

FREE TRADE @ 20 SES-POLICY OPTIONS EXCLUSIVE POLL: CANADIANS, AMERICANS AGREE BOTH BETTER OFF WITH FREE TRADE



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On the 20th anniversary of the negotiation of the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement, *Policy Options* asked SES Research to measure support for free trade in both Canada and the United States. In this exclusive poll, Canadians and Americans not only agree free trade has been good, but they agree it is important to our two countries' competitiveness in the global economy, and are confident about the prospects of deepening economic integration. The FTA is seen as a success and the level of confidence runs high across the board — in all regions of both countries, in all age groups and in all educational demographics. "What is most striking about the results," writes pollster Nik Nanos, "was that in both Canada and the United States the intensity of support for free trade in many instances was ten times stronger than the intensity against it on a number of elements."

Canadians and Americans agree — free trade has been good for both Canada and the United States, and both countries would be worse off without it.

Furthermore, two-thirds of Canadians and Americans agree free trade is the foundation to compete globally. And three out of four Canadians and Americans agree free trade is important to enhancing North America's prosperity.

These are among the principal findings of an SES Research poll conducted exclusively for *Policy Options* in conjunction with its special issue to be released October 3 on the 20th anniversary of the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement. The special issue features articles by leading trade policy authorities in both Canada and the United States, as well as a 20-year economic impact study by Royal Bank of Canada.

The SES Research poll was conducted on-line on September 17 and 18, among representative random samples of 1,083 Canadians and 1,087 Americans, and each sample is considered accurate to within a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percent, 19 times out of 20.

Canadians and Americans are confident about the future. In spite of border security concerns in the wake of 9/11,

a strong majority of Americans, and nearly two-thirds of Canadians, are in favour of enhancing the free movement of people between Canada and the United States. Three Americans in four and two Canadians in three favour stronger economic ties between Canada and the United States.

Wide majorities in both countries — two-thirds of Canadians and nearly three-quarters of Americans — favour building a more integrated railway, highway and air transportation system between Canada and the United States.

The Free Trade Agreement is seen as a success and the level of confidence runs high across the board — in all regions of both countries, in all age groups and among all educational demographics.

What is most striking about the results was that in both Canada and the United States the intensity of support for free trade in many instances was 10 times stronger than the intensity against it on a number of elements.

However controversial and contested the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement was 20 years ago, the results have clearly been beneficial to both economies, and have bolstered confidence in the prospects of deepening economic integration going forward.

In several years of our SES Research project on public opinion in Canada and the United States, which we conduct

annually with the State University of New York at Buffalo, we have seldom polled a public policy issue on which Canadians and Americans so consistently agreed.

In our poll, coinciding with the special *Policy Options* issue on the 20th anniversary of the FTA, 57 percent of Canadians and 55.6 percent of Americans said their country would be worse off without free trade between Canada and the United States. While 25 percent of Canadians said Canada would be better off, only 19.1 percent of Americans said they would better off without free trade.

As for the importance of free trade to enabling their countries to compete globally, Canadians and Americans agreed. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being not at all important and 10 extremely important) 69 percent of Canadians and 71 percent of Americans gave it an importance rating of 7 or greater. Only 2.4 percent of Americans and 3.2 percent of Canadians said it was not at all important.

Again, on a scale of 1 to 10 from not at all to extremely important, 73 percent

of Canadians and 77 percent of Americans rated the importance of free trade a 7 or higher on the issue of ensuring North America's future economic prosperity. Only 2.7 percent of Canadians and 1.6 percent of Americans said it was not at all important.

Significantly, the intensity of importance was astonishingly high. Both Canadians and Americans were on average 10 times more likely to say free trade was extremely important to competing globally and ensuring economic prosperity than those that said free trade was not at all important for those two areas.

Going forward, 64 percent of Canadians support (36.6 percent) or somewhat support (27.1 percent) the free movement of people between Canada and the United States. And despite the security concerns arising from the events of 9/11, 58 percent of Americans support (28.1 percent) or somewhat support (29.8 percent) the free movement of people across the Canada-US border.

When we asked Canadians about deepening economic integration, 67 percent of Canadians supported (35.2 percent) or somewhat supported (31.6 percent) stronger economic ties

between Canada and the United States. Only 12 percent of Canadians were opposed or somewhat opposed.

