PART 5 – Views on Julie Payette

Q16. Changing topics now ...

As you may have heard, there has been some discussion lately about Governor General Julie Payette and her performance in the role of Governor General. How closely would you say you have been following news about Julie Payette’s performance as Governor General? Are you:

Seeing a lot of media coverage and discussing it with friends and family
Seeing some media coverage and having the odd conversation about it
Just scanning the headlines
Not seeing or hearing anything about it

Q17. And, again, based on whatever you have seen or heard, would you say Payette has been doing a good job or a bad job as Governor General?

Very good job
Good job
Bad job
Very bad job
Not sure/Can’t say

Q18. Some media reports have been critical of Payette’s first year on the job, pointing out – among other things – that she has not attended as many community events as her predecessors.

Some people say that Payette is merely adjusting to the new role, and that she will eventually settle into it. Other people say Payette’s problems go beyond an adjustment period, and that she is poorly suited to the role of Governor General.

Which of these perspectives is closer to your own – even if neither is exactly correct?

Julie Payette is adjusting, and will eventually settle into the role of Governor General
Julie Payette is poorly suited to the role of Governor General
Not sure/Can’t say

Q19. And, which of the following statements is closer to your own opinion – even if neither is exactly correct?

Julie Payette’s performance as Governor General is a significant issue worthy of public discussion
The significance of Julie Payette’s performance as Governor General has been overblown by the media
Not sure/Can’t say