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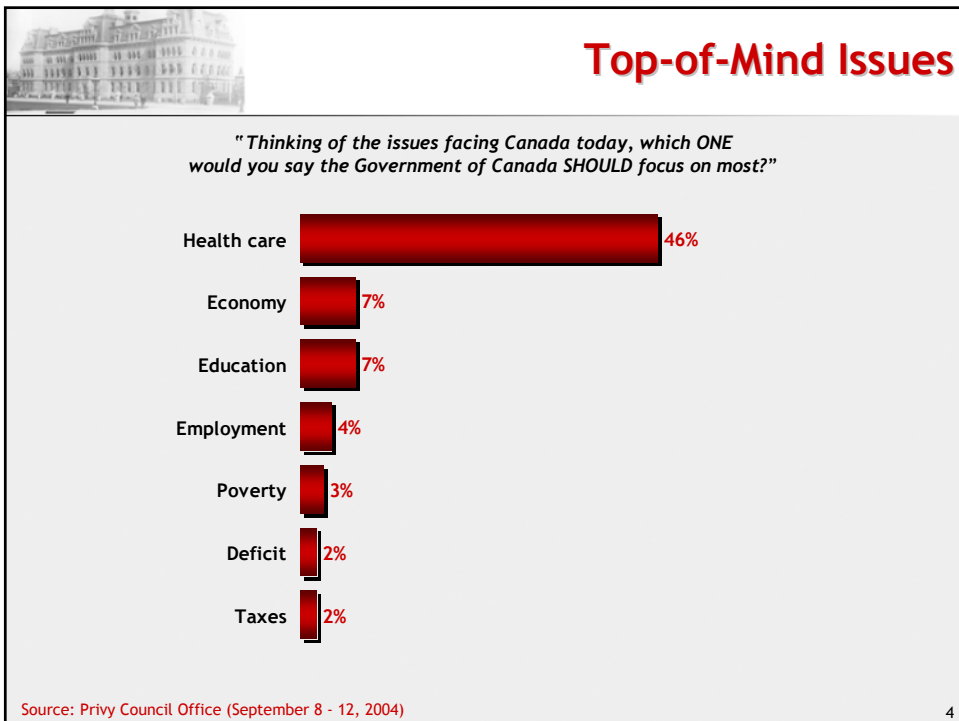
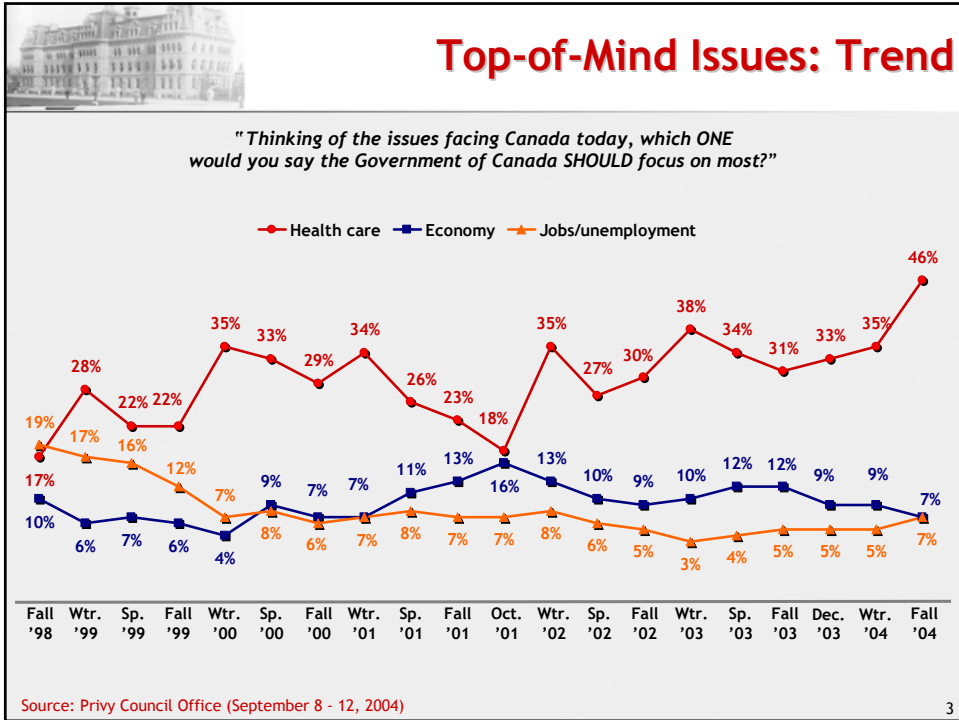
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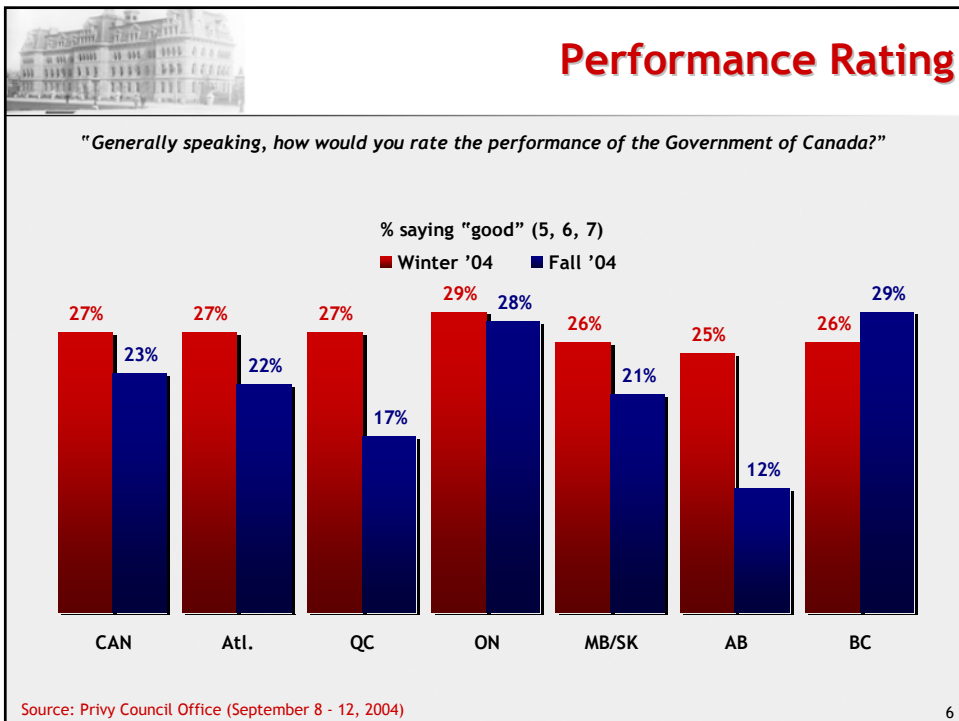
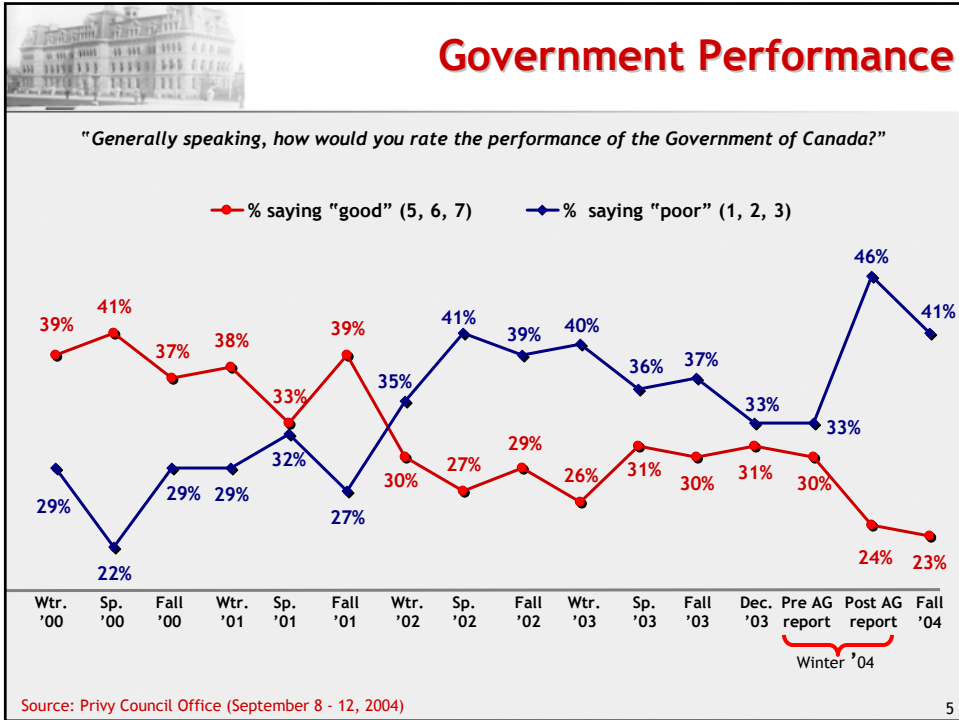