Finally, when we asked about improving transportation ties between our two countries, Canadians (72 percent) and Americans (67 percent) were overwhelmingly in favour of building a more integrated rail, highway and air transportation system linking Canada and the United States. Only 8 percent of Canadians and only 7 percent of Americans were opposed.

There is little room for doubt in any of these polling numbers. Although in the 1980s some Canadians were concerned about free trade, 20 years later the decision to move forward with it, and its benefits, are part of Canada's popular wisdom. By conclusive margins, both Canadians and Americans regard free trade as a success, agree they would be worse off without it, think it is important for their country's ability to compete in the global economy, and support deepening economic integration between Canada and the United States.

QUESTION 1. ON A SCALE OF 1 TO 10, WITH 1 BEING NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT AND 10 BEING EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE IMPORTANCE OF FREE TRADE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES ON ENABLING NORTH AMERICAN COMPANIES TO COMPETE GLOBALLY?

A. CANADA

		Total	Not at all important	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Extremely important
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	3.2	0.6	1.8	1.7	13.3	10.6	15.0	17.8	11.2	24.8
Gender	Male	534	3.7	0.7	2.2	1.9	9.4	11.2	13.3	17.8	12.5	27.2
	Female	549	2.7	0.4	1.5	1.5	17.1	10.0	16.6	17.9	9.8	22.6
Age	18 to 24	124	5.6	1.6	3.2	2.4	19.4	12.9	12.1	16.1	12.9	13.7
	25 to 34	185	2.7	0.5	1.6	2.2	14.6	13.5	16.8	21.1	8.1	18.9
	35 to 44	239	3.8	0	0.8	2.1	15.1	14.6	15.1	15.1	10.0	23.4
	45 to 54	217	2.8	0.9	1.8	1.8	14.3	7.4	16.6	18.0	10.1	26.3
	55 to 64	132	3.8	0.8	3.8	0.8	6.1	10.6	13.6	22.0	11.4	27.3
	65 and older	186	1.6	0	1.1	0.5	9.7	4.8	14.0	16.1	15.6	36.6
Education	High school or less	311	2.6	1.0	0.6	1.9	18.0	13.5	14.8	13.8	9.3	24.4
	College	443	4.7	0.5	1.4	1.1	13.5	8.8	15.8	17.6	11.3	25.3
	University	255	2.0	0.4	3.5	2.7	7.8	11.4	16.1	22.0	11.8	22.4
	Post-graduate	74	1.4	0	4.1	0	10.8	6.8	6.8	21.6	16.2	32.4
Income	Less than \$25,000	230	5.2	0.9	0.9	2.2	16.5	8.3	15.7	17.8	10.4	22.2
	\$25,000-\$39,999	231	3.9	0.9	2.2	1.7	14.7	16.9	15.6	10.0	10.4	23.8
	\$40,000-\$49,999	138	2.9	0	2.9	2.2	12.3	12.3	12.3	17.4	13.0	24.6
	\$50,000-\$74,999	240	1.7	0.4	2.5	0.8	12.5	5.4	14.6	24.2	12.1	25.8
	\$75,000 or more	244	2.5	0.4	1.2	1.6	10.2	11.1	15.6	19.3	10.7	27.5
Region	Atlantic	69	1.4	0	4.3	2.9	21.7	1.4	20.3	15.9	8.7	23.2
	Quebec	295	4.1	0.3	2.0	3.4	15.9	15.6	17.6	18.0	8.5	14.6
	Ontario	399	3.3	1.0	0.8	1.0	11.3	10.0	10.0	18.3	15.5	28.8
	AB/Prairies	179	1.7	0.6	2.8	0.6	8.9	7.8	17.9	19.0	11.7	29.1
	British Columbia	141	4.3	0	2.1	0.7	14.9	9.9	17.0	15.6	5.0	30.5

