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A Report To The Globe and Mail and CTV

**North Korea, Afghanistan and
Liberal Leadership**

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Introduction and Methodology

- ◆ Gregg, Kelly, Sullivan & Woolstencroft: *The Strategic Counsel* is pleased to present findings of The Globe and Mail/CTV Polling Program for October 2006.
- ◆ Results are based on tracking among a proportionate national sample of Canadians 18 years of age or older.
- ◆ Interviews were conducted between October 12th and 15th, 2006.
- ◆ The following table outlines the sample distribution and associated margin of error.
- ◆ Note: Proportions may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Sample Distribution and Margin of Error

	October 12-15	
Region	Sample Size	Margin of Error (\pm)
Canada	1000	3.1
Quebec	247	6.3
Rest of Canada	753	3.6
Ontario	379	5.0
West	297	5.7

Detailed Tables

How would Canadians vote today?

	Canada										Region																			
											Quebec					Rest of Canada*														
	2006										2006					2006														
	2004 Results	2006 Results	Feb 16-19	Apr 6-9	May 3-4	June 7-8	July 13-16	July 27-30	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15	2004 Results	2006 Results	Feb 16-19	Apr 6-9	May 3-4	June 7-8	July 13-16	July 27-30	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15	2004 Results	2006 Results	Feb 16-19	Apr 6-9	May 3-4	June 7-8	July 13-16	July 27-30	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15
N=	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	753	753	753	753	753	753	753	753	753	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Liberal candidate	37	30	28	29	31	27	26	29	26	32	34	21	19	19	16	17	16	21	18	28	38	33	31	33	35	30	29	32	29	33
Conservative candidate	30	36	39	39	35	36	37	38	35	32	9	25	31	29	30	25	24	23	16	16	37	40	41	43	36	39	41	43	41	37
NDP candidate	16	18	19	14	16	19	18	15	19	17	5	8	10	4	6	12	5	6	11	6	19	21	22	17	19	21	22	18	21	20
Bloc Quebecois candidate	12	11	9	11	10	9	11	11	12	11	49	42	37	42	40	39	50	43	48	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Party candidate	4	5	5	7	9	9	8	7	8	9	3	4	3	5	8	7	6	8	7	6	5	5	6	7	10	10	8	7	9	10
											Ontario					West														
											379	379	379	379	379	379	379	379	379	379	297	297	297	297	297	297	297	297	297	297
											%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Liberal candidate											45	40	38	40	42	35	36	39	37	36	27	23	21	20	25	23	21	20	17	27
Conservative candidate											32	35	36	36	34	36	34	41	35	33	46	49	49	53	42	45	51	50	50	42
NDP candidate											18	19	20	15	16	20	21	16	19	19	20	22	25	19	21	22	20	20	23	22
Bloc Quebecois candidate											-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Party candidate											4	5	6	9	9	9	9	5	9	11	5	5	5	8	12	10	8	10	10	10

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

- Q. If the federal election was being held tomorrow, do you think you'd be supporting the (ROTATE LIST) Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, or the Green Party candidate in your area or (QUEBEC ONLY) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?
- Q. In that case, which party's candidate in your local area would you be leaning towards at this time? Would it be the (ROTATE LIST) Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, Green Party candidate in your area or (QUEBEC ONLY) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?

Base: Total sample

North Korea: What should Canada support?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
There should be a military invasion of North Korea	3	3	3	3	4
Introducing economic sanctions, including no longer trading with North Korea until they give up their nuclear weapons program	40	33	42	40	46
Incentives should be offered to North Korea, such as food or needed manufactured goods, in return for their giving up their nuclear weapons program	24	23	24	24	22
Talks with North Korea should continue but no new actions should be taken	29	34	27	32	23
DK/NA/Ref	5	8	4	2	5

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Q. As you may know, North Korea recently announced that it tested a nuclear weapon. There has been much discussion about how the global community should respond. Which one of the following options do you personally think Canada should support?

Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded? – Summary

% Strongly/Somewhat Support

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Introducing a new energy tax, based on the total amount of energy consumed by both consumers and industries	55	57	54	58	53
Heavy fines for all energy-using industries that do not reduce their greenhouse gas emissions	84	90	83	86	79
Increasing income taxes	18	14	19	21	19
Introducing pay tolls on all major roads and highways	37	62	29	30	27
Increasing the price of gasoline significantly	20	20	19	20	22

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q. There is evidence that the world is becoming warmer and many believe that this is a consequence of the accumulation of greenhouse gases in the earth's atmosphere. In order to pay for new greenhouse gas reductions programs, would you strongly support, support, oppose or strongly oppose the following measures?

Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded?

Introducing a new energy tax, based on the total amount of energy consumed by both consumers and industries

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Support	55	57	54	58	53
Strongly support	15	15	15	17	13
Somewhat support	40	42	40	41	40
Oppose	27	27	27	25	27
Strongly oppose	16	15	17	15	17
NET Oppose	43	42	43	40	44
DK/NA/Ref	2	2	2	2	3

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Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded?

