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Base: ALL

What province or territory do you live in?

Newfoundland
Prince Edward Island
Nova Scotia
New Brunswick
Quebec
Ontario
Manitoba
Saskatchewan
Alberta
British Columbia
Northwest Territories
Nunavut Territory
Yukon Territory
Outside Canada

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Base: ALL

What is your gender?

Male
Female

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Base: ALL

What is your year of birth? [SELECT]

1991 or later
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1910
Before 1910

PAGE 40
Base: ALL
What is the highest level of education which you have completed?
No formal schooling
Some public or elementary school
Graduated public or elementary school
Some high school
Graduated high school
Some technical or senior college
Graduated technical or senior college
Graduated community college
Some university
Graduated university (BA, BSc level or higher degree)
Don't know / Can't remember

PAGE 50
Base: ALL
Do you work outside the home?
Yes, full-time
Yes, part-time
No routepage=70

PAGE 60
Base: ALL THOSE WHO WORK OUTSIDE THE HOME
What kind of work do you do, that is, what is your occupation?
[Textline]

PAGE 70
Base: ALL

What language did you first learn as a child?
English
French
Other Language

PAGE 80
Base: ALL
What language is spoken most often in your home?
English
French
Other Language

PAGE 90
Base: ALL
Into which of the following categories does your total family income before taxes fall?
Under $20,000
$20,000 to $29,999
$30,000 to $39,999
$40,000 to $49,999
$50,000 to $59,999
$60,000 to $79,999
$80,000 to $99,999
$100,000 or more
Don't know

PAGE 100
Base: ALL
As you may know, there will be a federal election on October 14th. Are you very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested in the federal election?
Very interested
Somewhat interested
Not very interested
Not at all interested
Don't know

PAGE 110
Base: ALL
Using a scale that runs from 0 to 10, where 0 means *very unlikely* to vote and 10 means *very likely* to vote, how likely is it that you will vote in the federal election on October 14th?
0 Very unlikely to vote
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8

9
10 Very likely to vote
Don't know
Not applicable, I have already voted
Not applicable, I am not eligible to vote

PAGE 120
Base: ALL
In your opinion, what is the most important issue in the federal election?
[Textline]

PAGE 130
Base: ALL
Which party is closest to you on this issue?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
None, No party closest
Don't know

[PAGE BLOCK: RANDOM]

PAGE 140
ROTATE QUESTIONS 14-18
Base: ALL
Using a scale that runs from 0 to 10, where 0 means *strongly dislike* and 10 means *strongly like*, how do you feel about Stéphane Dion, the Liberal leader?
0 Strongly Dislike
1
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8
9
10 Strongly Like
Don't know

PAGE 150
Base: ALL
Using a scale that runs form 0 to 10, where 0 means *strongly dislike* and 10 means *strongly like*, how do you feel about Stephen Harper, the Conservative leader?
0 Strongly Dislike
1

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9
10 Strongly Like
Don't know

PAGE 160
Base: ALL
Using a scale that runs from 0 to 10, where 0 means *strongly dislike* and 10 means *strongly like*, how do you feel about Jack Layton, the NDP leader?
0 Strongly Dislike
1
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10 Strongly Like
Don't know

PAGE 170
Base: ALL
Using a scale that runs form 0 to 10, where 0 means *strongly dislike* and 10 means *strongly like*, how do you feel about Gilles Duceppe, the Bloc Québécois leader?
0 Strongly Dislike
1
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3
4
5
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7
8
9
10 Strongly Like
Don't know

PAGE 180
Base: ALL

Using a scale that runs form 0 to 10, where 0 means *strongly dislike* and 10 means *strongly like*, how do you feel about Elizabeth May, the Green Party leader?
0 Strongly Dislike
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 Strongly Like
Don't know
END ROTATE QUESTIONS

[END BLOCK]

PAGE 190
Base: ALL
How much have you heard or read about the Liberal Party's proposed Green Shift program?
Little or nothing
Few things
Fair amount
Great deal

PAGE 200
Base: ALL
[Adhoc]
Here are some statements people are making about the Green Shift program. Please indicate if you *agree* or *disagree*.
[End Adhoc]

[PAGE BLOCK: RANDOM]

PAGE 210
ROTATE QUESTIONS 21-25
Base: ALL
The Green Shift program is important for saving the earth from environmental disaster.
Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know

PAGE 220

Base: ALL

The Green Shift program puts an unfair burden on Canada -- countries like China and the United States that are big polluters should pay for cleaning up the environment.

Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know

PAGE 230

Base: ALL

The Green Shift program will slow the Canadian economy and make it harder for people to find jobs.

Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know

PAGE 240

Base: ALL

Most Canadians will never see the tax cuts that the green shift program promises to make up for higher energy costs.

Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know

PAGE 250

Base: ALL

The Green Shift program is a 'win-win' -- the program will be good for the environment *and* it will be good for the Canadian economy.

Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know

PAGE 260

Base: All

The Green Shift program will make Canada's tax system fairer by letting ordinary people keep more of their incomes.

Strongly agree
Agree
Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree
Strongly disagree
Don't know
END ROTATE QUESTIONS

[END BLOCK]

PAGE 270
Base: All
Overall, do you favour or oppose the Green Shift program?
Strongly favour
Favour
Neither favour nor oppose
Oppose
Strongly oppose
Don't know

PAGE 280
Base: ALL
If you vote in the October 14th federal election, have you decided which party you will vote for, or haven't you decided yet?
Yes, decided routepage=300
No, not decided yet
Will not vote routepage=310
Don't know

PAGE 290
Base: THOSE UNDECIDED OR DON'T KNOW
Which party do you think you are most likely to vote for?
Liberals routepage=310
Conservatives routepage=310
NDP routepage=310
Bloc Québécois routepage=310
Green Party routepage=310
Other Party routepage=310
Don't know routepage=310

PAGE 300
Base: ALL THOSE DECIDED
Which party will you vote for? [If you have already voted, please indicate which party you voted for]
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party

PAGE 310
Base: ALL

Thinking generally about how the Canadian economy is doing these days, would you say it is doing very well, fairly well, fairly bad or very bad?
Very well
Fairly well
Fairly bad
Very bad
Don't know

PAGE 320
Base: ALL
Thinking about the last two years, would you say the federal government has done a very good job, a good job, a poor job, or a very poor job in handling the economy?
Very good job
Good job
Poor job
Very poor job
Don't know

PAGE 330
Base: ALL
How does the financial situation of your household now compare with what it was 12 months ago? Has it:
Got a lot better
Got a little better
Stayed the same
Got a little worse
Got a lot worse
Don’t know

PAGE 340
Base: ALL
How do you think the financial situation of your household will change over the *next* 12 months? Will it:
Get a lot better
Get a little better
Stay the same
Get a little worse
Get a lot worse
Don't know

PAGE 350
Base: ALL
There's been a lot of talk recently about same-sex marriage. Do you favour or oppose same-sex marriage?
Favour
Oppose
Don't know

PAGE 360
Base: All

Do you think Canada should have *closer ties* with the United States, keep things about the same as now, or have *looser ties* with the United States?
Much closer ties
Somewhat closer ties
Keep things the same as now
Somewhat looser ties
Much looser ties
Don't know

PAGE 370
Base: All
[Adhoc]
Some people think taxes should be reduced so people can keep more of the money they have earned; others think taxes should be increased to pay for more government services; still others think taxes should stay at present levels.
[End Adhoc]
What do you favour?
Reduce taxes so people can keep more of their money
Keep taxes at present levels
Increase taxes so people can have more government services
Don't know

PAGE 380
Base: ALL
Using a 0 to 10 scale where 0 means that government should do everything possible to develop the economy even if it means some things are not done to protect the environment, and 10 means that government should do everything possible to protect the environment even if it hurts the economy, where would you place *yourself*?
0 – Do everything possible to develop the economy
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 – Do everything possible protect the environment
Don’t know

PAGE 390
Base: ALL
How do you think the general economic situation in this country has changed over the last 12 months? Has it:
Got a lot better
Got a little better
Stayed the same
Got a little worse
Got a lot worse

Don’t know

PAGE 400
Base: ALL
How do you think the general economic situation in this country will develop over the next 12 months? Will it:
Get a lot better
Get a little better
Stay the same
Get a little worse
Get a lot worse
Don’t know

PAGE 410
Base: ALL
Which of the following do you think has the biggest effect on the Canadian economy?
The provincial government in your province
The federal government in Ottawa
The United States
All of them equally
None of them
Don’t know

PAGE 420
Base: ALL
People sometimes use the labels "left" and "right" to describe political parties, party leaders and political ideas. Do you sometimes use these labels when thinking about parties and politics?
Yes
No routepage=440
Don't Know routepage=440

PAGE 430
[ASK IF "YES" TO PAGE 420]
Would you describe yourself as left, centre-left, centre, centre-right or right?
Left
Centre-left
Centre
Centre-right
Right
Don't know

