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Canadians support Hillary Clinton in US presidential race

Kasich preferred among Republican candidates

TORONTO April 6th, 2016 - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll™ among 1455 Canadian voters, one quarter say Gov. John Kasich of Ohio would make the best Republican candidate for president (24%), and he is followed by Canadian-born, Texas Senator Ted Cruz (20%) with reality TV star Donald Trump bringing up the rear with about one seventh (15%). Trump (26%) and Cruz (25%) are equally likely to be preferred by Canadian Conservatives, while Liberals opt for Kasich (29%), followed by Cruz (20%). New Democrats strongly prefer Kasich in this regard (29%).

Hillary leads among Democratic candidates

Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is clearly preferred as the Democratic candidate (44%) to Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders (38%). The youngest Canadian voters, however, clearly support Sanders (51%) over Mrs Clinton (31%), while the situation is reversed with respect to the oldest Canadian voters (Clinton - 53%, Sanders - 26%). Canadian Conservatives are relatively equally likely to prefer Clinton (39%) or Sanders (35%), Liberals are much more likely to support Clinton (52%) than Sanders (38%), while New Democrats are most in favour of the self-described socialist senator (51%) over Clinton (33%).

Hillary also seen as best president

Close to 4-in-10 Canadian voters think Hillary Clinton will make the best president of the US (38%) and she is followed by her Democratic opponent, Bernie Sanders (28%). One tenth or fewer select a Republican candidate (Trump - 11%, Cruz - 5%, Kasich - 4%). Even among Canadian Conservatives, Hillary (26%) beats Donald Trump (23%), while among Liberals, Clinton (44%) and then Sanders (33%) are preferred. Bernie Sanders is preferred to Hillary among New Democrats (43% to 37%). Trump's popularity is highest among males (17%), Clinton's is highest among Gen X (45 to 54 - 51%) and Sanders does well among the youngest (46%).

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HIGHLIGHTS:

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Methodology

The Forum Poll^m was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 1455 randomly selected Canadians 18 years of age or older. The poll was conducted on April 4th and April 5th, 2016.

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.

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Best Republican Candidate

'Who would be the best Republican candidate for President of the United States?'

[All Respondents]

Age / Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1455	272	207	252	334	390	812	643
Donald Trump	15	14	19	13	17	11	23	7
Ted Cruz	20	21	21	20	17	20	22	18
John Kasich	24	26	22	23	24	25	26	23
Don't know	41	39	39	44	43	44	29	53

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	ВС	English	French
Sample	1455	113	345	522	128	172	175	1125	330
Donald Trump	15	11	11	15	21	19	14	16	10
Ted Cruz	20	17	17	21	23	19	22	21	17
John Kasich	24	29	19	28	18	18	27	26	19
Don't know	41	43	53	36	38	44	36	38	53

Federal Vote Preference

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1455	408	638	169	78	72	43
Donald Trump	15	26	8	12	9	14	40
Ted Cruz	20	25	20	17	14	13	15
John Kasich	24	21	29	27	21	13	13
Don't know	41	28	42	44	56	60	32

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Best Democratic Candidate

'Who would be the best Democratic candidate for President of the United States?'

[All Respondents]

Age / Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1455	272	207	252	334	390	812	643
Hillary Clinton	44	31	37	53	52	53	40	47
Bernie Sanders	38	51	42	32	29	26	42	34
Don't know	19	17	21	15	20	20	18	19

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	ВС	English	French
Sample	1455	113	345	522	128	172	175	1125	330
Hillary Clinton	44	37	52	48	40	30	31	41	53
Bernie Sanders	38	38	26	40	45	38	52	42	25
Don't know	19	25	23	12	15	32	17	17	22

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Best President of the US

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[All Respondents]

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Donald Trump	11	10	14	9	11	10	17	4
Hillary Clinton	38	22	37	51	42	47	30	45
Ted Cruz	5	5	7	4	5	5	7	3
Bernie Sanders	28	46	27	18	22	17	29	27
John Kasich	4	2	1	4	6	7	5	3
Don't know	15	15	15	14	15	15	12	18

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Hillary Clinton	38	35	50	40	31	18	30	34	50
Ted Cruz	5	4	3	4	7	11	7	6	3
Bernie Sanders	28	32	19	28	34	28	36	31	18
John Kasich	4	5	3	4	4	4	4	4	3
Don't know	15	15	20	12	10	22	10	13	20

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Donald Trump	11	23	4	4	5	11	35
Hillary Clinton	38	26	45	37	28	59	28
Ted Cruz	5	11	4	2	2	0	3
Bernie Sanders	28	14	33	43	40	10	17
John Kasich	4	8	3	2	0	1	3
Don't know	15	17	11	12	24	19	14

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