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Foreign Buyers Tax on Real Estate in GTA Supported

Toronto, March 30th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 884 Ontario voters, almost two-thirds (62%) of respondents say they would support a foreign buyer's tax on real estate in the GTA. (20%) would oppose the imposition of a tax on foreign buyers, with (19%) saying they do not know.

Respondents most likely to support a foreign buyer's tax include those aged 35-44 (64%) or 45-54 (65%), earning \$40,000-\$60,000 (70%) or \$60,000-\$80,000 (71%), living in the 905 (68%) or Toronto (65%), with some college or university (62%), a college or university degree (65%), or a post-graduate degree (65%), and supporting the Green (64%), PC (63%), NDP (62%) parties.

Respondents most likely to oppose a foreign buyer's tax include the least wealthy (29%), living in Northeastern Ontario (29%), and the least educated (29%).

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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 884 randomly selected Ontario Voters. The poll was conducted on March, 28-30 2017.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3.3%, 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.

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Foreign Buyer's Tax

Would you support or oppose a foreign buyers' tax on real estate purchases in the Greater Toronto Area?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	884	139	120	150	220	255	465	402
Support	61	58	62	64	60	61	63	59
Oppose	20	21	21	21	19	16	24	16
Don't know	19	21	17	15	21	23	13	25

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	884	62	127	138	105	98	163
Support	61	45	46	69	70	62	66
Oppose	20	33	24	17	14	19	22
Don't know	19	22	29	14	16	19	12

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South- western Ontario	North- eastern Ontario	North- western Ontario
Sample	884	159	181	228	196	109	11
Support	61	58	61	68	55	58	44
Oppose	20	13	28	16	26	12	33
Don't know	19	30	11	17	19	29	23

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	884	124	227	372	161
Support	61	42	62	64	61
Oppose	20	30	17	18	24
Don't know	19	29	21	18	15

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Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	884	374	173	179	75	27
Support	61	63	57	61	64	44
Oppose	20	21	19	18	19	32
Don't know	19	15	23	20	17	24

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