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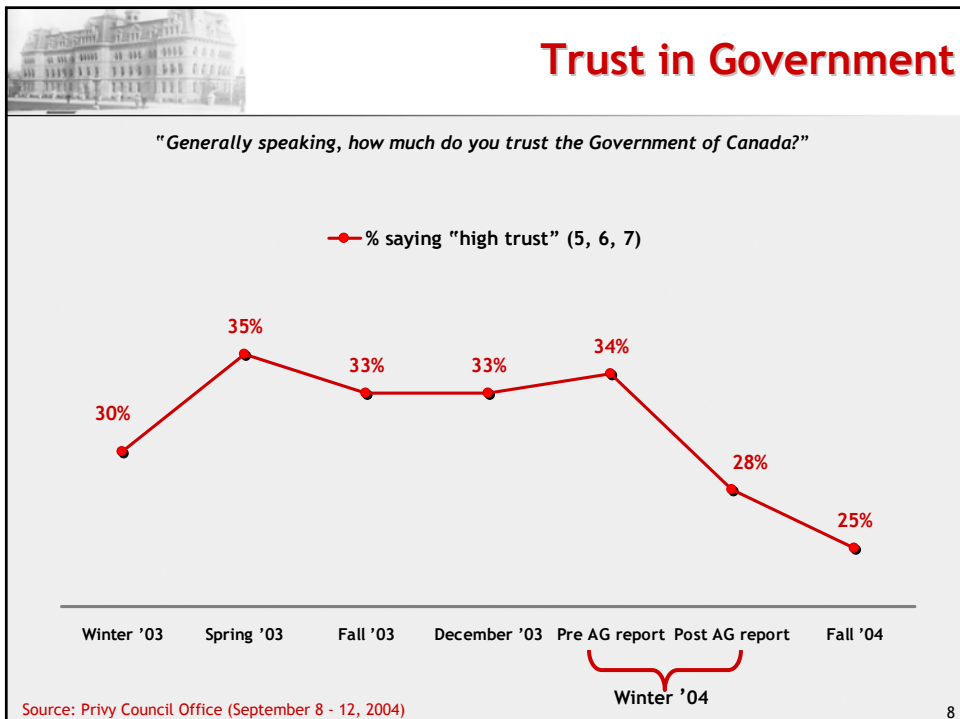
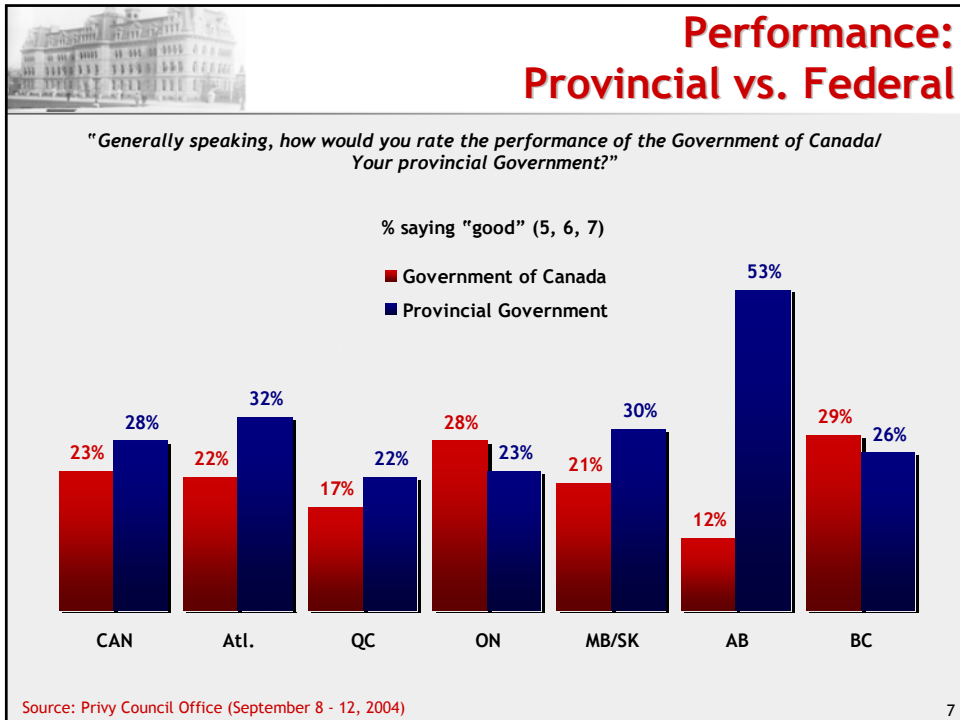
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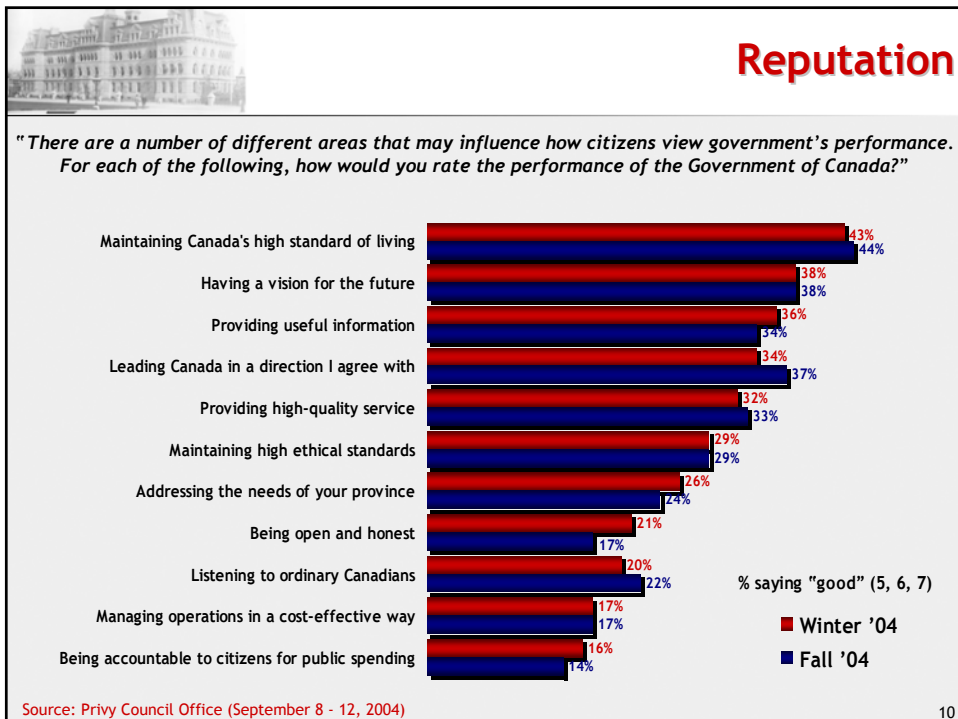
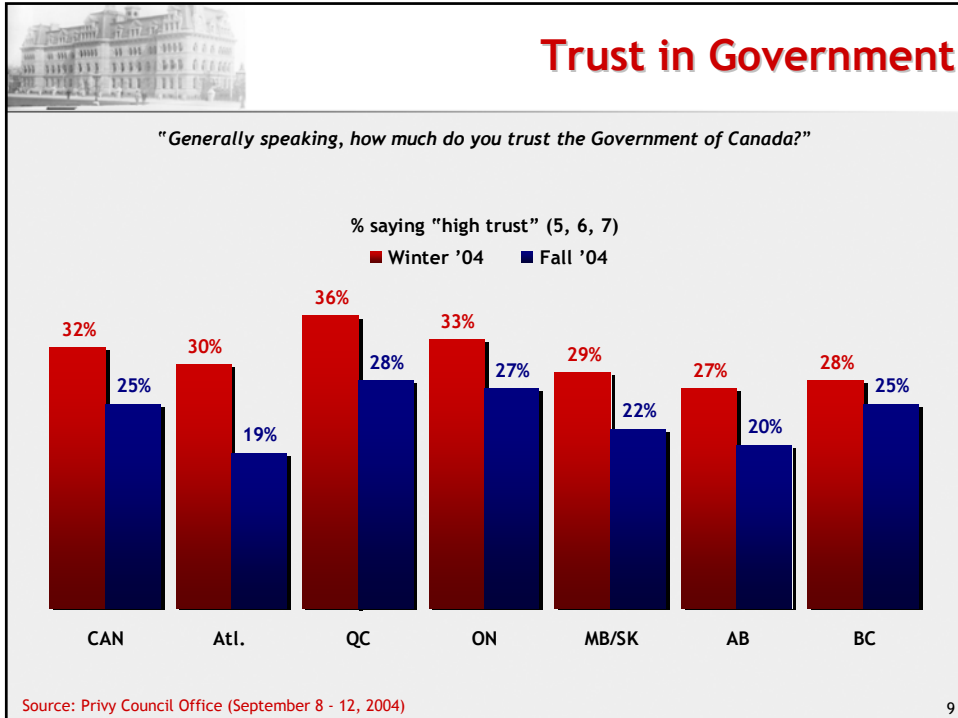
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