#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### [Intro Screen]

Thank you for taking part in today's survey. We are looking at topics affecting your life in your province and Canada today.

### QAV1 (new location, altered wording) Base = ALL SINGLE CHOICE

As you are probably aware, there is an ongoing federal election. Election Day is April 28, but mail-in balloting and advanced voting are options that many people are using this year. Have you voted in advance or using a mail-in ballot?

Already voted at an advance poll Already mailed in a ballot Haven't voted Not eligible to vote [thank and terminate]

#### HAVEN'T VOTED YET SKIP TO Q1

### QAV\_issues. Base=Already voted (top 2 at QAV1) Up to 3

Thinking of the various issues and challenges facing Canada, which, if any, played an important role in deciding which party you supported in this federal election? (Select up to 3 from the list below or choose 'other' or write in yours if it's not on our list.)

[Randomize issues]

The Deficit / Government spending The Economy Health Care Taxes Jobs / Unemployment Environment / Climate Change Income inequality / Poverty Indigenous issues / Reconciliation Energy / Natural Resources / Pipelines Ethics / Corruption Crime / Public safety Immigration / Refugees Housing affordability National Unity (Western Canada/Quebec) International Issues Relations with the U.S. including tariffs Cost of Living / Inflation Emergency preparedness **FIXED:** Other (specify)

# QAV\_leaders Base=Already voted (top 2 at QAV1) Single choice

And how do you feel about the party leaders? Do you have an overall favourable or unfavourable view of the following people?

[Randomize] Pierre Poilievre – leader of the Conservative Party of Canada Mark Carney – leader of the Liberal Party Jagmeet Singh – leader of the NDP [QC Only] Yves-François Blanchet – leader of the Bloc Québécois

Very favourable Favourable Unfavourable Very unfavourable Don't know/Can't say

## QAV2. (altered wording) Base = Already voted (top 2 at QAV1) SINGLE CHOICE

And in the end, which party's candidate did you support in this federal election?

[Randomize]

Conservative Party of Canada Liberal Party of Canada New Democratic Party (NDP) of Canada Bloc Quebecois (BQ) [QC Only] Green Party [Fixed] Other Party/Independent [Fixed] Rather not say [Fixed]

### ADVANCE VOTERS SKIP TO Q\_PartiesOnly

#### FEDERAL ISSUES/LEADERSHIP

## Q1. BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 (select up to three)

Thinking of the various issues and challenges facing Canada, which ones do you personally care about the most? (Select up to 3 from the list below or choose 'other' or write in yours if it's not on our list.)

[Randomize issues]

The Deficit / Government spending The Economy Health Care Taxes Jobs / Unemployment Environment / Climate Change Income inequality / Poverty Indigenous issues / Reconciliation Energy / Natural Resources / Pipelines Ethics / Corruption Crime / Public safety Immigration / Refugees Housing affordability National Unity (Western Canada/Quebec) International Issues Relations with the U.S. including tariffs Cost of Living / Inflation **Emergency preparedness** FIXED: Other (specify)

#### Q\_Politics\_Interest1 [T] BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 Single choice

Some people are interested in Canadian politics and public policy issues, and some people aren't. How about you? Would you say you personally have:

A high interest in political and policy issues A moderate interest A low interest No interest -- you pretty much tune this out

<del>Q2.</del>

### Q3. BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 SINGLE CHOICE GRID

Do you have an overall favourable or unfavourable view of the following people?

[Randomize] Pierre Poilievre – leader of the Conservative Party of Canada Mark Carney – leader of the Liberal Party Jagmeet Singh – leader of the NDP [QC Only] Yves-François Blanchet – leader of the Bloc Québécois

Very favourable Favourable Unfavourable Very unfavourable Don't know/Can't say

### **VOTE INTENT**

#### Q\_Likelihood BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 Single choice

How likely is it that you will actually go out and vote in this federal election? Are you...

Absolutely certain you will go out and vote Quite sure you will vote Will vote if you remember Will probably end up not voting

### QF1. UPDATED TEXT BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 SINGLE CHOICE

Which party's candidate will you most likely support in your riding?

[Randomize first 3 parties/First 4 in QC] Conservative Party of Canada Liberal Party of Canada New Democratic Party of Canada [NDP] Bloc Québécois [QC only] Green Party of Canada Other Party/Independent Undecided /Don't know Rather not say Will not vote

## QF2. BASE=UNDECIDED/RATHER NOT SAY IN QF1 SINGLE CHOICE

We've noticed you did not select a party. Is there a party you are currently *leaning* towards?

[Same order] Conservative Party of Canada Liberal Party of Canada New Democratic Party of Canada [NDP] Bloc Québécois [QC only] Green Party of Canada Other Party/Independent Undecided /Don't know Rather not say Will not vote

### QF3. Base = 'OTHER PARTY/INDEPENDENT' QF1 OR QF2

And which other federal election candidate would that be?

