

NEWS RELEASE



FORUM RESEARCH INC.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

More than Two-Thirds Oppose Government Loans to Private Companies

Toronto, March 9th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1,340 Canadian voters, (68%) oppose the Federal Government offering interest free loans to private, for-profit corporations. Only (14%) approve of this practice, while (18%) don't know.

Respondents most likely to oppose these types of loans include those earning \$60,000-\$80,000 (81%), living in Alberta (79%), who are NDP supporters (82%). Those who have completed some college or university also oppose this practice (74%).

Those most likely to approve of these types of loans include the least wealthy (22%), earning \$40,000-\$60,000 (20%), living in Québec (24%), and those with a post-graduate degree (17%).

“Offering loans to private, for-profit companies is risky, given how many people don't approve of the practice. It may be good policy, but it isn't always good politics,” said Dr. Lorne Bozinoff, President of Forum Research.

Lorne Bozinoff, Ph.D. is the president and founder of Forum Research. He can be reached at lbozinoff@forumresearch.com or at (416) 960-9603.

MEDIA INQUIRIES:

Lorne Bozinoff, President
lbozinoff@forumresearch.com
416.960.9603

TORONTO

March 9th, 2017

- “Offering loans to private, for-profit companies is risky, given how many people don't approve of the practice. It may be good policy, but it isn't always good politics,” said Dr. Lorne Bozinoff, President of Forum Research.



**FORUM
RESEARCH**

180 Bloor Street W., #1400
Toronto, ON M5S 2V6
T 416.960.9600
F 416.960.9602
forumresearch.com

NEWS RELEASE



Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 1,340 randomly selected Canadian Voters. The poll was conducted on Feb 24-26 2017.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20. 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.

With offices across Canada and around the world, 100% Canadian-owned Forum Research is one of the country's leading survey research firms. This Forum Poll™ and other polls may be found at Forum's poll archive at www.forumresearch.com/polls.asp

MEDIA INQUIRIES:

Lorne Bozinoff, President
lbozinoff@forumresearch.com
416.960.9603

TORONTO

March 9th, 2017



180 Bloor Street W., #1400
Toronto, ON M5S 2V6
T 416.960.9600
F 416.960.9602
forumresearch.com

NEWS RELEASE



FORUM RESEARCH INC.

MEDIA INQUIRIES:

Lorne Bozinoff, President
lbozinoff@forumresearch.com
416.960.9603

TORONTO

March 9th, 2017

Government Loans

Should the Federal government offer interest free loans to private, for profit corporations?

[All Respondents]

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1340	124	131	226	338	521	659	653
Yes	14	17	14	14	13	9	15	13
No	68	67	71	67	69	68	68	68
Don't know	18	16	15	19	19	23	17	19

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1340	143	266	182	162	114	180
Yes	14	22	15	20	6	10	12
No	68	51	61	70	81	70	77
Don't know	18	27	23	10	13	20	11

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	BC
Sample	1340	93	330	521	89	131	176
Yes	14	14	24	11	9	7	12
No	68	63	62	71	59	79	71
Don't know	18	24	14	18	32	14	17



180 Bloor Street W., #1400
Toronto, ON M5S 2V6
T 416.960.9600
F 416.960.9602
forumresearch.com

NEWS RELEASE



MEDIA INQUIRIES:

Lorne Bozinoff, President
lbozinoff@forumresearch.com
416.960.9603

TORONTO
March 9th, 2017

Current Vote Preference

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1340	414	449	177	76	81	44
Yes	14	15	17	9	16	17	12
No	68	69	64	82	66	67	64
Don't know	18	16	19	10	18	16	24

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1340	245	328	510	257
Yes	14	14	13	12	17
No	68	60	63	74	67
Don't know	18	26	23	14	15

For more information:

Lorne Bozinoff, Ph.D.

President

Forum Research Inc.

Tel: (416) 960-9603

Fax: (416) 960-9602

E-mail: lbozinoff@forumresearch.com



180 Bloor Street W., #1400
Toronto, ON M5S 2V6
T 416.960.9600
F 416.960.9602
forumresearch.com