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Sample size	1466	223	487	595	160	711	755

Regional sample sizes are unweighted. All other sample sizes, including column totals, are weighted to census data. Cells containing “*” are statistically zero, though at least one response was received. Blank cells indicate zero responses received. Sample sizes below 100 should be interpreted with caution.

Q1. [Stronger summary] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Free and fair elections	19%	20%	16%	21%	24%	17%	21%
Everyone can actively participate in politics and civic life if they want	30%	24%	29%	33%	36%	27%	33%
The rule of law applies equally to everyone	17%	18%	16%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Freedom of speech	27%	18%	24%	31%	37%	22%	32%
News organizations' freedom to report the truth	18%	16%	15%	21%	20%	15%	21%

Q1. [Weaker summary] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Free and fair elections	43%	63%	43%	37%	33%	49%	36%
Everyone can actively participate in politics and civic life if they want	29%	46%	30%	25%	19%	35%	24%
The rule of law applies equally to everyone	59%	71%	62%	56%	47%	65%	54%
Freedom of speech	46%	71%	48%	38%	32%	55%	36%
News organizations' freedom to report the truth	48%	72%	53%	39%	36%	59%	39%

Q1. [Free and fair elections] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Much stronger	7%	12%	6%	6%	10%	8%	7%
A bit stronger	12%	8%	10%	14%	14%	10%	14%
Neither stronger nor weaker	38%	17%	41%	42%	43%	33%	43%
A bit weaker	24%	19%	23%	26%	24%	22%	26%
Much weaker	19%	44%	20%	11%	10%	28%	11%
Net: Stronger	19%	20%	16%	21%	24%	17%	21%
Net: Weaker	43%	63%	43%	37%	33%	49%	36%

Q1. [Everyone can actively participate in politics and civic life if they want] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Much stronger	8%	11%	8%	8%	9%	9%	8%
A bit stronger	22%	13%	21%	25%	27%	19%	25%
Neither stronger nor weaker	40%	30%	41%	42%	45%	38%	43%
A bit weaker	17%	19%	18%	17%	15%	19%	16%
Much weaker	12%	27%	12%	8%	4%	16%	7%
Net: Stronger	30%	24%	29%	33%	36%	27%	33%
Net: Weaker	29%	46%	30%	25%	19%	35%	24%

Q1. [The rule of law applies equally to everyone] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Much stronger	6%	8%	4%	5%	7%	6%	6%
A bit stronger	11%	10%	12%	12%	11%	11%	12%
Neither stronger nor weaker	24%	11%	22%	26%	36%	19%	28%
A bit weaker	31%	13%	34%	36%	33%	27%	35%
Much weaker	28%	58%	28%	21%	14%	37%	19%
Net: Stronger	17%	18%	16%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Net: Weaker	59%	71%	62%	56%	47%	65%	54%

Q1. [Freedom of speech] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Much stronger	10%	10%	8%	9%	16%	9%	10%
A bit stronger	18%	8%	16%	22%	21%	14%	22%
Neither stronger nor weaker	27%	11%	28%	32%	31%	22%	32%
A bit weaker	20%	15%	21%	21%	18%	19%	20%
Much weaker	26%	55%	27%	17%	14%	36%	16%
Net: Stronger	27%	18%	24%	31%	37%	22%	32%
Net: Weaker	46%	71%	48%	38%	32%	55%	36%

Q1. [News organizations' freedom to report the truth] Here are some elements of what defines a democratic nation. Thinking about each – would you say they are growing stronger or getting weaker in Canada.

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Much stronger	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%
A bit stronger	12%	9%	10%	15%	14%	10%	15%
Neither stronger nor weaker	34%	12%	33%	40%	44%	26%	41%
A bit weaker	24%	13%	29%	23%	26%	24%	23%
Much weaker	25%	60%	24%	17%	10%	35%	15%
Net: Stronger	18%	16%	15%	21%	20%	15%	21%
Net: Weaker	48%	72%	53%	39%	36%	59%	39%

Q2. How closely – if at all – have you been following the issue of attempted interference by the Chinese government in Canadian elections?