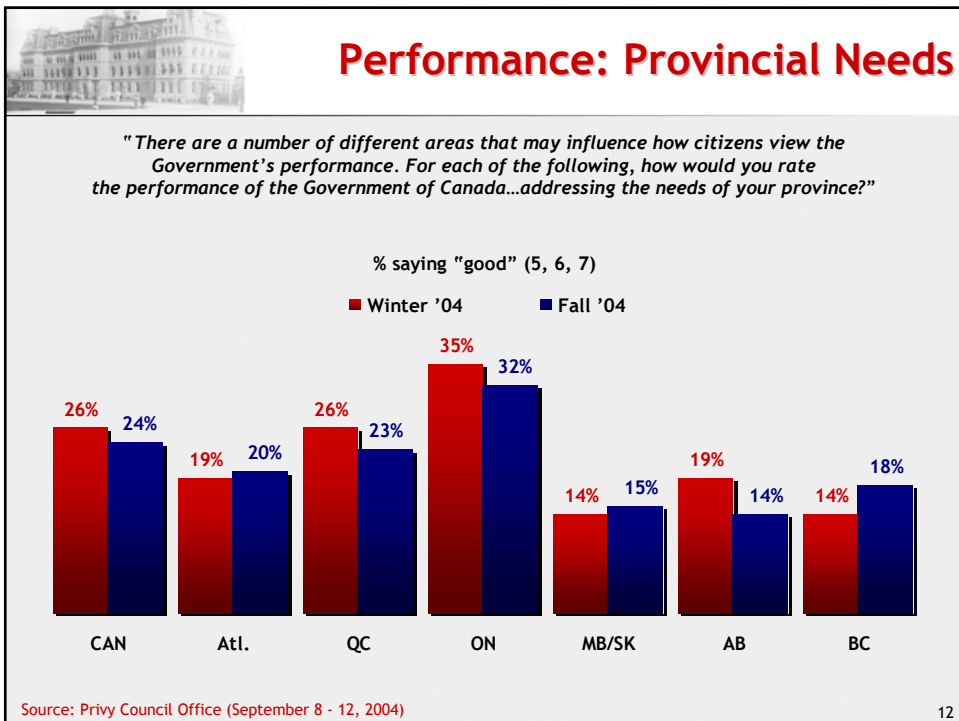


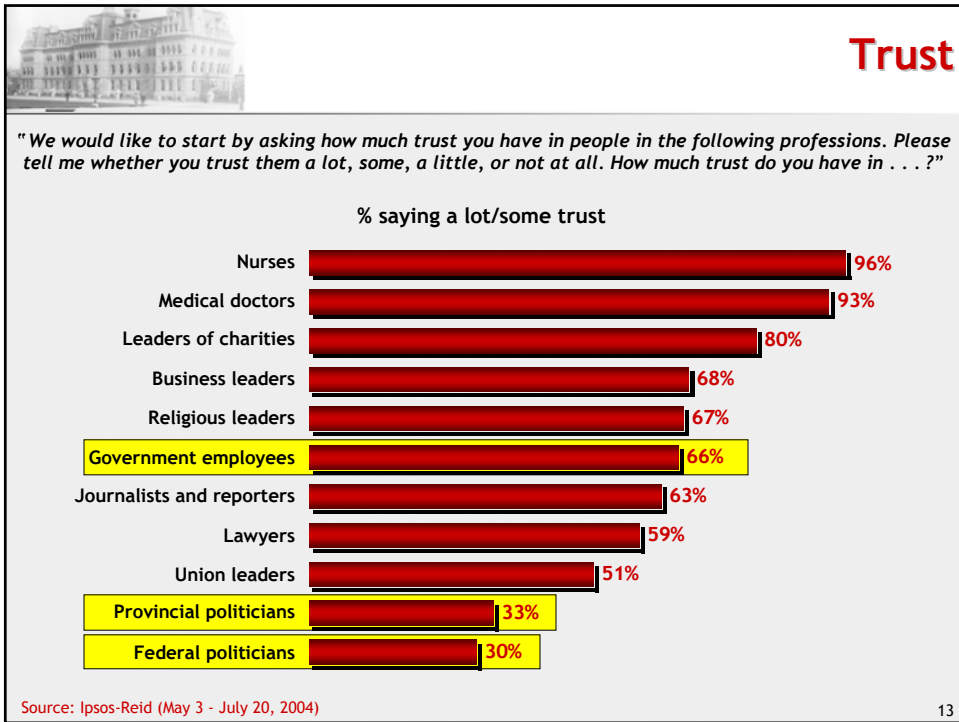




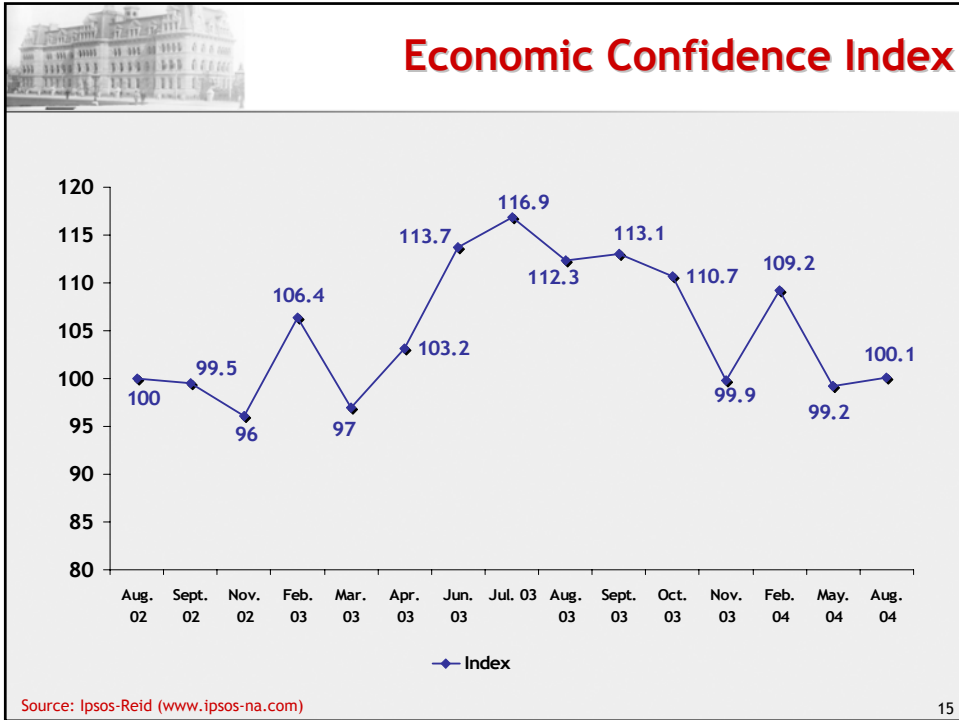
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| Having a vision for the future | N/A | 42% | 37% | 37% | 38% | 38% | 40% | 38% | 38% |