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Not at all important	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Extremely important
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	2.4	0.3	2.5	2.2	12.0	10.0	12.5	17.9	11.0	29.2
Gender	Male	521	2.9	0.2	2.0	2.7	8.0	6.9	12.4	20.0	11.4	33.5
	Female	566	1.9	0.5	2.9	1.8	15.6	12.8	12.6	16.0	10.6	25.2
Age	Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	18 to 24	145	5.3	0	3.1	3.8	21.0	10.0	12.8	12.3	7.3	24.5
	25 to 34	206	3.5	0.9	3.3	0.4	11.6	13.9	15.4	16.3	9.1	25.6
	35 to 44	240	2.8	0.4	3.8	2.4	9.3	11.9	14.0	17.1	12.0	26.2
	45 to 64	199	1.6	0	2.3	3.8	13.3	8.8	9.4	20.3	11.9	28.5
	55 to 64	133	0	0.5	0.8	1.8	7.4	7.6	11.8	20.7	15.2	34.2
	65 plus	165	0.6	0	0.4	1.2	10.5	5.6	10.9	21.3	10.6	39.0
Education	High school or less	295	5.1	0	3.3	4.8	17.4	9.8	10.4	12.8	10.5	25.8
	College or university	665	1.6	0.4	2.2	1.4	10.8	9.9	12.1	19.3	11.8	30.5
	Post-graduate	128	0	0.7	2.0	0.5	5.5	10.8	19.2	22.9	7.9	30.4
Income	Less than \$25,000	308	3.4	0.7	3.8	3.1	15.4	10.2	9.9	17.1	8.9	27.6
	\$25,000-\$39,999	223	2.7	0	2.3	1.5	12.6	11.8	12.6	17.9	9.9	28.6
	\$40,000-\$49,999	85	1.6	0.8	0.8	4.7	13.4	8.7	15.7	16.5	8.7	29.1
	\$50,000-\$74,999	210	1.7	0.4	0.8	1.3	10.6	9.7	13.1	16.1	13.1	33.1
	\$75,000 or more	261	1.7	0	2.9	1.7	8.1	8.7	14.0	20.9	13.4	28.5
Region	North East	221	3.5	0	1.7	2.2	10.0	13.6	11.4	14.9	13.6	29.0
	South	334	2.1	0.2	2.2	3.3	13.1	10.4	14.1	18.0	8.0	28.6
	Midwest	253	2.8	0.4	2.0	1.3	11.7	5.4	10.9	19.1	12.5	34.0
	West	279	1.4	0.7	3.7	1.8	12.4	10.8	12.9	19.2	11.2	25.7

QUESTION 2. ON A SCALE OF 1 TO 10, WITH 1 BEING NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT AND 10 BEING EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE IMPORTANCE OF FREE TRADE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES ON ENSURING NORTH AMERICAN'S FUTURE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY?

A. CANADA

		Total	Not at all important	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Extremely important
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	2.7	0.6	1.3	1.4	10.7	9.8	14.1	19.1	13.0	27.2
Gender	Male	534	2.8	0.7	1.1	1.9	8.8	9.0	12.7	19.5	14.6	28.8
	Female	549	2.6	0.5	1.5	0.9	12.6	10.6	15.5	18.8	11.5	25.7
Age	18 to 24	124	4.8	3.2	0.8	1.6	17.7	8.1	14.5	19.4	14.5	15.3
	25 to 34	185	1.1	1.6	0.5	2.2	12.4	14.1	16.2	18.4	11.4	22.2
	35 to 44	239	3.8	0	1.7	1.7	12.1	12.6	12.6	19.7	12.1	23.8
	45 to 54	217	2.8	0	1.4	0.9	8.8	8.3	16.6	20.3	12.4	28.6
	55 to 64	132	3.0	0	2.3	1.5	7.6	11.4	10.6	19.7	11.4	32.6
	65 and older	186	1.1	0	1.1	0.5	7.0	3.8	13.4	17.2	16.7	39.2
Education	High school or less	311	2.6	0	1.6	1.0	13.8	11.9	15.1	17.4	10.9	25.7
	College	443	3.8	1.1	1.1	1.6	9.7	8.1	15.8	16.7	15.3	26.6
	University	255	1.2	0.8	1.2	1.6	7.8	11.4	12.2	24.3	12.2	27.5
	Post-graduate	74	1.4	0	1.4	1.4	13.5	5.4	6.8	23.0	10.8	36.5
Income	Less than \$25,000	230	3.5	0.4	1.7	0.9	13.0	9.6	14.8	17.0	13.0	26.1
	\$25,000-\$39,999	231	3.0	2.6	0.9	2.6	13.4	12.6	13.0	13.4	12.1	26.4
	\$40,000-\$49,999	138	2.9	0	2.2	0.7	11.6	8.0	15.2	18.8	11.6	29.0
	\$50,000-\$74,999	240	1.7	0	1.3	0.8	8.3	7.5	17.5	22.9	13.8	26.3
	\$75,000 or more	244	2.5	0	0.8	1.6	7.8	10.7	10.7	23.0	13.9	29.1
Region	Atlantic	69	0	1.4	1.4	1.4	18.8	4.3	21.7	10.1	10.1	30.4
	Quebec	295	3.4	1.0	3.1	1.4	12.2	12.5	16.3	19.7	11.9	18.6
	Ontario	399	2.8	0.3	0.3	1.3	9.0	10.3	11.3	18.3	17.0	29.6
	AB/Prairies	179	1.7	0.6	1.1	2.2	8.9	6.7	11.7	21.2	11.2	34.6
	British Columbia	141	3.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	10.6	9.2	17.0	22.0	7.8	27.7