Heavy fines for all energy-using industries that do not reduce their greenhouse gas emissions

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Support	84	90	83	86	79
Strongly support	47	56	45	47	44
Somewhat support	37	34	38	39	36
Oppose	10	5	11	9	15
Strongly oppose	4	3	4	3	4
NET Oppose	13	8	15	13	19
DK/NA/Ref	2	2	2	2	2

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Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded?

Increasing income taxes

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Support	18	14	19	21	19
Strongly support	3	1	3	2	5
Somewhat support	15	12	16	19	14
Oppose	38	37	38	38	39
Strongly oppose	43	47	42	41	40
NET Oppose	81	84	80	79	79
DK/NA/Ref	1	2	1	<1	2

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Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded?

Introducing pay tolls on all major roads and highways

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Support	37	62	29	30	27
Strongly support	10	21	7	5	8
Somewhat support	27	41	22	25	19
Oppose	35	23	39	38	43
Strongly oppose	26	13	31	31	29
NET Oppose	61	36	69	68	72
DK/NA/Ref	2	2	2	2	2

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Base: Total sample

How should new greenhouse gas reduction programs be funded?

Increasing the price of gasoline significantly

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Support	20	20	19	20	22
Strongly support	6	7	5	4	7
Somewhat support	14	13	14	16	15
Oppose	33	36	32	31	33
Strongly oppose	47	42	48	48	44
NET Oppose	79	78	80	79	77
DK/NA/Ref	1	2	1	1	1

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Base: Total sample

Do Canadians Support or Oppose Sending Troops To Afghanistan?

	Canada								Region																													
									Quebec				Rest of Canada*				Ontario				West																	
	Mar 9-12	May 3-4	Jun 7-8	Jul 13-16	Aug 10-13	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15	Mar 9-12	May 3-4	Jun 7-8	Jul 13-16	Aug 10-13	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15	Mar 9-12	May 3-4	Jun 7-8	Jul 13-16	Aug 10-13	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15	Mar 9-12	May 3-4	Jun 7-8	Jul 13-16	Aug 10-13	Sep 14-17	Oct 12-15										
n=	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	753	753	753	753	753	753	753	753	379	379	379	379	379	379	379	379	297	297	297	297	297	297	297	297
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total Support	55	40	48	39	37	42	44	43	27	39	24	21	27	30	59	44	51	44	42	47	49	58	42	49	39	42	46	46	61	49	56	50	42	49	53			
Strongly support	11	6	11	8	6	11	10	3	1	5	-	<1	3	4	14	8	13	11	8	13	12	15	8	10	9	7	11	11	12	8	17	12	10	14	13			
Support	44	34	37	31	31	32	34	40	26	34	24	21	23	26	45	36	38	33	34	35	37	43	34	39	30	35	35	36	49	41	39	38	32	35	40			
Oppose	26	31	26	31	31	26	26	32	39	33	36	41	33	29	24	28	23	29	29	24	25	22	30	23	31	30	27	27	25	25	21	28	29	21	26			
Strongly oppose	15	23	18	25	24	23	27	21	31	23	35	34	34	39	13	20	16	22	20	20	23	16	20	18	23	19	18	25	10	20	14	19	21	21	18			
Total Oppose	41	54	44	56	55	49	53	53	70	56	71	75	67	68	37	49	39	51	49	44	48	38	50	41	54	49	44	51	35	45	35	47	50	42	44			
DK/NA/Ref	4	6	8	5	8	8	3	4	3	5	5	4	6	3	4	7	9	5	9	9	3	4	8	10	7	9	10	3	4	6	10	3	8	9	3			

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Q. Overall, do you strongly support, support, oppose or strongly oppose the decision to send Canadian troops to Afghanistan?

Base: Total sample

Canadian casualties: is it the price we have to pay, or is the price too high?

	Canada				Region															
					Quebec				Rest of Canada*				Ontario				West			
	Mar 9-12† (some*)	Aug 10-13 (20*)	Sep 14-17 (32*)	Oct 12-15 (40*)	Mar 9-12† (some*)	Aug 10-13 (20*)	Sep 14-17 (32*)	Oct 12-15 (40*)	Mar 9-12† (some*)	Aug 10-13 (20*)	Sep 14-17 (32*)	Oct 12-15 (40*)	Mar 9-12† (some*)	Aug 10-13 (20*)	Sep 14-17 (32*)	Oct 12-15 (40*)	Mar 9-12† (some*)	Aug 10-13 (20*)	Sep 14-17 (32*)	Oct 12-15 (40*)
n=	1000	1000	1000	1000	247	247	247	247	753	753	753	753	379	379	379	379	297	297	297	297
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
That is the price that must be paid by countries like Canada to help bring stability and peace to Afghanistan	59	36	36	42	47	23	24	27	63	41	40	46	61	42	38	43	65	41	43	52
Price is too high	39	58	57	55	51	74	72	69	35	53	53	50	36	50	56	53	33	53	48	45
DK/NA/Ref	2	6	6	4	2	3	4	5	2	6	7	3	3	8	6	4	2	6	8	3

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Q. More than 40 Canadian soldiers have been killed to date. Some say that is the price that must be paid by countries like Canada to help bring stability and peace to Afghanistan. Others say it is too high a price to pay. Which is closer to your point of view?

