



STUDENT BUDGET CONSULTATION

Thank you for participating in the Student Budget Consultation.

Your responses, and those of thousands of Canadian students, will be submitted to the Department of Finance to help shape Budget 2018.

In what year were you born? *(optional)*: _____

In what province/territory do you live? *(required)*: _____

Please enter your school code *(required)*: _____

Please enter your student code *(optional)*: _____

When you finish your schooling, how confident are you that you will find a job that interests you within Canada? *(Select only one response)*

- Not at all confident
- Not very confident
- Somewhat confident
- Very confident
- Don't know

In which sector(s) are you considering a career? (Select all that apply)

- Health or social services
- Professional service (legal, finance)
- Skilled trades (construction, transportation, manufacturing, services)
- Real estate
- Public sector (government, school system, fire, police)
- Non-profit, charitable work
- Law enforcement
- Military
- Retail
- Hospitality (restaurants, hotels, entertainment)
- Information Technology (IT)
- Engineering
- Arts, sports and entertainment
- Other (Please specify): _____
- Don't know

If you plan to get a summer job, what would be the main benefit of your employment over the summer? (Select only one response)

- Extra spending money
- Money to save for post-secondary education
- Work experience to add to my resume
- Learning new skills that will help me advance my career
- Meeting new people
- Don't know

If you plan on attending college or university, would you be interested in studying abroad?

(Select only one response)

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Should the Canadian government spend tax dollars to help university students study abroad? *(Select only one response)*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Do you believe there is a youth unemployment problem in Canada? *(Select only one response)*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

What is the most important step the government could take to deal with youth unemployment? *(Select only one response)*

- Increase awareness about which employment sectors will have the most jobs
- Make student debt more manageable
- Improve access to high quality jobs upon graduation
- Increase skills training opportunities for 21st century careers
- Don't know

Please indicate whether you think the government should increase or decrease spending on the following items in the next federal budget. (Select only one response per row)

| | Spending should be decreased | Spending should stay the same | Spending should be increased | Don't know |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Funding for healthcare | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Protecting the environment | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Building infrastructure (bridges, water treatment plants and community centres) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Employment related social programs (Employment Insurance and skills training) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Post-secondary funding and financial assistance | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Social infrastructure (early years programs and child care) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Arts, culture and media (The CBC, historical or cultural celebrations, newspapers) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| National defence | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Innovation through research and development | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Support for Indigenous peoples and communities | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Support for underrepresented groups (such as women and youth) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Which issues do you think the government should focus on? *(Please rank the following from 1-13 from highest to lowest priority)*

- _____ The environment
- _____ The economy
- _____ Unemployment
- _____ Poverty and inequality
- _____ Indigenous issues
- _____ Gender equality
- _____ Public safety and combatting terrorism
- _____ Foreign affairs and trade
- _____ Health care
- _____ Taxation
- _____ Public education
- _____ Innovation and technology
- _____ Immigration and refugees

The government should place a high priority on lowering the debt as much as possible.
(Select only one response)

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

The government should support a basic income plan, where all Canadians would be guaranteed a minimum income, regardless of whether they have a job or not. *(Select only one response)*

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

The Canadian government should not trade with countries that have a record of human rights abuses. (Select only one response)

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

No matter what circumstances you are born into, if you work hard enough you can be as successful as anyone else. (Select only one response)

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

The gap between those with high incomes and those with low incomes is too large. (Select only one response)

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

What is the most important step the government could take to help families? (Select only one response)

- Supporting access to affordable daycare
- Providing more tax credits for children's activities such as arts, fitness and organized sports
- Making post-secondary education more affordable and accessible
- Lowering personal income taxes
- Putting a cap on fees charged by banks and telecom companies
- Don't know

Right now, a person who makes \$11,500 CAD is taxed at 0%, meaning they do not pay anything in federal income tax per year. Do you think their tax rates should be increased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Stay the same

Right now, a person who makes \$45,000 CAD is taxed at 15%, meaning they pay \$6,750 CAD per year in federal income tax. Do you think their tax rates should be increased, decreased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stay the same

Right now, a person who makes \$70,000 CAD is taxed at 20.5%, meaning they pay \$14,350 CAD per year in federal income tax. Do you think their tax rates should be increased, decreased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stay the same

Right now, a person who makes \$120,000 CAD is taxed at 26%, meaning they pay \$31,200 CAD per year in federal income tax. Do you think their tax rates should be increased, decreased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stay the same

Right now, a person who makes \$170,000 CAD is taxed at 29%, meaning they pay \$49,300 CAD per year in federal income tax. Do you think their tax rates should be increased, decreased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stay the same

Right now, a person who makes \$210,000 CAD is taxed at 33%, meaning they pay \$69,300 CAD per year in federal income tax. Do you think their tax rates should be increased, decreased or stay the same? *(Select only one response)*

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stay the same

How much tax should corporations pay? *(Select only one response)*

- Much less
- Somewhat less
- About the same as now
- Somewhat more
- Much more

The most effective way to create jobs in Canada is to lower taxes. *(Select only one response)*

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

Which of the following options do you prefer? *(Select only one response)*

- Higher taxes and more government services
- Less taxes and fewer government services

Canada's budget should be balanced no matter what. *(Select only one response)*

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

Wealthy people have a greater financial obligation than everyone else to help those who are in need. *(Select only one response)*

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

How much should wealthy people pay in taxes? *(Select only one response)*

- Much less
- Somewhat less
- About the same as now
- Somewhat more
- Much more

The Canadian government should put a price on carbon. *(Select only one response)*

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

What gender do you identify with? *(Select only one response)*

- Male
- Female
- Other
- Prefer not to say

What language do you speak most often at home? *(Select only one response)*

- English
- French
- Both
- Other
- Prefer not to say

Do you self-identify as Indigenous (First Nation, Métis or Inuit)? *(Select only one response)*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

Are you a member of a visible minority group? *(Select only one response)*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

Are you a person with a disability? *(Select only one response)*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

After watching the videos from the federal political party representatives, which do you agree with the most? (Select only one response)

- Liberal Party of Canada
- Conservative Party of Canada
- New Democratic Party of Canada
- Green Party of Canada
- Bloc Québécois
- None of the above
- Don't know

Thank you for completing the Student Budget Consultation survey and sharing your opinions on Budget 2018.



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