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## A Slim Majority of Canadians Say Trudeau Apologizes Too Much for Government Wrongdoing from the Past

Toronto, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1733 Canadian voters, a little over half (TOP2: 54%) say they agree that Justin Trudeau apologizes too much for government wrongdoing from the past, with a third (30%) saying they strongly agree.

A little less than half (BTM2: 46%) say they disagree that Trudeau apologizes too much for government wrongdoing from the past, with a quarter (23%) saying they strongly disagree.

Respondents most likely to say they agree include those over 45 years old (57% of those 45 to 54, 56% of 55 to 64, 57% of 65 and over), males (60%), from Alberta (62%), and voting Conservative (75%) or PPC (77%).

Those who say they **strongly** agree are most likely 45 to 54 years old (36%) or 55 to 64 (33%), males (37%), earning \$80k-\$100k (33%) or \$100k-\$250k (31%), from Alberta (41%), and voting Conservative (54%) or PPC (54%).

Respondents most likely to say they disagree include those aged 18 to 34 (50%) or 35 to 44 (49%), females (53%), earning \$20k-\$40k (51%), \$60k-\$80k (49%), or \$80k-\$100k (48%), with a post graduate degree (50%) or some college or university education (47%), from Atlantic Canada (57%), and voting NDP (67%).

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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 1733 randomly selected Canadians across the country. The poll was conducted from July 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://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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***Agree/Disagree Trudeau Apologizes too Much***

*Do you agree or disagree with this statement: Justin Trudeau apologizes too much for government wrongdoing from the past?*

***Age/gender***

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Non-binary
Sample	1733	231	199	281	389	633	893	802	38
NET: TOP2	54	50	51	57	56	57	60	47	58
NET: BTM2	46	50	49	43	44	43	40	53	42
Strongly agree	30	28	25	36	33	27	37	22	42
Somewhat agree	24	22	26	21	23	29	23	25	16
Somewhat disagree	23	24	24	23	21	24	19	28	5
Strongly disagree	23	26	25	21	23	19	21	25	37



***Income***

%	Total	Less than \$20k	\$20k to \$40k	\$40k to \$60k	\$60k to \$80k	\$80k to \$100k	\$100k to \$250k
Sample	1733	162	270	266	216	199	344
NET: TOP2	54	55	49	54	51	52	55
NET: BTM2	46	45	51	46	49	48	45
Strongly agree	30	23	25	29	29	33	31
Somewhat agree	24	32	24	25	22	19	25
Somewhat disagree	23	21	26	24	24	27	21
Strongly disagree	23	24	24	22	25	21	24

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### Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	1733	298	484	599	352
NET: TOP2	54	57	53	55	50
NET: BTM2	46	43	47	45	50
Strongly agree	30	29	30	30	30
Somewhat agree	24	28	22	25	21
Somewhat disagree	23	21	27	21	25
Strongly disagree	23	22	20	24	25

### Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	1733	178	369	593	148	189	256
NET: TOP2	54	43	56	52	49	62	54
NET: BTM2	46	57	44	48	51	38	46
Strongly agree	30	24	26	30	27	41	34
Somewhat agree	24	19	30	23	23	21	20
Somewhat disagree	23	23	25	25	23	15	21
Strongly disagree	23	34	18	22	27	23	25



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### *Voter intention*

%	Total	CON	LIB	NDP	Green	BQ	PPC	Other
Sample	1733	579	536	156	188	73	78	45
NET: TOP2	54	75	39	33	39	64	77	65
NET: BTM2	46	25	61	67	61	36	23	35
Strongly agree	30	54	14	15	13	35	54	38
Somewhat agree	24	21	26	18	26	29	23	27
Somewhat disagree	23	14	32	21	33	13	16	13
Strongly disagree	23	11	28	46	28	23	7	22

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