| Leading Canada in a direction I agree with | 46% | 37% | 35% | 31% | 35% | 35% | 36% | 34% | 37% |
| Maintaining high ethical standards | N/A | N/A | 31% | 29% | 34% | 31% | 33% | 29% | 29% |
| Addressing the needs of your province | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 24% | 24% | 26% | 24% |
| Being open and honest | N/A | 26% | 21% | 21% | 24% | 23% | 22% | 21% | 17% |
| Listening to ordinary Canadians | 31% | 25% | 21% | 20% | 22% | 22% | 22% | 20% | 22% |
| Managing operations cost-effectively | 29% | 22% | 22% | 18% | 22% | 20% | 21% | 17% | 17% |
| Being accountable for public spending | 27% | 20% | 19% | 15% | 18% | 18% | 18% | 16% | 14% |

Source: Privy Council Office (September 8 - 12, 2004) 11

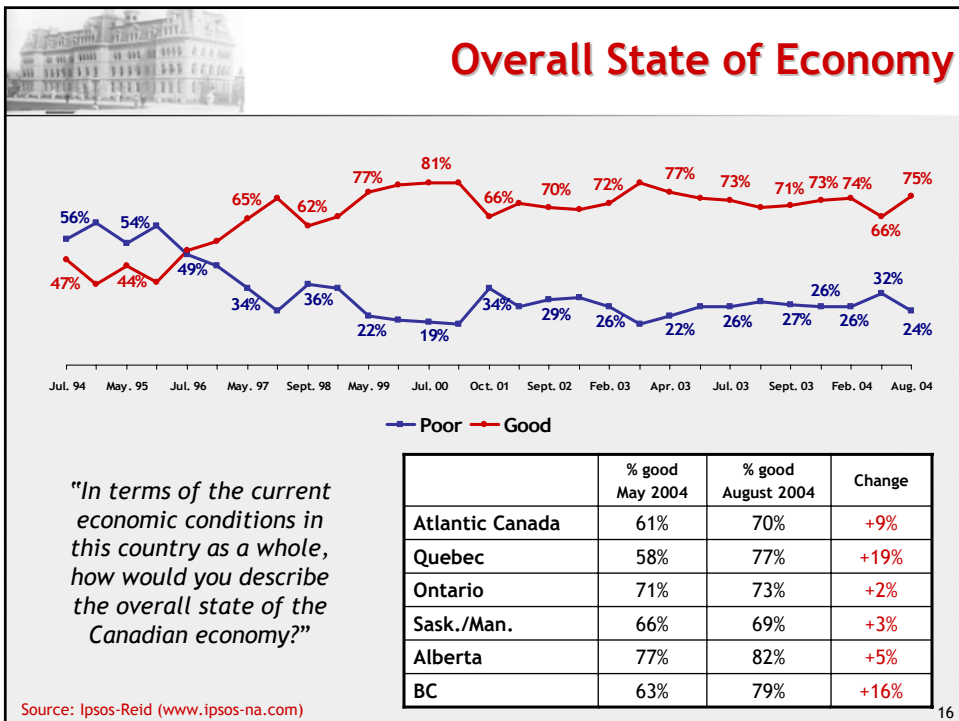




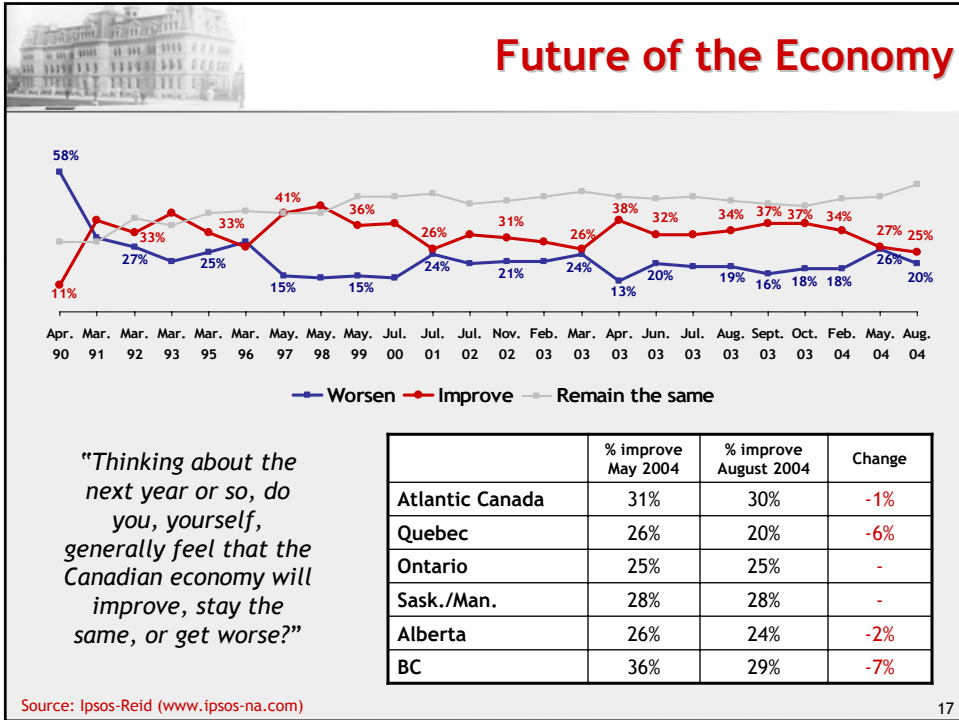
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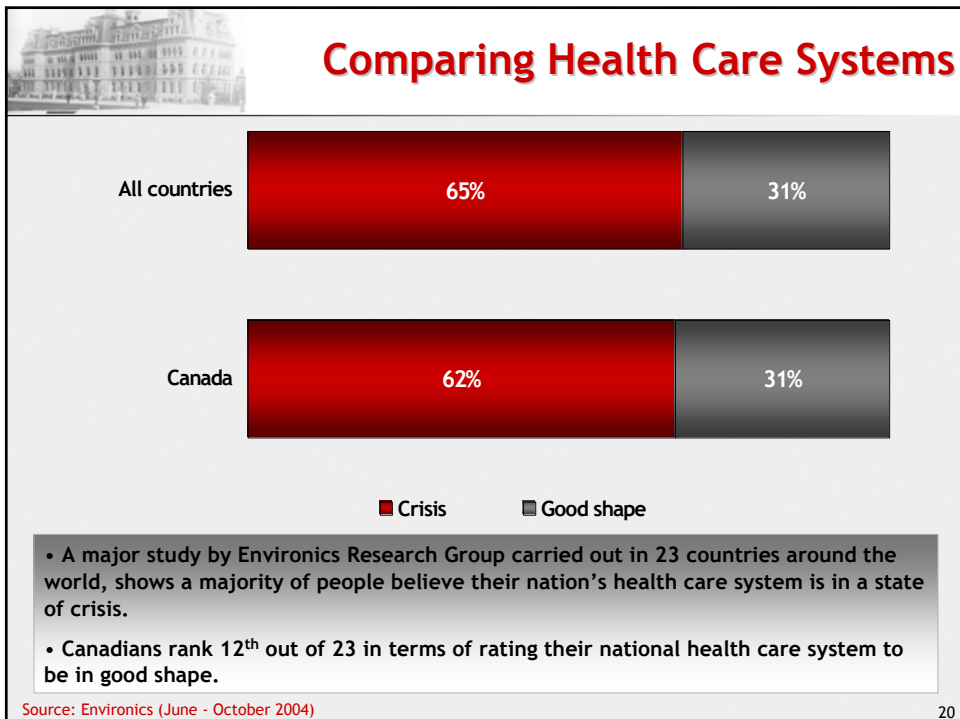