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Not at all important	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Extremely important
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	1.6	0.6	1.1	2.6	9.7	7.8	13.3	15.8	13.8	33.8
Gender	Male	521	1.9	0.8	1.2	2.4	6.9	6.4	12.8	16.7	12.0	38.9
	Female	566	1.3	0.3	0.9	2.8	12.3	9.1	13.9	14.9	15.5	29.0
Age	Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	18 to 24	145	2.0	1.6	3.5	1.4	9.1	6.0	17.1	13.5	8.0	37.6
	25 to 34	206	2.1	0.9	1.2	4.5	11.1	9.1	15.5	16.0	12.6	27.0
	35 to 44	240	2.1	0.4	0.4	2.9	9.0	10.8	12.9	15.2	14.6	31.8
	45 to 64	199	2.1	0.4	0.5	4.0	14.6	5.8	6.8	16.8	17.3	31.6
	55 to 64	133	0	0	0.8	0	7.3	7.5	15.4	13.1	14.6	41.3
	65 plus	165	0.6	0	0.8	1.0	5.6	6.0	14.2	19.3	14.2	38.2
Education	High school or less	295	3.4	1.2	1.3	4.7	13.4	8.9	11.8	12.5	12.4	30.5
	College or university	665	1.1	0.4	0.8	2.2	7.8	6.9	14.6	15.7	15.0	35.6
	Post-graduate	128	0	0	2.0	0	11.5	9.6	10.5	24.2	10.8	31.4
Income	Less than \$25,000	308	1.7	0.3	1.4	5.8	9.2	6.8	17.1	13.0	11.9	32.8
	\$25,000-\$39,999	223	2.7	1.1	0.8	0.8	11.1	9.9	15.6	13.7	13.7	30.5
	\$40,000-\$49,999	85	1.6	0	2.4	1.6	11.8	6.3	12.6	18.9	11.0	33.9
	\$50,000-\$74,999	210	0.8	0.4	0.4	1.3	10.2	8.5	9.3	17.4	15.3	36.4
	\$75,000 or more	261	1.2	0.6	1.2	1.7	8.1	7.0	10.5	18.6	15.7	35.5
Region	North East	221	2.7	0	1.9	2.1	6.9	8.5	13.1	13.5	15.0	36.3
	South	334	1.3	1.5	0.3	2.0	11.6	10.1	12.2	17.5	11.2	32.4
	Midwest	253	1.2	0	0.7	3.1	9.5	5.3	12.2	14.5	15.4	38.1
	West	279	1.5	0.4	1.8	3.2	9.9	6.7	15.9	16.8	14.5	29.4

QUESTION 3. WOULD YOUR COUNTRY BE BETTER OFF, WORSE OFF, OR WOULD THERE BE NO IMPACT IF THERE WAS NO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES?

A. CANADA

		Total	Better off	Worse off	There would be no impact
		N	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	25.0	57.2	17.7
Gender	Male	534	23.0	59.4	17.6
	Female	549	27.0	55.2	17.9
Age	18 to 24	124	26.6	58.9	14.5
	25 to 34	185	27.0	57.3	15.7
	35 to 44	239	26.4	56.9	16.7
	45 to 54	217	27.2	51.2	21.7
	55 to 64	132	24.2	56.1	19.7
	65 and older	186	18.3	64.5	17.2
Education	High school or less	311	23.8	53.1	23.2
	College	443	25.3	55.5	19.2
	University	255	29.0	60.8	10.2
	Post-graduate	74	14.9	73.0	12.2
Income	Less than \$25,000	230	24.3	55.7	20.0
	\$25,000-\$39,999	231	27.3	55.0	17.7
	\$40,000-\$49,999	138	29.0	54.3	16.7
	\$50,000-\$74,999	240	24.2	59.2	16.7
	\$75,000 or more	244	22.1	60.7	17.2
Region	Atlantic	69	20.3	60.9	18.8
	Quebec	295	23.1	56.9	20.0
	Ontario	399	24.8	59.4	15.8
	AB/Prairies	179	25.1	55.3	19.6
	British Columbia	141	31.9	52.5	15.6