PAGE 440
[ASK IF "NO" or "Don't Know" to PAGE 42]
if p420q1.HasValue(1) then
routepage = 450
end if
If you had to choose, would you say that you consider yourself as left, centre-left, centre, centre-right, or right?
Left

Centre-left
Centre
Centre-right
Right
Don't know

PAGE 450
Base: ALL
Thinking about *federal* politics, do you *usually* think of yourself as a Liberal, Conservative, NDP, Bloc Québécois, or what?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
Independent routepage=470
None routepage=470
Don't know routepage=470

PAGE 460
TEXT SUBSTITUTION
VAR1=[GETOPTION P45Q1]
Base: THOSE WHO NAMED A PARTY
How strongly do you feel about the [=p45q1] party? Would you say, very strongly, fairly strongly, or not very strongly?
Very strongly routepage=490
Fairly strongly routepage=490
Not very strongly routepage=490
Don't know routepage=490

PAGE 470
Base: THOSE WHO ANSWERED OTHER, INDEPENDENT, NONE OR DON'T KNOW TO PAGE 44
Do you generally think of yourself as being a little *closer* to one of the *federal* parties than to the others?
Yes
No routepage=490
Don't know routepage=490

PAGE 480
Base: ALL THOSE WHO ANSWERED YES TO PAGE 47
Which party is that?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
Don't know

PAGE 490
Base: ALL
Some people think that more should be done to protect [=p1q1]'s interests in the federal system. Others think that enough is being done already, and still others think that less should be done. How much do you think should be done to protect [=p1q1]'s interests in the federal system?
Much more
Somewhat more
About the same as now
Somewhat less
Much less
Don't know

PAGE 500
Base: ALL
Which federal political party would do the most to help [=p1q1]?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
Don't know

PAGE 510
Base: ALL
Which federal political party would do the most to help immigrants and ethnic minorities?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
Don't know

PAGE 520
Base: Quebec Only
if NOT p10q1.HasValue(5) then
routepage = 550
end if
Some people think that more should be done to protect the French language in Quebec. Others think that enough is being done already, and still others think that less should be done. How much to you think should be done to protect the French language in Quebec?
Much more
Somewhat more
About the same as now
Somewhat less
Much less
Dont' know

PAGE 530
Base: Quebec Only
If a referendum on Quebec sovereignty were held today, would you vote in favour or against sovereignty?
In favour of sovereignty routepage=550
Against sovereignty routepage=550
Undecided
Would not vote routepage=550
Don't know

PAGE 540
Base: ALL THOSE UNDECIDED OR DON'T KNOW IN PAGE 52
Are you leaning in either direction? What side do you support most?
In favour of sovereignty
Against sovereignty
Undecided
Would not vote
Don't know

PAGE 550
Base: ALL
In which country were you born?
Canada routepage=570
Another Country:

Please specify: [OPTIONAL]
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if p550q1.HasValue(2) AND p550q2.ValueText = "" then
        p550q1.addError("Please provide an answer for 'Another Country'")
        p550q1.Value = 2
end if
if (NOT p550q1.HasValue(2)) AND p550q2.ValueText <> "" then
        p550q2.Values.Clear()
end if
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[TEXTLINE]

[Adhoc]
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[END JAVASCRIPT]

PAGE 560
Base: People not born in Canada

How many years have you been living in Canada?
less than 1 year
1 to 5 years
6 to 10 years
11 to 20 years
more than 20 years

PAGE 570
Base: ALL
Which ethnic or cultural group did your forebearers on your father's side belong to?
[Textline]

PAGE 580
Base: ALL
Which ethnic or cultural group did your forebearers on your mother's side belong to?
[Textline]

PAGE 590
Base: All
Finally, did you vote in the January 2006 Canadian federal election?
Yes
No routepage =610
No, not eligible - too young routepage = 610
No, not eligible - other reason routepage = 610
Can't remember routepage =610

PAGE 600
[IF 'Yes' IN PAGE 590]
Which party did you vote for?
Liberal
Conservative
NDP
Bloc Québécois
Green Party
Other Party
Can't remember

PAGE 610
If you want to take part in our prize draw, please enter your email address below. Your email address will only be used for the purpose of this prize draw, it will NOT be used for further research or marketing, unless you tick 'Yes' below. [Optional]
[Textline]

Would you like to take part in other prize draw surveys or be paid to take part in surveys in the future? Please note that YouGov will ONLY ever contact you about future surveys.
Yes
No

[END]