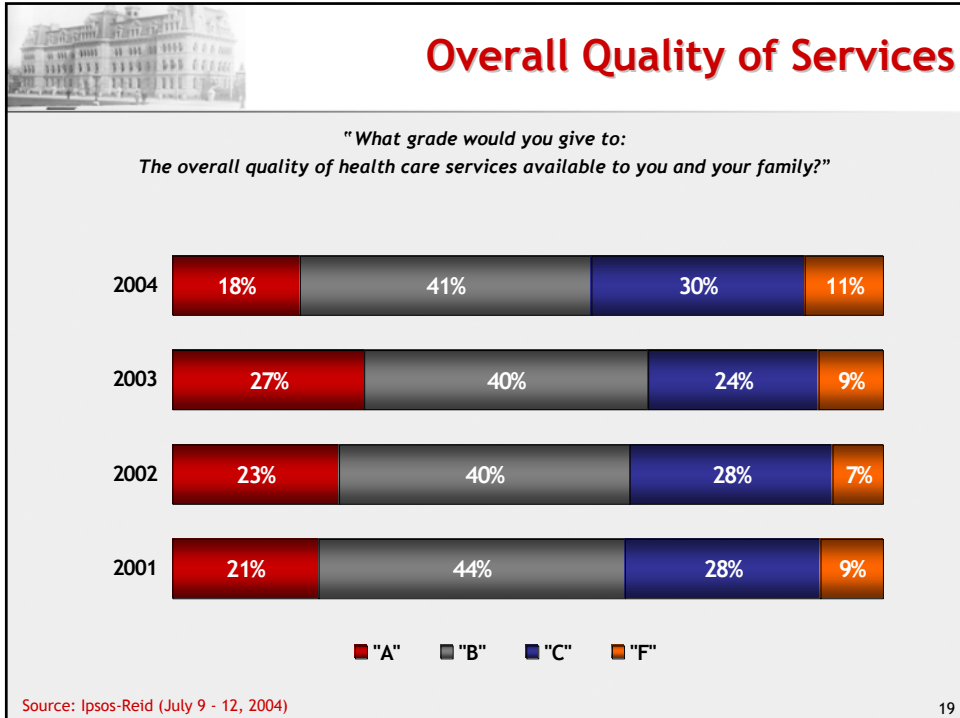
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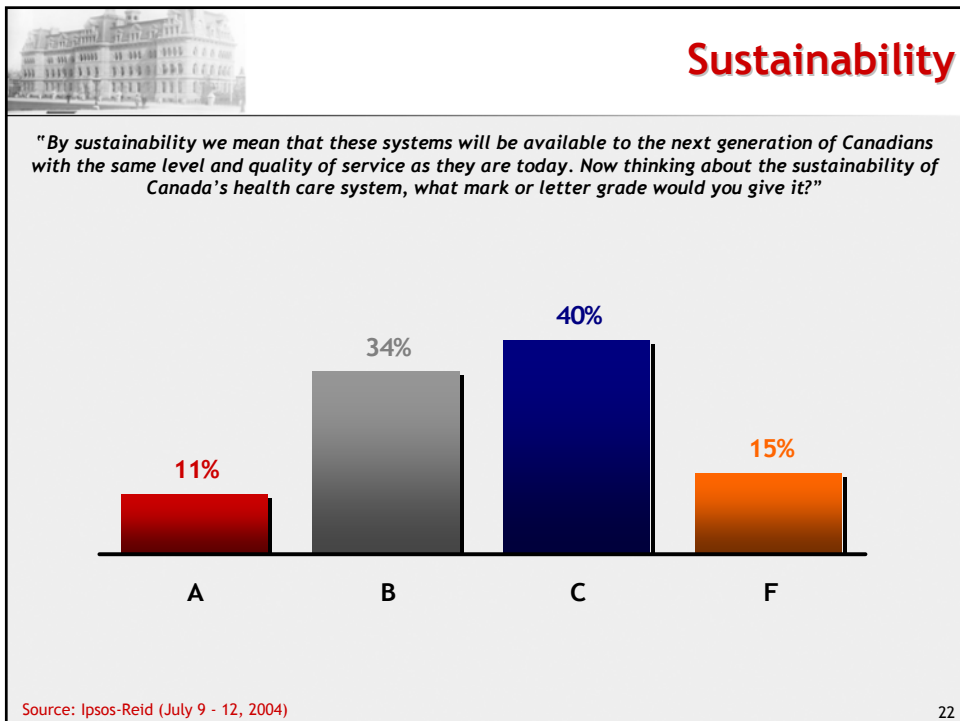
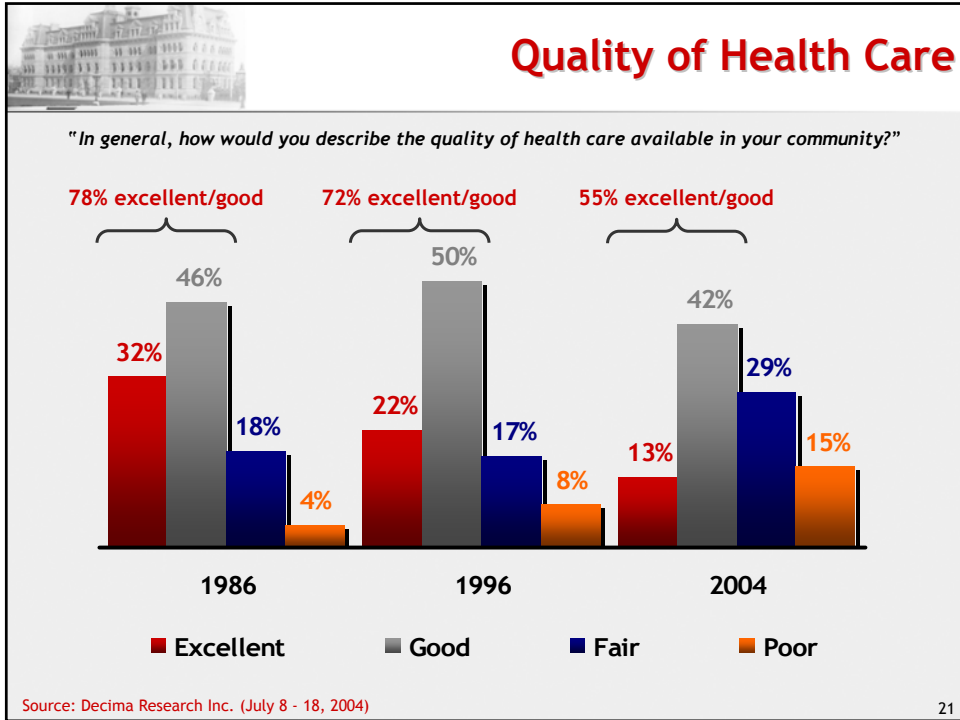


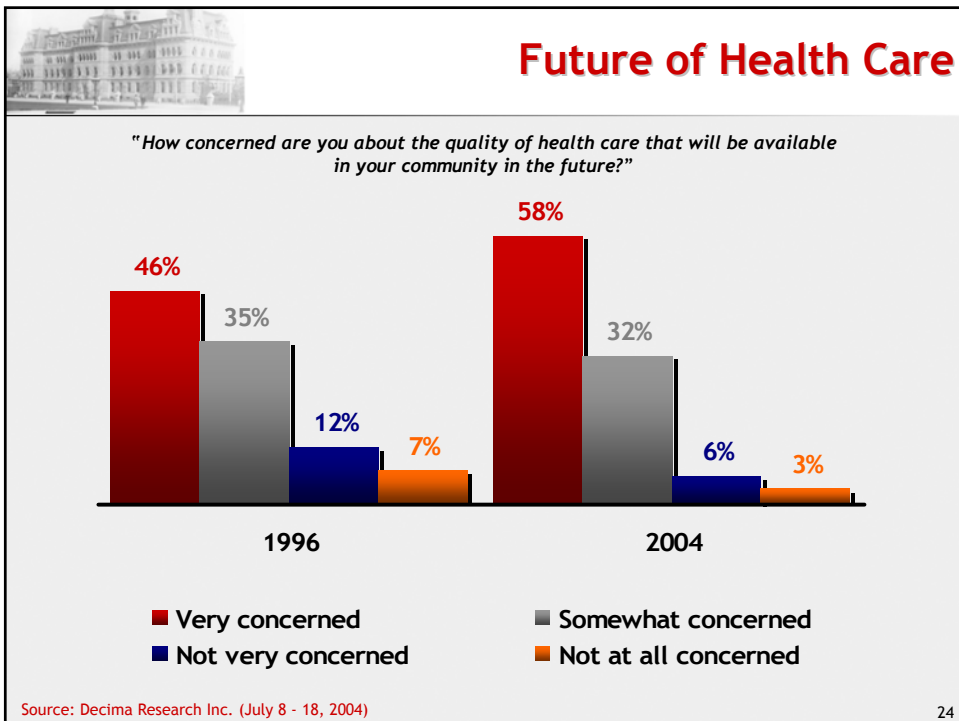
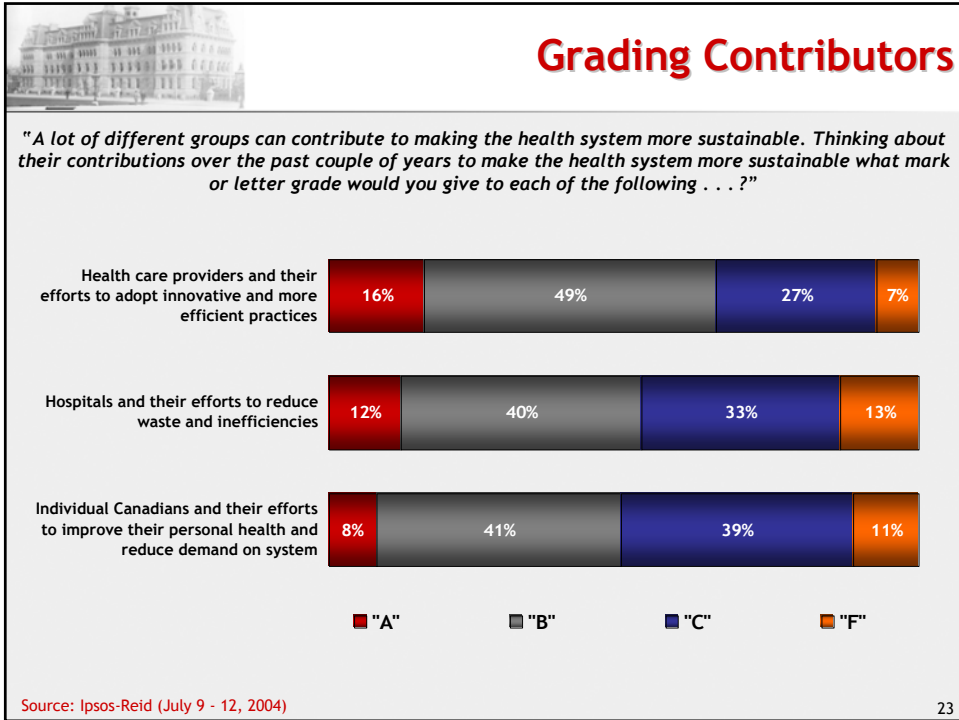
