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Half of Quebecers Oppose Transmountain Pipeline

Toronto, July 26th, 2019 – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 977 Quebecers, over half (BTM2: 51%) say they do not support the expansion of the Transmountain pipeline, with one third (35%) saying they oppose it strongly.

A third (TOP2: 36%) of Quebecers say they support the expansion of the Transmountain pipeline, with one-fifth (19%) who say they somewhat support it.

Respondents most likely to oppose include those aged 35 to 44 (59%) and 45 to 54 (56%), females (56%), voting QS (80%) in the Québec provincial election, voting for BQ (77%) in the federal election, earning \$100k-\$250k (58%), and who say the environment is the most important issue to them in the upcoming federal election (76%).

Respondents most likely to support include those over the age of 55 (42% of those 55 to 64 and 41% of those 65 and over), males (45%), voting Liberal (47%) in the provincial election, voting Conservative (52%) in the federal election, living in Québec City (52%), and those who said the economy is the most important issue to them in the upcoming federal election (65%).

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Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 977 randomly selected Quebecers. The poll was conducted from July 22-July 24, 2019.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20, measured as the average deviation across all response categories. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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Top2/Btm2 (or 3 or 4 where applicable) refers to the combined results of the most answered positive and negative responses:

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	631	112	91	133	119	176	303	315
NET: TOP3	66	57	60	68	78	86	67	64
NET: BTM3	34	43	39	32	21	14	32	36
Very satisfied	9	9	6	6	13	20	11	8
Satisfied	28	17	29	35	32	45	25	31
Somewhat satisfied	28	31	26	28	32	20	31	25
Somewhat dissatisfied	12	11	16	14	11	8	13	12
Dissatisfied	11	15	15	9	5	3	9	13
Very dissatisfied	11	18	9	8	5	3	9	12
Don't know	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

Top 3 here collects very satisfied, satisfied, and somewhat satisfied into one category, and Btm 3 collects very dissatisfied, dissatisfied, and somewhat dissatisfied. TABLE IS AN EXAMPLE ONLY.

Due to rounding some numbers may not add up to 100



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Support/Oppose Transmountain Pipeline Expansion

Overall, do you support or oppose the expansion of the Transmountain pipeline?

Age/gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female	Other
Sample	977	113	150	149	209	356	470	492	15
NET: TOP2	36	32	32	32	42	41	45	26	53
NET: BTM2	51	54	59	56	43	42	47	56	27
Strongly support	17	14	15	17	17	21	25	9	27
Somewhat support	19	18	17	15	25	19	21	17	27
Somewhat oppose	16	12	18	23	15	12	16	16	7
Strongly oppose	35	42	41	33	28	30	31	39	20
Don't know	14	14	9	12	15	18	8	18	20

Voter intention – Provincial

%	Total	Liberal, or PLQ	Parti Quebecois, or PQ	Coalition Avenir Quebec, or CAQ	Quebec Solidaire, or QS	Other Parties	Undecided
Sample	977	225	120	393	117	70	156
NET: TOP2	36	47	21	43	13	40	30
NET: BTM2	51	36	60	48	80	47	42
Strongly support	17	22	8	20	7	25	10
Somewhat support	19	25	13	23	6	15	19
Somewhat oppose	16	19	11	18	13	11	16
Strongly oppose	35	17	49	30	67	36	26
Don't know	14	16	19	9	7	13	29



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Voter intention – Federal

%	CON	LIB	NDP	Green	Bloc Quebecois	PPC	Other parties	Undecided
Sample	258	299	71	74	161	38	18	128
NET: TOP2	52	44	20	16	17	69	9	32
NET: BTM2	34	42	73	67	77	29	73	46
Strongly support	29	21	8	4	1	53	7	8
Somewhat support	23	24	11	13	16	16	2	24
Somewhat oppose	15	19	12	12	19	6	9	17
Strongly oppose	19	23	61	56	59	23	64	29
Don't know	15	13	7	17	6	2	18	22

Region

%	Total	Montreal	Quebec City	ROQ	North Shore	South Shore
Sample	977	346	117	514	203	311
NET: TOP2	36	36	52	32	33	32
NET: BTM2	51	50	35	54	54	54
Strongly support	17	16	35	14	11	16
Somewhat support	19	20	17	18	22	16
Somewhat oppose	16	17	7	17	14	18
Strongly oppose	35	33	28	37	40	36
Don't know	14	14	13	14	13	14

Language

%	Total	English	French	Other
Sample	977	126	807	44
NET: TOP2	36	51	35	18
NET: BTM2	51	38	52	56
Strongly support	17	20	17	11
Somewhat support	19	31	18	7
Somewhat oppose	16	18	16	10
Strongly oppose	35	21	36	46
Don't know	14	11	13	26



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Income

%	< \$20k	\$20k - \$40k	\$40k - \$60k	\$60k - \$80k	\$80k - \$100k	\$100k - \$250k	\$250k+
Sample	116	188	135	137	81	171	13
NET: TOP2	26	33	40	37	45	38	59
NET: BTM2	49	49	50	50	51	58	41
Strongly support	12	14	20	17	17	20	40
Somewhat support	14	19	20	20	27	17	18
Somewhat oppose	15	12	19	14	18	21	7
Strongly oppose	34	37	31	36	33	36	35
Don't know	25	18	11	13	5	5	0

Important Issues

%	Environment	Housing	Taxes	Economy	Immigration	Health-care	Education	Public safety
Sample	237	19	61	223	77	166	78	23
NET: TOP2	18	31	57	65	40	35	16	33
NET: BTM2	76	33	23	25	52	39	69	30
Strongly support	5	16	46	34	18	13	5	21
Somewhat support	12	15	11	31	22	23	11	12
Somewhat oppose	15	18	12	12	16	15	34	7
Strongly oppose	61	16	11	14	36	24	35	23
Don't know	6	35	20	10	8	26	15	36



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