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Better off	Worse off	There would be no impact
		N	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	19.1	55.6	25.3
Gender	Male	521	19.7	56.9	23.4
	Female	566	18.5	54.5	27.1
Age	Under 18	0	0	0	0
	18 to 24	145	23.7	52.4	23.9
	25 to 34	206	24.3	50.5	25.2
	35 to 44	240	18.8	54.1	27.1
	45 to 64	199	18.1	55.0	26.9
	55 to 64	133	14.5	62.1	23.4
	65 plus	165	13.8	62.6	23.6
Education	High school or less	295	22.3	46.9	30.8
	College or university	665	17.9	57.9	24.2
	Post-graduate	128	17.4	64.0	18.6
Income	Less than \$25,000	308	18.4	53.9	27.6
	\$25,000-\$39,999	223	18.7	54.6	26.7
	\$40,000-\$49,999	85	18.9	53.5	27.6
	\$50,000-\$74,999	210	20.3	59.7	19.9
	\$75,000 or more	261	19.2	55.8	25.0
Region	North East	221	19.7	49.2	31.1
	South	334	18.3	58.2	23.6
	Midwest	253	19.2	55.3	25.5
	West	279	19.5	57.9	22.6

QUESTION 4. DO YOU SUPPORT, SOMEWHAT SUPPORT, NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE, SOMEWHAT OPPOSE OR OPPOSE ENHANCING THE FREE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES?

A. CANADA

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	36.6	27.1	18.3	10.1	5.7	2.2
Gender	Male	534	44.0	25.8	16.1	7.9	5.6	0.6
	Female	549	29.3	28.4	20.4	12.2	5.8	3.8
Age	18 to 24	124	25.0	31.5	25.8	7.3	5.6	4.8
	25 to 34	185	25.9	31.4	21.6	12.4	5.4	3.2
	35 to 44	239	33.1	25.9	19.2	13.0	6.3	2.5
	45 to 54	217	36.4	26.7	19.8	9.7	6.0	1.4
	55 to 64	132	44.7	28.0	12.9	8.3	6.1	0
	65 and older	186	53.8	21.5	10.8	7.5	4.8	1.6
Education	High school or less	311	32.5	23.2	24.4	9.0	7.1	3.9
	College	443	35.2	30.5	15.3	10.8	6.1	2.0
	University	255	39.6	27.5	17.3	10.6	4.3	0.8
	Post-graduate	74	51.4	23.0	13.5	8.1	2.7	1.4
Income	Less than \$25,000	230	34.3	27.0	21.7	7.8	5.2	3.9
	\$25,000-\$39,999	231	33.8	24.2	23.4	8.7	6.9	3.0
	\$40,000-\$49,999	138	37.0	27.5	18.8	10.9	5.8	0
	\$50,000-\$74,999	240	35.8	30.8	14.2	12.9	5.4	0.8
	\$75,000 or more	244	41.8	26.2	13.9	10.2	5.3	2.5
Region	Atlantic	69	30.4	33.3	17.4	8.7	7.2	2.9
	Quebec	295	38.0	23.4	22.0	6.8	7.8	2.0
	Ontario	399	34.6	27.1	16.8	13.5	5.5	2.5
	AB/Prairies	179	41.9	27.9	15.1	10.1	2.2	2.8
	British Columbia	141	35.5	31.2	19.1	7.8	5.7	0.7