Base: Total sample

* Indicates number of soldiers killed to date stated in question

† Question wording in March survey slightly different: As you may know, the Canadian troops have experienced some casualties in Afghanistan. Some people say this is the price we have to pay to be part of international efforts to achieve security and stability in the region. Other people say this is too high a price to pay and if it means Canadian lives will be lost, we shouldn't be there. Which one of these two views best represents your own?

Would Canadians withdraw troops from Afghanistan?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Yes, would withdraw troops from Afghanistan	54	63	51	53	47
No, would not withdraw troops	42	35	45	43	47
DK/NA/Ref	4	2	4	4	6

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Q. If you had your way, would you withdraw our troops from Afghanistan?

Base: Total sample

Do Canadians think it was the right decision or wrong decision to send troops to Afghanistan?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Right decision	48	36	52	52	54
Wrong decision	48	61	43	45	40
DK/NA/Ref	4	3	5	4	6

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Q. And on balance, do you think it was the right decision or wrong decision for Canada to send troops to Afghanistan?

Base: Total sample

If Canada did withdraws its troops, how would that affect our reputation in the world community?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Would Improve	14	21	12	12	12
Would improve significantly	3	5	3	4	2
Would improve	11	16	9	8	11
Would not change	47	50	46	46	48
Would worsen	24	18	26	27	23
Would worsen significantly	12	7	14	13	15
NET Would Worsen	36	24	40	40	38
DK/NA/Ref	3	5	2	2	2

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Q. If Canada DID withdraw its troops now, do you think our reputation in the world community would improve significantly, improve, not change, worsen or worsen significantly?

Base: Total sample

Do Canadians think it was the right decision or wrong decision to NOT send troops to Iraq?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Right decision	79	79	79	81	78
Wrong decision	17	16	17	16	17
DK/NA/Ref	4	5	4	3	6

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Q. What about the decision NOT to send troops to Iraq...do you think that was the right or wrong decision?

Base: Total sample

Negotiate with the Taliban – a good idea or a poor idea?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
NET Good Idea	62	70	59	60	56
Very good idea	20	26	18	19	15
Good idea	42	44	41	40	41
Poor idea	19	17	19	18	22
Very poor idea	17	9	20	21	19
NET Poor Idea	36	26	39	39	41
DK/NA/Ref	2	4	2	1	3

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Q. It has been suggested that Canada and the NATO forces sit down with the Taliban and try to negotiate and end to the violence in Afghanistan. Do you think this is a very good, good, poor or very poor idea?

Base: Total sample

Assuming **Michael Ignatieff** won the Liberal Leadership race, who would be the best Prime Minister?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative Leader Stephen Harper	37	20	43	39	45
NDP Leader Jack Layton	17	12	18	21	14
Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe	7	21	2	2	3
Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff	23	28	21	22	21
DK/NA/Ref	17	19	17	17	18

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Q. Based on the voting for delegates to the Liberal Leadership Convention, many think that there are now four candidates that are the most likely to become the next leader of the Liberal Party. Assume (ROTATE AND READ LIST) ... Michael Ignatieff, Bob Rae, Gerard Kennedy, Stephane Dion) won the Liberal Leadership race. Who do you think would be the best Prime Minister(Rotate) Conservative Leader Stephen Harper, NDP Leader Jack Layton, Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe or Liberal Leader ... Michael Ignatieff, Bob Rae, Gerard Kennedy, Stephane Dion) ?

Base: Total sample

Assuming **Bob Rae** won the Liberal Leadership race, who would be the best Prime Minister?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative Leader Stephen Harper	36	20	41	37	45
NDP Leader Jack Layton	15	12	16	17	16
Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe	6	23	1	2	1
Liberal Leader Bob Rae	26	25	26	29	23
DK/NA/Ref	16	21	15	16	15

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Base: Total sample

Assuming Gerard Kennedy won the Liberal Leadership race, who would be the best Prime Minister?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative Leader Stephen Harper	38	24	43	41	44
NDP Leader Jack Layton	18	15	19	20	17
Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe	7	22	2	2	2
Liberal Leader Gerard Kennedy	17	14	19	20	17
DK/NA/Ref	20	26	18	18	20

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Base: Total sample

Assuming **Stephane Dion** won the Liberal Leadership race, who would be the best Prime Minister?

	Canada	Region			
		Quebec	Rest of Canada*	Ontario	West
	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15	Oct 12-15
n=	1000	247	753	379	297
	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative Leader Stephen Harper	38	21	43	39	47
NDP Leader Jack Layton	17	14	18	21	15
Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe	6	21	1	2	1
Liberal Leader Stephane Dion	21	24	21	21	20
DK/NA/Ref	18	20	17	18	17

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