

Canadians prefer to decrease tensions and engage in diplomatic talks with China rather than increasing tensions by boycotting Chinese goods

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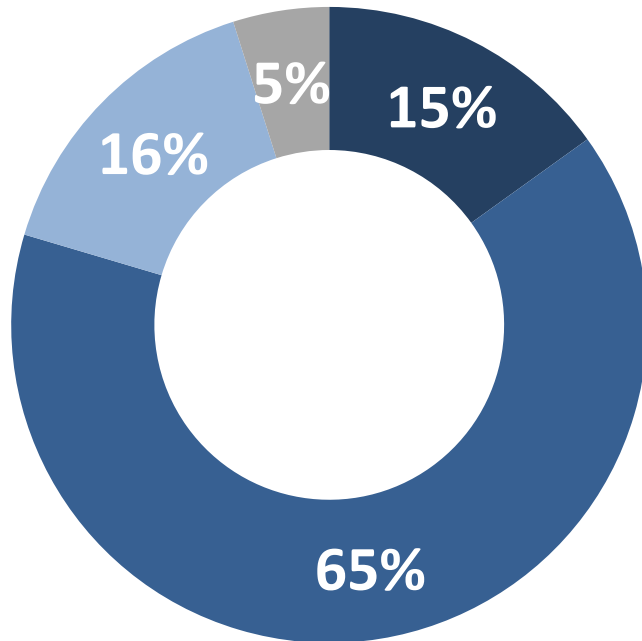
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- **A majority of Canadians say the best path forward to the current tensions between the Chinese and Canadian governments is for Canada to decrease tensions with China and engage in diplomatic talks** – Asked what they think is the best path forward following the current tension between Chinese and Canadian governments, a majority of Canadians (65%) say Canada should decrease tensions with China and engage in diplomatic talks, while under two in ten say Canada should be patient and do nothing in the short term (16%) and fifteen per cent say Canada should increase tensions with China by putting a boycott on Chinese goods. Five per cent are unsure. Residents of Quebec are more likely to say Canada should decrease tensions with China and engage in diplomatic talks (73%), while residents from the Prairies were less likely to say so (57%).
- **Canadians more frequently say that the best path forward for Canada regarding the Huawei Executive arrest is for Canada to find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive** – Asked what they think the best path forward is regarding the arrest of Huawei Executive at the request of the American government, Canadians most frequently say to find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive (45%), followed by allowing the Canadian extradition proceedings involving the Huawei executive regardless of pressure from China (43%). Less than one in ten say for Canada to be patient and do nothing in the short term (seven per cent). Six per cent are unsure. Residents of Quebec are more likely to say Canada should find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive (55%) compared to residents of British-Columbia (39%) and the Prairies (40%).

These observations are based on an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between May 31st and June 4th, 2019 as part of an omnibus survey.

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Best path forward for Canada



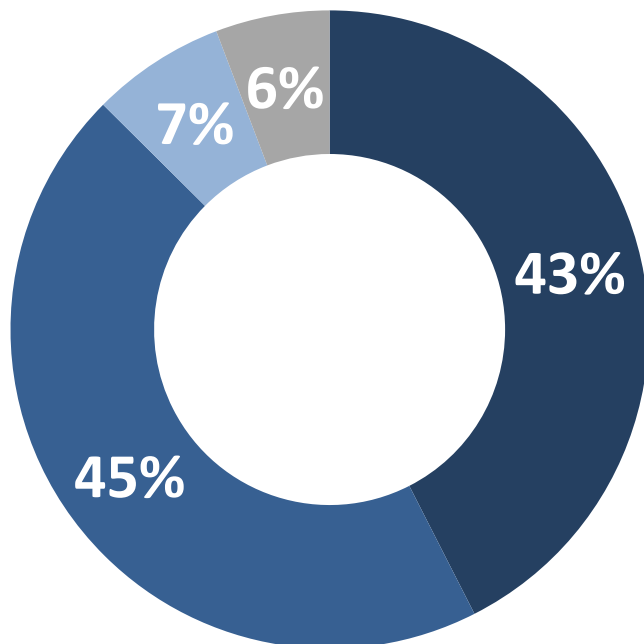
- For Canada to increase tensions with China by putting a boycott on Chinese goods
- For Canada to decrease tensions with China and engage in diplomatic talks
- For Canada to be patient and do nothing in the short term
- Unsure

	Decrease tensions
Atlantic (n=100)	61.6%
Quebec (n=250)	72.8%
Ontario (n=300)	65.0%
Prairies (n=200)	56.6%
British Columbia (n=150)	62.1%
Male (n=519)	59.2%
Female (n=481)	69.6%
18 to 34 (n=263)	61.1%
35 to 54 (n=385)	61.3%
55 plus (n=352)	69.7%

*Weighted to the true population proportion.
*Charts may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

QUESTION – As you may have heard, there is currently tension between the Chinese and Canadian Governments. This includes Canada detaining a Huawei Executive at the request of the Americans and China arresting Canadians on charges they stole Chinese state secrets. China is also currently boycotting the purchase of Canadian canola. What do you think is the best path forward for Canada: [RANDOMIZE]