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Very closely; Reading a lot of stories and discussing it with friends and family	15%	100%				31%	
Closely following the issue, and having the odd conversation about it	33%		100%			69%	
Not following that closely, just scanning the headlines	41%			100%			79%
Not following it at all	11%				100%		21%
Top2box	48%	100%	100%			100%	
Bottom2box	52%			100%	100%		100%

Q3. How important do you believe is this issue of potential Chinese government interference in Canadian elections?

	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Very important; one of the top issues facing the country right now	38%	77%	46%	23%	14%	56%	21%
Important ; but there are other more important issues	45%	20%	45%	58%	31%	37%	52%
Not that important there are many other issues that are more important	10%	2%	7%	15%	13%	6%	15%
Not important at all	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	2%
Not sure/ Can't say	6%		1%	3%	39%	1%	10%
Net: Important	82%	97%	91%	81%	45%	93%	73%
Net: Not important	12%	3%	8%	17%	16%	7%	17%

Q4. Based on what you've seen read or heard, what do you think? Do you believe the Chinese government tried to interfere in Canadian elections?

Base = Exclude not following it at all in Q2	1306	223	487	595	-	711	595
	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Definitely	41%	81%	46%	21%		57%	21%
Probably	34%	13%	39%	39%		31%	39%
Maybe	16%	4%	10%	26%		8%	26%
No not at all	3%	2%	3%	4%		3%	4%
Not sure/Can't say	5%	0%	3%	10%		2%	10%
Top2box	75%	94%	85%	60%		88%	60%
Bottom2box	19%	6%	13%	30%		11%	30%

Q4. (Rebase to All) Based on what you've seen read or heard, what do you think? Do you believe the Chinese government tried to interfere in Canadian elections?

Base = All	1466	223	487	595	160	711	755
	Total	Following issue					
		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
Definitely	36%	81%	46%	21%		57%	17%
Probably	31%	13%	39%	39%		31%	31%
Maybe	15%	4%	10%	26%		8%	21%
No not at all	3%	2%	3%	4%		3%	3%
Not sure/Can't say	5%	0%	3%	10%		2%	8%
Not following it at all	11%				100%		21%
Top2box	67%	94%	85%	60%		88%	47%
Bottom2box	17%	6%	13%	30%		11%	24%

Q5. When it comes to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau government's response to this issue of attempted Chinese government interference in Canadian elections, which statement is closer to your view, based on what you've read, seen, or heard?

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		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
The Trudeau government response has been transparent	16%	18%	20%	15%	3%	20%	13%
The Trudeau government response has been evasive	57%	80%	67%	51%	22%	71%	45%
Not sure/ can't say	27%	2%	13%	34%	75%	9%	43%

Q6. Thinking about these recent events, how confident are you in the Canadian government to combat election interference in future federal elections?

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Totally confident	7%	11%	7%	7%	3%	8%	6%
Mostly confident	30%	14%	32%	35%	29%	27%	34%
Not really confident	38%	18%	35%	45%	46%	30%	45%
Not confident at all	25%	57%	26%	13%	21%	35%	15%
Net: Confident	37%	25%	40%	41%	33%	35%	40%
Net: Not confident	63%	75%	60%	59%	67%	65%	60%

Q7. Which of the two statements below is closer to your own point of view regarding a formal public inquiry?

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		Very closely	Following issue	Not following closely	Not following at all	Top2box	Bottom2box
A public inquiry is needed, there's more to learn	52%	79%	57%	43%	32%	64%	40%
A public inquiry is NOT needed, it won't tell us anything more	32%	19%	35%	38%	20%	30%	34%
Not sure/ Can't say	16%	2%	8%	20%	48%	6%	26%

Q8. What is your view of Johnston as the choice to lead this investigation?

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He is the right choice	22%	17%	30%	21%	5%	26%	18%
He is the wrong choice	44%	73%	50%	34%	22%	57%	31%
Not sure/Can't say	35%	11%	20%	45%	73%	17%	51%