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Almost Two-Thirds Say SNC Will Impact Their Vote

More than half say the situation has worsened their opinion of Trudeau

Toronto, March 1st—In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll™ among 1301 Canadians 18 years of age or older, almost two-thirds (TOP2: 59%) say the SNC-Lavalin situation will have an impact on their vote, with a third (36%) saying it will have a strong impact.

More than three quarters (TOP2: 80%) of Conservative voters say it will impact their vote.

It will likewise affect the vote of one-third (TOP2: 30%) of Liberals.

About 4 in 10 (BTM2: 41%) say it won't impact their vote, with a quarter (24%) saying it won't impact their vote at all.

Almost three-quarters (BTM2: 70%) of Liberal voters say it won't have an impact on their vote.

Half say they could confidently explain the situation if asked

Half (TOP2: 55%) say they could confidently explain the situation related to the Prime Minister's office, with a quarter (27%) say they could very confidently explain.

Conservatives (TOP2: 62%) and Liberals (TOP2: 63%) are most likely to say they could confidently explain the situation.

More than 4 in 10 (BTM2: 45%) say they couldn't confidently explain the situation, with a quarter (27%) saying they couldn't do so confidently at all.

Green (56%), BQ (54%), or PPC (53%) voters are most likely to say they couldn't confidently explain it.

More than half say it's worsened their opinion of Trudeau

The majority (57%) say that the situation has worsened their opinion of Justin Trudeau, while a third (36%) said it had no effect, and about 1 in 10 (7%) said it's improved their opinion of the Prime Minister.

Respondents most likely to say their opinion has worsened include those aged 35-44 (64%), males (64%), earning \$80-100,000 (62%) or the most wealthy (62%), with a college/university (59%) or post-graduate degree (58%), living in the prairies (MB/SK) (75%) or Alberta (76%), and supporting the BQ (66%) or PPC (68%).

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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 1301 randomly selected Canadians. The poll was conducted February 27th-28th, 2019.

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. Actual results depend on a Candidate's ability to get their voters out. 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. THIS TABLE IS AN EXAMPLE ONLY.

Due to rounding some numbers may not add up to 100

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Understanding of the situation

If a friend asked you to explain the situation related to the Prime Minister's Office and SNC Lavalin, how confidently would you be able to answer?

Age/gender

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Other
Sample	1301	244	178	201	311	367	694	570	37
NET: TOP2	55	45	63	59	60	56	63	49	49
NET: BTM2	45	55	37	41	40	44	37	51	51
Very confidently	27	23	31	33	28	23	35	20	30
Somewhat confidently	28	22	32	26	32	32	28	29	19
Not very confidently	17	20	13	16	15	21	15	20	19
Not confidently at all	27	35	23	24	25	23	22	32	32



Income

%	Total	Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 to \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$60,000	\$60,000 to \$80,000	\$80,000 to \$100,000	\$100,000 to \$250,000
Sample	1301	138	213	177	138	149	242
NET: TOP2	55	34	46	53	62	56	72
NET: BTM2	45	66	54	47	38	44	28
Very confidently	27	13	18	20	28	27	41
Somewhat confidently	28	21	28	32	35	29	31
Not very confidently	17	13	25	23	12	22	13
Not confidently at all	27	53	28	24	25	22	15

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Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	1301	239	364	482	216
NET: TOP2	55	38	53	58	71
NET: BTM2	45	62	47	42	29
Very confidently	27	11	23	31	41
Somewhat confidently	28	26	30	27	30
Not very confidently	17	18	19	18	13
Not confidently at all	27	44	28	24	16

Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	1301	41	435	445	75	157	148
NET: TOP2	55	41	52	54	60	73	56
NET: BTM2	45	59	48	46	40	27	44
Very confidently	27	22	21	24	31	48	30
Somewhat confidently	28	18	31	30	28	26	26
Not very confidently	17	25	19	15	19	11	23
Not confidently at all	27	35	29	31	21	15	21



Vote preference

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	BQ	PPC	Other
Sample	1301	471	340	143	79	79	71	38
NET: TOP2	55	62	63	52	44	46	47	36
NET: BTM2	45	38	37	48	56	54	53	64
Very confidently	27	36	24	16	27	27	31	21
Somewhat confidently	28	27	39	35	17	20	16	14
Not very confidently	17	13	19	16	23	31	20	24
Not confidently at all	27	25	18	32	33	23	33	40

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Vote impact

Overall, how much of an impact, if any, will the situation related to the Prime Minister's Office and SNC Lavalin have on your vote in the upcoming federal election?