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	28.1	29.8	23.0	10.3	5.6	3.3
Gender	Male	521	32.3	27.9	19.5	10.1	7.0	3.2
	Female	566	24.2	31.6	26.2	10.4	4.2	3.3
Age	Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	18 to 24	145	24.1	29.9	33.2	4.1	3.4	5.3
	25 to 34	206	31.5	26.0	23.0	10.0	2.6	6.8
	35 to 44	240	30.5	29.6	20.6	11.3	6.1	1.9
	45 to 64	199	23.0	35.5	25.2	10.0	2.9	3.5
	55 to 64	133	28.8	29.2	20.0	13.1	9.0	0
	65 plus	165	29.4	28.6	17.1	12.5	11.0	1.4
Education	High school or less	295	22.7	25.3	33.6	7.7	4.2	6.6
	College or university	665	29.4	30.5	20.0	11.2	6.6	2.4
	Post-graduate	128	34.2	36.9	14.2	11.4	3.3	0
Income	Less than \$25,000	308	25.3	30.4	26.3	8.5	4.1	5.5
	\$25,000-\$39,999	223	30.2	25.6	24.8	13.0	4.6	1.9
	\$40,000-\$49,999	85	24.4	27.6	23.6	10.2	11.8	2.4
	\$50,000-\$74,999	210	29.7	31.8	25.0	8.9	3.8	0.8
	\$75,000 or more	261	29.7	32.0	15.7	11.0	7.6	4.1
Region	North East	221	29.2	29.9	22.3	12.1	4.3	2.2
	South	334	25.0	30.2	23.6	12.1	5.6	3.6
	Midwest	253	26.8	29.1	23.4	8.5	6.5	5.7
	West	279	32.2	29.9	22.4	8.1	5.8	1.5

QUESTION 5. DO YOU SUPPORT, SOMEWHAT SUPPORT, NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE, SOMEWHAT OPPOSE OR OPPOSE CREATING STRONGER ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES?

A. CANADA

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	35.2	31.6	19.0	9.2	3.1	1.8
Gender	Male	534	40.8	28.8	16.7	8.8	4.3	0.6
	Female	549	29.7	34.2	21.3	9.7	2.0	3.1
Age	18 to 24	124	19.4	33.1	26.6	12.9	4.0	4.0
	25 to 34	185	25.4	33.0	25.9	11.9	1.6	2.2
	35 to 44	239	31.8	30.1	19.2	11.3	5.9	1.7
	45 to 54	217	35.0	32.3	19.4	7.8	3.2	2.3
	55 to 64	132	47.0	28.0	14.4	7.6	2.3	0.8
	65 and older	186	51.6	32.8	9.7	4.3	1.1	0.5
Education	High school or less	311	32.2	31.2	25.1	6.4	2.3	2.9
	College	443	33.6	32.1	17.4	11.1	3.6	2.3
	University	255	35.3	34.9	16.5	9.0	3.9	0.4
	Post-graduate	74	56.8	18.9	12.2	10.8	1.4	0
Income	Less than \$25,000	230	32.2	29.6	20.4	9.1	4.3	4.3
	\$25,000-\$39,999	231	29.9	29.4	24.7	10.4	3.0	2.6
	\$40,000-\$49,999	138	42.8	29.0	14.5	10.1	3.6	0
	\$50,000-\$74,999	240	36.7	29.6	18.8	11.3	3.3	0.4
	\$75,000 or more	244	37.3	38.9	15.2	5.7	1.6	1.2
Region	Atlantic	69	21.7	40.6	21.7	10.1	4.3	1.4
	Quebec	295	43.7	24.7	21.0	4.4	3.1	3.1
	Ontario	399	32.1	35.1	18.5	9.5	3.3	1.5
	AB/Prairies	179	36.9	33.0	16.2	10.1	2.8	1.1
	British Columbia	141	30.5	29.8	18.4	17.0	2.8	1.4

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	41.9	32.4	20.1	2.3	0.8	2.5
Gender	Male	521	46.6	31.0	17.0	1.9	1.2	2.2
	Female	566	37.7	33.6	22.8	2.6	0.5	2.8
Age	Under 18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	18 to 24	145	32.1	29.9	23.9	5.5	2.9	5.7
	25 to 34	206	37.1	32.5	20.9	4.1	0.8	4.7
	35 to 44	240	43.0	33.7	20.6	1.6	0	1.1
	45 to 64	199	41.4	30.9	22.1	1.7	0.9	2.9
	55 to 64	133	50.8	36.1	12.3	0	0	0.8
	65 plus	165	48.6	31.4	18.5	0.4	1.0	0
Education	High school or less	295	33.2	28.8	29.1	3.8	0.3	4.7
	College or university	665	44.6	32.9	18.1	1.3	1.2	1.8
	Post-graduate	128	48.2	37.7	9.4	3.4	0.5	0.8
Income	Less than \$25,000	308	37.2	29.4	23.5	3.4	1.7	4.8
	\$25,000-\$39,999	223	42.4	31.3	22.5	1.9	0.4	1.5
	\$40,000-\$49,999	85	33.1	31.5	30.7	1.6	1.6	1.6
	\$50,000-\$74,999	210	47.0	33.1	15.7	2.5	0.8	0.8
	\$75,000 or more	261	45.9	36.6	14.0	1.2	0	2.3
Region	North East	221	41.9	31.6	20.9	2.1	1.3	2.2
	South	334	38.7	35.1	21.5	1.9	0.7	2.0
	Midwest	253	46.6	29.7	16.5	2.3	0.8	4.0
	West	279	41.7	32.2	20.9	2.7	0.7	1.9

