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Majority Taking a Dim View To Federal Efforts On Climate Change

The majority also think provincial resistance will affect the plan's success

Toronto, December 3rd—In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll™ among 1541 Canadians 18 years of age or older, more than half (BTM2: 58%) rate the Federal Government's efforts on climate change as poor, with a quarter (28%) saying it is very poor.

Respondents most likely to identify the Federal Government's efforts as poor (BTM2) include those 35-44 (61%) or 45-54 (61%), males (61%), earning \$80-100,000 (68%), the least educated (65%), and living in Québec (62%), the prairies (MB/SK) (63%), or Alberta (64%).

4 in 10 (TOP2: 42%) say the Federal Government's efforts on climate change are good, but only 1 in 10 (9%) say they are very good.

Respondents most likely to identify the Federal Government's efforts on climate change as good (TOP2) include those aged 18-34 (43%), 55-64 (44%), or 65+ (45%), females (46%), with some college/university (44%), or a college/university (44%) or post-graduate degree (42%) and living in Atlantic Canada (51%).

More than half say provincial resistance make Federal Climate success less likely

The majority of Canadians (TOP2: 57%) say that if the majority of Canadian premiers resist the Federal Government's plan to fight climate change, this resistance will hurt the plan's likelihood of success, with one-quarter (26%) saying it will hurt the likelihood of success a lot.

Respondents most likely to say resistance from premiers will hurt the climate change plan include those aged 65+ (62%), females (60%), earning \$20-40,000 (61%) or \$40-60,000 (64%), with a college/university (59%) or post-graduate degree (61%), and living in Atlantic Canada (63%) or the prairies (MB/SK) (65%).

Just over one-quarter (BTM2: 29%) say the resistance isn't likely to hurt the plan's success, with about 1 in 10 (12%) saying it won't hurt the plan at all.

Respondents most likely to say resistance from premiers will not hurt the climate change plan include males (32%), the least wealthy (34%), the wealthiest (31%), or earning \$80-100,000 (34%), the least educated (35%), and living in Québec (49%).

One-sixth (15%) said that they do not know.

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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 1541 randomly selected Canadians. The poll was conducted on November 28th and 29th, 2018.

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.

Due to rounding some numbers may not add up to 100

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Federal government efforts to fight climate change

How would you rate the Federal government's efforts to fight climate change?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Non-Binary
Sample	1541	237	248	244	378	434	887	626	28
NET: TOP2	42	43	39	39	44	45	39	46	25
NET: BTM2	58	57	61	61	56	55	61	54	75
Very good	9	8	8	8	11	8	8	9	7
Somewhat good	33	35	31	31	33	37	31	37	18
Somewhat poor	30	29	31	28	30	31	31	29	25
Very poor	28	28	30	33	27	23	31	25	50

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	1541	159	216	238	188	166	314
NET: TOP2	42	44	46	43	44	32	45
NET: BTM2	58	56	54	57	56	68	55
Very good	9	12	9	8	8	7	10
Somewhat good	33	32	38	36	36	26	35
Somewhat poor	30	25	33	28	28	36	28
Very poor	28	31	21	29	28	32	27

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	1541	268	414	578	281
NET: TOP2	42	35	44	44	42
NET: BTM2	58	65	56	56	58
Very good	9	5	10	8	12
Somewhat good	33	29	34	36	30
Somewhat poor	30	26	30	32	27
Very poor	28	39	26	24	30



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Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	1541	118	357	511	146	184	225
NET: TOP2	42	51	38	45	37	36	42
NET: BTM2	58	49	62	55	63	64	58
Very good	9	5	6	12	4	7	8
Somewhat good	33	46	32	33	33	29	34
Somewhat poor	30	34	30	31	31	24	29
Very poor	28	15	32	24	32	40	29



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Success of climate change plan

If the majority of Canadian premiers resist the Federal Government’s plan to fight climate change, how much will their resistance hurt the plan’s likelihood of success?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 and over	Male	Female	Non-Binary
Sample	1541	237	248	244	378	434	887	626	28
NET: TOP2	57	53	58	57	56	62	54	60	39
NET: BTM2	29	29	29	29	30	26	32	25	32
A lot	26	26	28	24	26	25	27	25	29
Somewhat	31	27	29	33	30	37	27	35	11
Not a lot	16	16	17	16	15	18	17	16	7
Not at all	12	13	13	13	14	8	16	9	25
Don't know	15	18	13	14	14	12	14	15	29

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	1541	159	216	238	188	166	314
NET: TOP2	57	51	61	64	59	53	56
NET: BTM2	29	34	23	25	27	34	31
A lot	26	25	28	26	28	25	29
Somewhat	31	26	33	37	31	28	28
Not a lot	16	20	16	17	13	20	18
Not at all	12	14	8	8	14	14	14
Don't know	15	16	16	12	13	13	12

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate degree
Sample	1541	268	414	578	281
NET: TOP2	57	50	55	59	61
NET: BTM2	29	35	28	27	27
A lot	26	22	24	26	33
Somewhat	31	28	31	33	28
Not a lot	16	22	17	16	13
Not at all	12	13	12	11	14
Don't know	15	15	17	14	12



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NET: BTM2	29	16	49	22	20	31	19
A lot	26	26	8	34	29	32	29
Somewhat	31	38	39	27	36	16	31
Not a lot	16	11	33	12	9	14	9
Not at all	12	5	17	11	11	17	9
Don't know	15	21	3	17	15	21	21

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