Now some questions about American politics.

QP1. Would you say you personally have:

A high interest in American political and policy issues
A moderate interest
Lower interest
No interest – you tune this out

[if ‘no interest’ in QP1 SKIP QP2-QP5 to QP6]

QP2. As you may have heard, the U.S. presidential election is scheduled for November 2020. As a result, the Democratic National Committee is going through the process of selecting its presidential nominee.

When it comes to the news coverage surrounding the Democratic candidate selection process, would you say you have been...

Following the process very closely
Following headlines and the big stories
Not really paying much attention
Not paying any attention at all

QP3. We have a few questions about the Democratic candidates. We will be focusing on five of the most prominent candidates.

First, do you have a favourable or unfavourable opinion of each of the following people. If you have not heard of them or have no opinion, please select that option.

[Each name will be accompanied by a photo. See bottom of page.]

[Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders]
[Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren]
[Former Vice President Joe Biden]
[Former South Bend, Indiana Mayor Pete Buttigieg]
[Former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg]

[columns]
Favourable
Unfavourable
Neither favourable nor unfavourable
Not sure who this person is
QP4. Now, thinking about how this election might affect Canada, which candidate do you think would be best for Canada/US relations if they won the election in November?

[Show only candidates that a respondent is aware of in QP3]

[Random order]

Bernie Sanders
Elizabeth Warren
Joe Biden
Pete Buttigieg
Michael Bloomberg
[Anchor] Not sure/Can’t say

QP5. In terms of strategy for the Democratic Party, who do you think is the best candidate – the one who has the best chance to defeat Donald Trump in the general election? Please answer regardless of how you feel about the current President, Donald Trump.

[Show only candidates that a respondent is aware of in QP3]

[Maintain same random order from QP4]

Bernie Sanders
Elizabeth Warren
Joe Biden
Pete Buttigieg
Michael Bloomberg
[Anchor] None of these
[Anchor] Not sure/Can’t say

QP6. Ultimately, do you think President Trump is going to win the 2020 election?

Yes, almost certainly
Probably
Doubtful
No chance
Not sure/Can’t say

QP7 (T). Based on the Trump administration’s performance since the inauguration on January 20, 2017, is your overall impression positive or negative so far?

Very positive
More positive than negative
Mixed – about equally positive and negative
More negative than positive
Very negative
Don’t know/Not sure