QUESTION 6. DO YOU SUPPORT, SOMEWHAT SUPPORT, NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE, SOMEWHAT OPPOSE OR OPPOSE BUILDING A MORE INTEGRATED RAIL, HIGHWAY AND AIR TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES?

A. CANADA

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,083	38.7	33.4	18.0	5.2	3.0	1.8
Gender	Male Female	534 549	45.7 31.9	31.1 35.7	15.0 20.9	4.5 5.8	3.0 2.9	0.7 2.7
Age	18 to 24 25 to 34 35 to 44 45 to 54 55 to 64 65 and older	124 185 239 217 132 186	26.6 33.5 36.4 36.9 44.7 52.7	31.5 34.6 33.1 38.7 31.8 29.0	28.2 19.5 18.0 16.6 12.9 15.1	7.3 7.6 6.7 3.7 4.5 1.6	3.2 2.2 4.2 2.3 5.3 1.1	3.2 2.7 1.7 1.8 0.8 0.5
Education	High school or less College University Post-graduate	311 443 255 74	33.8 37.0 41.6 59.5	32.5 34.1 35.3 27.0	23.2 17.8 14.9 8.1	5.5 5.9 4.3 2.7	2.6 3.6 2.4 2.7	2.6 1.6 1.6 0
Income	Less than \$25,000 \$25,000-\$39,999 \$40,000-\$49,999 \$50,000-\$74,999 \$75,000 or more	230 231 138 240 244	34.8 33.8 39.9 40.8 44.3	29.6 34.2 34.1 36.3 33.2	22.2 20.8 18.8 13.3 15.6	6.1 6.5 4.3 5.8 2.9	3.5 2.6 2.2 3.3 2.9	3.9 2.2 0.7 0.4 1.2
Region	Atlantic Quebec Ontario AB/Prairies British Columbia	69 295 399 179 141	29.0 46.4 36.1 38.5 34.8	34.8 27.1 35.8 40.2 30.5	23.2 18.0 17.5 15.1 20.6	5.8 4.7 5.5 1.7 9.2	2.9 1.4 3.8 3.4 3.5	4.3 2.4 1.3 1.1 1.4

B. UNITED STATES

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Don't know
		N	%	%	%	%	%	%
Aggregate		1,087	36.0	30.5	23.9	4.6	2.0	3.0
Gender	Male Female	521 566	41.1 31.4	30.2 30.8	19.7 27.7	4.7 4.6	2.1 1.8	2.3 3.7
Age	Under 18 18 to 24 25 to 34 35 to 44 45 to 64 55 to 64 65 plus	0 145 206 240 199 133 165	0 30.8 35.1 37.8 38.6 36.1 36.0	0 29.5 28.6 31.3 29.4 35.2 30.1	0 27.8 23.6 20.9 25.2 24.2 23.4	0 5.1 7.1 6.5 1.3 4.0 3.0	0 2.6 1.4 1.0 3.3 0 3.5	0 4.2 4.3 2.5 2.3 0.5 3.9
Education	High school or less College or university Post-graduate	295 665 128	29.0 36.8 48.2	29.3 30.4 33.8	31.7 23.0 10.5	4.2 4.5 6.3	2.0 2.3 0	3.8 3.0 1.2
Income	Less than \$25,000 \$25,000-\$39,999 \$40,000-\$49,999 \$50,000-\$74,999 \$75,000 or more	308 223 85 210 261	36.2 33.6 22.8 41.5 37.8	25.3 30.5 39.4 31.4 33.1	28.0 26.7 29.1 20.8 17.4	4.4 5.0 3.1 5.1 4.7	2.4 1.9 3.9 0.8 1.7	3.8 2.3 1.6 0.4 5.2
Region	North East South Midwest West	221 334 253 279	39.5 30.4 38.0 38.2	28.9 35.9 28.8 26.9	22.6 23.2 22.7 26.8	5.1 6.1 3.5 3.6	1.1 2.8 0.8 2.6	2.9 1.7 6.1 1.8