	691	1047	95	84	278	332	5	11	2	17	189	148	457	789	17	2041
Unweighted 'N'	2767	137	93	142	156	629	424	207	206	283	255	111	103	21	235	528	391	696	951	235	2138
Act quickly to expand transportation and energy infrastructure, even if	885	11	6	25	21	166	377	27	33	104	111	1	3	0	4	63	52	164	274	4	719
	32%	26%	58%	37%	30%	24%	36%	28%	39%	37%	33%	14%	32%	24%	26%	33%	35%	36%	35%	26%	35%
		BDEFGHIJKLNO			F		F		BF	F	F										
Work to expand transportation and energy infrastructure, but ensure	1440	21	4	36	30	430	513	53	38	121	182	4	7	1	12	91	70	212	394	12	1010
	53%	51%	36%	51%	44%	62%	49%	56%	45%	44%	55%	80%	67%	76%	71%	48%	47%	46%	50%	71%	49%
						CEGIJ		CJ			CJ	CEGIJ	C	CDEGIJ	BCDEGIJ						PQRSU
Cannot say	407	9	1	8	17	95	156	15	14	53	39	0	0	-	0	36	26	82	121	0	313
	15%	23%	7%	12%	25%	14%	15%	16%	16%	19%	12%	6%	1%		2%	19%	18%	18%	15%	2%	15%
		CDFKMO			MO	DFGKLMO	MO	CMO	CMO	CMO	CKMO	MO				T	T	T	T		T

Comparison Groups: BCDEFGHIJKLMNO/PQRSTU

Independent T-Test for Means (equal variances), Independent Z-Test for Percentages (unpooled proportions)

Uppercase letters indicate significance at the 95% level.

QNEW5B. The federal government has said it would like to speed up the construction of new transportation and energy infrastructure. Thinking about this policy, which of the following two options do you prefer?

	Total ----- (A)	Provinces/Territories =====														Regions =====					
		NFL -----	PEI ----	NS -----	NB ----	QC -----	ON -----	MB -----	SK ----	AB -----	BC -----	YK -----	NT -----	NU -----	TERR -----	ATL -----	MAR -----	PRA -----	WST -----	TER -----	ROC -----
		(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)	(T)	(U)
Weighted 'N'	2963	48	15	83	63	658	1101	105	87	359	428	6	4	4	14	209	161	551	979	14	2305
Unweighted 'N'	2929	167	111	159	147	618	460	206	219	334	288	130	61	29	220	584	417	759	1047	220	2311
Act quickly to expand transportation and energy infrastructure, even if	1035	14	5	27	20	180	384	40	39	149	174	1	2	1	4	66	51	228	402	4	856
	35%	29%	32%	32%	31%	27%	35%	38%	44%	42%	41%	19%	39%	26%	27%	31%	32%	41%	41%	27%	37%
							F	F	BDEF	BF	BF							PQ	PQ		P
Expand transportation and energy infrastructure, but take	1510	25	7	42	31	383	577	43	38	157	197	5	2	3	9	105	80	237	435	9	1127
	51%	53%	49%	50%	49%	58%	52%	41%	44%	44%	46%	79%	38%	67%	63%	50%	50%	43%	44%	63%	49%
						HIJK	H					HIJK			HIJ	R				RS	
Cannot say	418	9	3	15	12	96	140	22	10	53	57	0	1	0	1	39	30	86	143	1	322
	14%	18%	18%	18%	19%	15%	13%	21%	12%	15%	13%	2%	22%	7%	10%	18%	19%	16%	15%	10%	14%
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