Independent/non-affiliated candidate Libertarian Maverick Party People's Party of Canada Christian Heritage Canadian Future Party Some other party

## QF4. BASE=1-6 IN QF1/QF2 (CPC/LPC/NDP/BQ/GPC/Other) SINGLE CHOICE

How committed are you to that party choice?

Very committed – you'll definitely stick with them through this coming election day Fairly committed Not very committed Not committed at all – you could easily switch your support to another party

# QF5. BASE=1-6 IN QF1/QF2 (CPC/LPC/NDP/BQ/GPC/Other) SINGLE CHOICE

If you had to choose, which party would be your second choice?

### [Same order as previous -- Do not show first choice party from QF1/QF2]

Conservative Party Liberal Party New Democratic Party (NDP) Bloc Quebecois (BQ) [QC Only] Green Party Other Party/Independent No second choice/Can't say [Anchor]

### QF6.

# Q\_Partiesonly Base=1-6 in QF1/QF2 (CPC/LPC/BQ/GPC/Other) AND Picked a party in QAV2 Single choice

Thinking about the election in another way. If you were to vote for **the party only**, ignoring all of the current party leaders, which party would you support?

### [Same order as previous]

Conservative Party of Canada Liberal Party of Canada New Democratic Party of Canada [NDP] Bloc Québécois [QC only] Green Party of Canada Other Party/Independent Undecided /Don't know

### QAdvance1 BASE=Haven't voted yet in QAV1 Single choice

Have you received your voter information card from Elections Canada?

Yes No

QAdvance2

# Q4. Base=All Single choice grid

Has your opinion of each leader improved, stayed the same, or worsened over the last week?

Improved Stayed the same Worsened

[Same order above] Pierre Poilievre – Opposition Leader and leader of the Conservative Party of Canada Mark Carney – New leader of the Liberal Party Jagmeet Singh – leader of the NDP [QC Only] Yves-François Blanchet – leader of the Bloc Québécois

QF7. [T] Base=All Single choice

And, which of these leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada?

[Same order as previous]

Mark Carney Pierre Poilievre Neither of them is a good option **[Fixed]** Not sure/Can't say **[Fixed]** 

QF9. Base=All Single choice

Which of these two leaders do you think are best to handle the following issues:

The "trade wars" between Canada and the United States Growing Canada's economy Relations between Ottawa and the provinces Developing or expanding trade relationships outside of the United States Improving health care Reducing the cost of living Getting new housing built Supporting Canadian workers if the "trade wars" result in heavy job losses Reducing wasteful government spending [Rotate top two] CPC Leader Pierre Poilievre Liberal Leader Mark Carney Not sure/Can't say

### Q\_Platform1 Base=All Single choice

This week, both the Liberal Party and Conservative Party released their platforms. The Liberals released their platform on Saturday, April 19 and the Conservatives released theirs on Tuesday, April 22.

How much, if any, of each party's platform have you read?

[Rotate] Conservative Party Liberal Party

All of it A lot of it A little of it None

### Q\_Platform2 Base=Already voted (top 2 at QAV1) but exclude none in Q\_Platform1 Single choice

The Liberals released their platform during the weekend of advance voting. Did you read any of the party's platform before you voted?

Yes No Not sure/ Can't say

### Q\_Platform3 Base=Already voted (top 2 at QAV) Single choice

The Conservative Party released its platform after the advanced voting polls closed on Easter weekend. You indicated you voted in advance; how do you feel about the Conservatives' platform not being available before you voted?

I would've liked to have read it before I voted It doesn't matter to me Not sure/ Can't say

Q\_Regret

### Base=All Single choice

Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statements:

[Randomize] I would seriously regret if I did not vote in this federal election In our political system, my one individual vote doesn't really matter None of the parties really care about the issues facing people like me The election campaign has been informative for me Trump and the tariffs got in the way of discussing a lot of other important issues facing Canada

Strongly agree Agree Disagree Strongly disagree Not sure/ Can't say

#### Q\_Regret2 Base=All Single choice

In your opinion, do you consider voting to be primarily a duty or do you believe it is a choice?

A duty A choice Not sure/ Can't say

### +Demo\_Years\_in\_Canada

QP7. BASE = All SINGLE SELECT

And a final question on provincial politics before you go. Who did you vote for in the last [Province] provincial election in [Month of Year]?

### [RANDOMIZE]

Liberal Party [AB] [SK] [MB] [ON] [QC] [PEI] [NB] [NS] [NL] Saskatchewan Party [SK] Progressive Conservative Party [MB] [ON] [PEI] [NB] [NS] [NL] Conservative Party [QC][BC] New Democratic Party (NDP) [BC] [AB] [SK] [MB] [ON] [PEI] [NB] [NS] [NL] Green Party [BC] [AB] [SK] [MB] [ON] [QC] [PEI] [NB] [NS] United Conservative Party [AB] Alberta Party [AB] Coalition Avenir Québec **[QC]** Parti Québécois **[QC]** Québec Solidaire **[QC]** People's Alliance **[NB]** Other party I did not vote I can't remember