[Base=more than not at all confidently able to explain the situation]

Age/gender

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Other
Sample	981	169	138	158	230	286	557	399	25
NET: TOP2	59	60	60	58	61	55	63	55	60
NET: BTM2	41	40	40	42	39	45	37	45	40
A strong impact	36	36	36	37	41	31	41	31	40
Some impact	23	24	24	21	21	25	22	25	20
Not a strong impact	17	16	18	19	15	16	14	20	8
Not impact at all	24	23	22	23	24	28	23	24	32



Income

%	Total	Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 to \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$60,000	\$60,000 to \$80,000	\$80,000 to \$100,000	\$100,000 to \$250,000
Sample	981	79	153	136	109	117	208
NET: TOP2	59	58	56	55	60	63	57
NET: BTM2	41	42	44	45	40	37	43
A strong impact	36	34	28	33	40	33	35
Some impact	23	24	28	22	20	31	22
Not a strong impact	17	16	18	15	18	16	19
Not impact at all	24	26	26	30	22	20	24

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Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	981	146	271	381	183
NET: TOP2	59	56	62	58	59
NET: BTM2	41	44	38	42	41
A strong impact	36	35	37	35	38
Some impact	23	21	24	24	22
Not a strong impact	17	18	15	17	18
Not impact at all	24	26	23	25	22

Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	981	29	322	318	61	132	119
NET: TOP2	59	31	52	59	70	75	67
NET: BTM2	41	69	48	41	30	25	33
A strong impact	36	20	27	31	52	56	47
Some impact	23	12	25	28	18	18	21
Not a strong impact	17	18	18	19	10	12	16
Not impact at all	24	51	30	22	21	13	17



Vote preference

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	BQ	PPC	Other
Sample	981	362	287	94	53	62	48	25
NET: TOP2	59	80	30	58	53	62	74	56
NET: BTM2	41	20	70	42	47	38	26	44
A strong impact	36	56	9	34	21	39	56	42
Some impact	23	24	21	24	31	23	19	15
Not a strong impact	17	8	27	27	12	16	12	16
Not impact at all	24	13	43	15	36	22	14	27

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Effect on Trudeau

Generally, has the situation related to the Prime Minister's Office and SNC Lavalin improved, worsened, or had no effect on your opinion of Justin Trudeau?

[Base=more than not at all confidently able to explain the situation]

Age/gender

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Other
Sample	981	169	138	158	230	286	557	399	25
Improved	7	6	7	7	8	7	7	5	16
No effect	36	39	29	36	37	41	29	45	32
Worsened	57	55	64	57	55	52	64	50	52

Income

%	Total	Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 to \$40,000	\$40,000 to \$60,000	\$60,000 to \$80,000	\$80,000 to \$100,000	\$100,000 to \$250,000
Sample	981	79	153	136	109	117	208
Improved	7	20	9	8	6	5	4
No effect	36	35	48	40	35	33	34
Worsened	57	45	44	52	59	62	62

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	981	146	271	381	183
Improved	7	12	9	4	6
No effect	36	36	37	36	37
Worsened	57	52	55	59	58

Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	981	29	322	318	61	132	119
Improved	7	0	7	7	6	4	10
No effect	36	57	45	41	18	19	24
Worsened	57	43	48	52	75	76	65

Vote preference

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	BQ	PPC	Other
Sample	981	362	287	94	53	62	48	25
Improved	7	2	11	12	4	6	12	7
No effect	36	18	66	29	41	28	20	40
Worsened	57	80	23	60	56	66	68	53



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