Best path forward after the arrest of Huawei Executive



- Allow the Canadian extradition proceedings involving the Huawei Executive regardless of pressure from China
- Find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive
- For Canada to be patient and do nothing in the short term
- Unsure

	Allow the extradition proceedings	Find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive
Atlantic (n=100)	42.1%	43.1%
Quebec (n=250)	29.1%	54.9%
Ontario (n=300)	46.6%	43.2%
Prairies (n=200)	47.2%	40.2%
British Columbia (n=150)	50.6%	39.3%
Male (n=519)	48.4%	40.4%
Female (n=481)	36.8%	49.3%
18 to 34 (n=263)	47.2%	37.0%
35 to 54 (n=385)	43.5%	42.7%
55 plus (n=352)	38.4%	52.5%

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QUESTION – Thinking of the arrest of Huawei Executive at the request of the American Government, what do you think is the best path forward for Canada? [RANDOMIZE]



Nanos conducted an RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online random survey of 1,000 Canadians, 18 years of age or older, between May 31st and June 4th, 2019 as part of an omnibus survey. Participants were randomly recruited by telephone using live agents and administered a survey online. The sample included both land- and cell-lines across Canada. The results were statistically checked and weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada.

Individuals randomly called using random digit dialling with a maximum of five call backs.

The margin of error for this survey is ± 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

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This is report three of four, the other reports are about recycling and waste, responding to leaked information and climate change.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Element	Description
Organization who commissioned the research	CTV News
Final Sample Size	1,000 Randomly selected individuals.
Margin of Error	±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.
Mode of Survey	RDD dual frame (land- and cell-lines) hybrid telephone and online omnibus survey
Sampling Method Base	The sample included both land- and cell-lines RDD (Random Digit Dialed) across Canada.
Demographics (Captured)	Atlantic Canada, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies, British Columbia; Men and Women; 18 years and older. Six digit postal code was used to validate geography.
Fieldwork/Validation	Individuals were recruited using live interviews with live supervision to validate work, the research questions were administered online
Number of Calls	Maximum of five call backs.
Time of Calls	Individuals were called between 12-5:30 pm and 6:30-9:30pm local time for the respondent.
Field Dates	May 31 st to June 4 th , 2018.
Language of Survey	The survey was conducted in both English and French.
Standards	This report exceeds the standards set forth by CRIC, ESOMAR and AAPOR.

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Weighting of Data	The results were weighted by age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to ensure a distribution across all regions of Canada. See tables for full weighting disclosure
Screening	Screening ensured potential respondents did not work in the market research industry, in the advertising industry, in the media or a political party prior to administering the survey to ensure the integrity of the data.
Excluded Demographics	Individuals younger than 18 years old; individuals without land or cell lines, and individuals without internet access could not participate.
Stratification	By age and gender using the latest Census information (2016) and the sample is geographically stratified to be representative of Canada. Smaller areas such as Atlantic Canada were marginally oversampled to allow for a minimum regional sample.
Estimated Response Rate	11 percent, consistent with industry norms.
Question Order	Question order in the preceding report reflects the order in which they appeared in the original questionnaire. This is report three of four, the other reports are about recycling and waste, responding to leaked information and climate change.
Question Content	This was module one of an omnibus survey.
Question Wording	The questions in the preceding report are written exactly as they were asked to individuals.
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TABULATIONS

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			Region						Gender		Age		
			Canada 2019-05	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Male	Female	18 to 34	34 to 54	55 plus
Question - As you may have heard, there is currently tension between the Chinese and Canadian Governments. This includes Canada detaining a Huawei Executive at the request of the Americans and China arresting Canadians on charges they stole Chinese state secrets. China is also currently boycotting the purchase of Canadian canola. What do you think is the best path forward for Canada: [RANDOMIZE]	Total	Unwgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	519	481	263	385	352
		Wgt N	1000	100	250	300	200	150	491	509	271	340	389
	For Canada to increase tensions with China by putting a boycott on Chinese goods	%	15.1	11.6	13.0	14.5	21.8	13.1	18.4	11.9	12.7	20.0	12.5
	For Canada to decrease tensions with China and engage in diplomatic talks	%	64.5	61.6	72.8	65.0	56.6	62.1	59.2	69.6	61.1	61.3	69.7
	For Canada to be patient and do nothing in the short term	%	15.5	22.1	9.8	15.1	14.6	22.8	19.7	11.5	21.3	14.0	12.9
	Unsure	%	4.9	4.8	4.4	5.4	7.0	2.0	2.8	6.9	5.0	4.7	5.0

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	Allow the Canadian extradition proceedings involving the Huawei Executive regardless of pressure from China	%	42.5	42.1	29.1	46.6	47.2	50.6	48.4	36.8	47.2	43.5	38.4
	Find a diplomatic solution to release the Huawei Executive	%	44.9	43.1	54.9	43.2	40.2	39.3	40.4	49.3	37.0	42.7	52.5
	For Canada to be patient and do nothing in the short term	%	6.8	9.0	9.7	3.8	8.3	4.4	7.9	5.7	7.9	6.5	6.3
	Unsure	%	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.4	4.3	5.6	3.3	8.2	8.0	7.4	2.8