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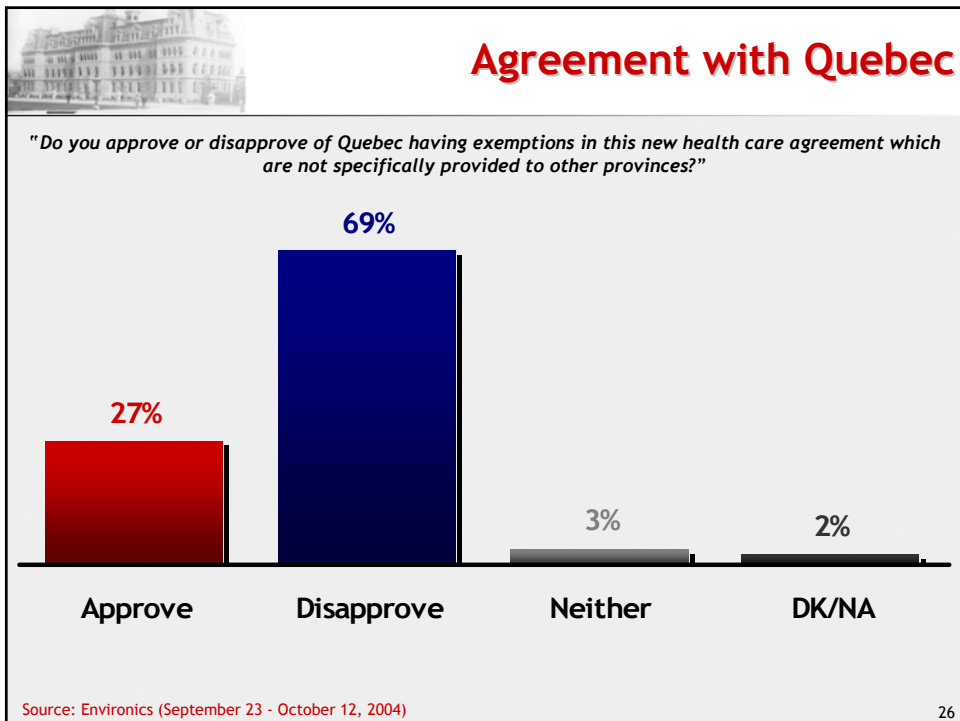
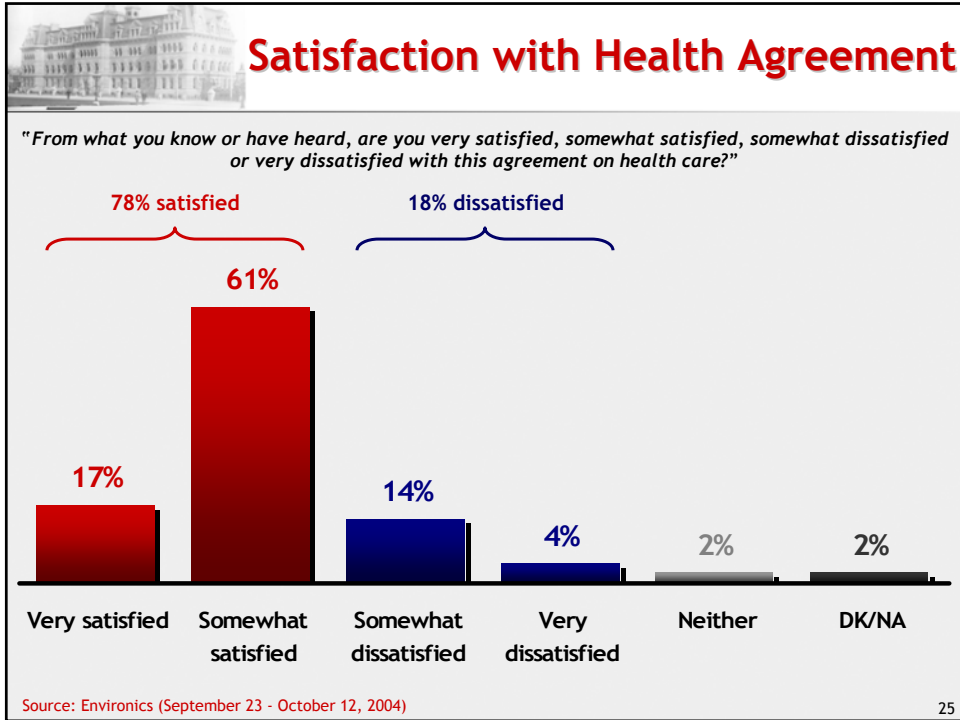


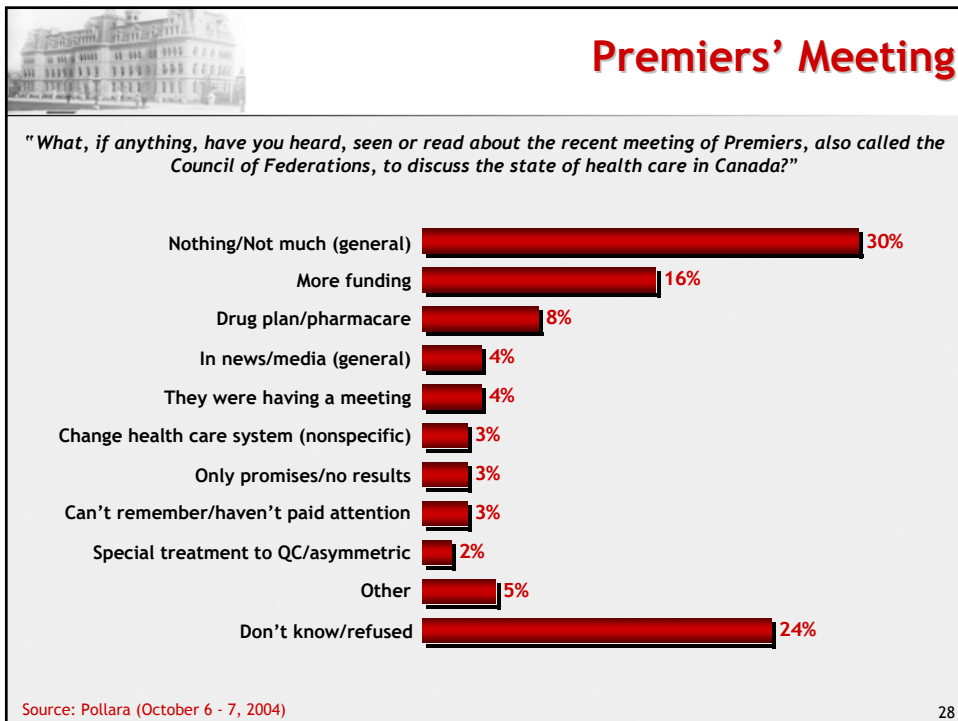
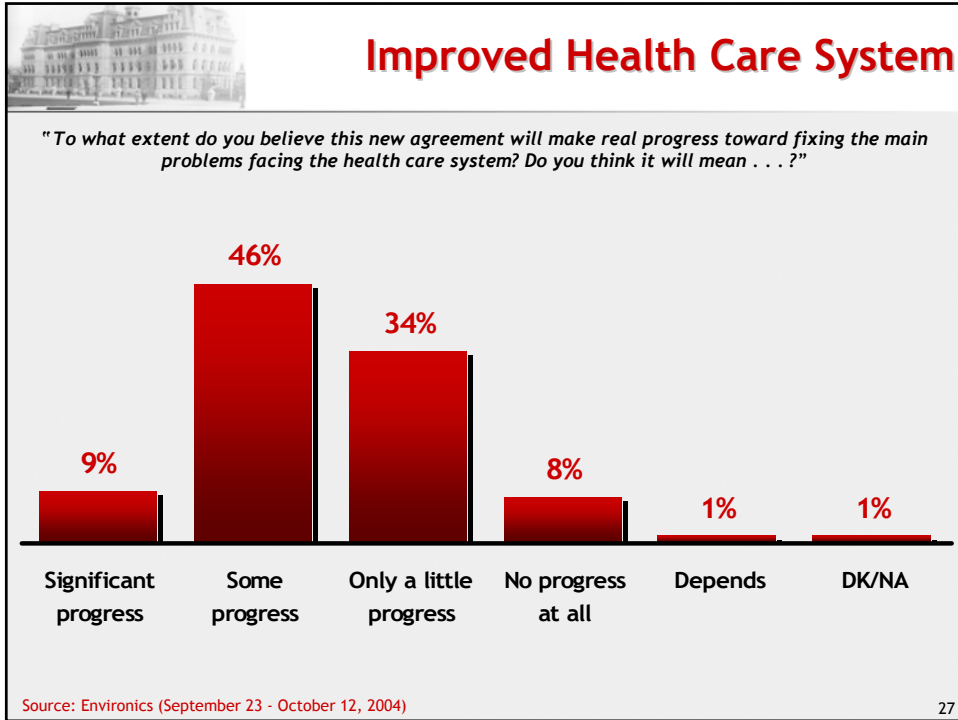
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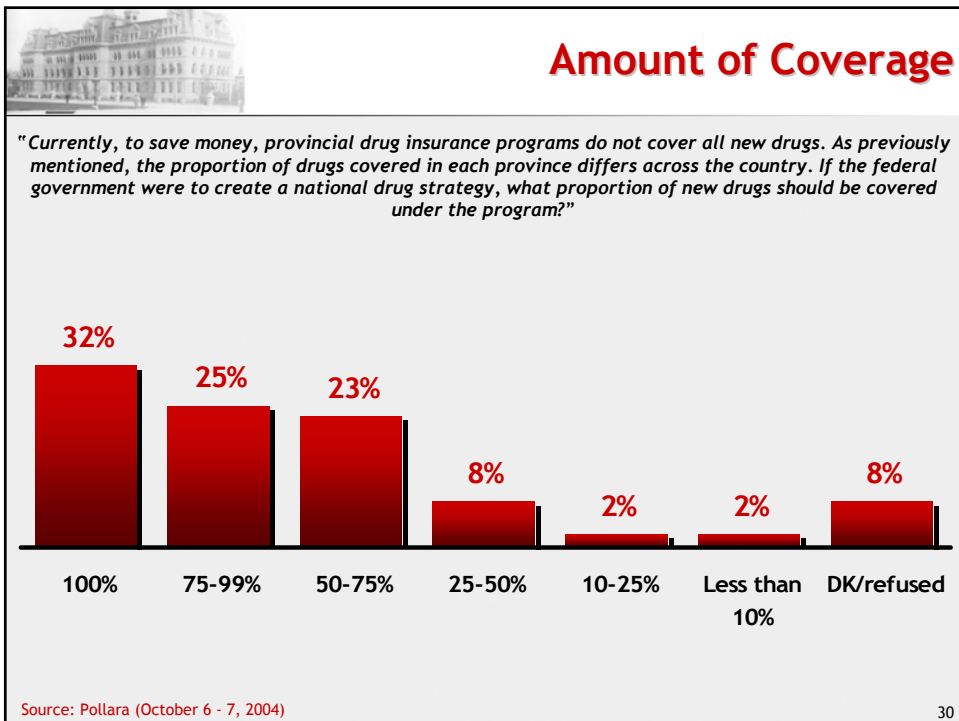
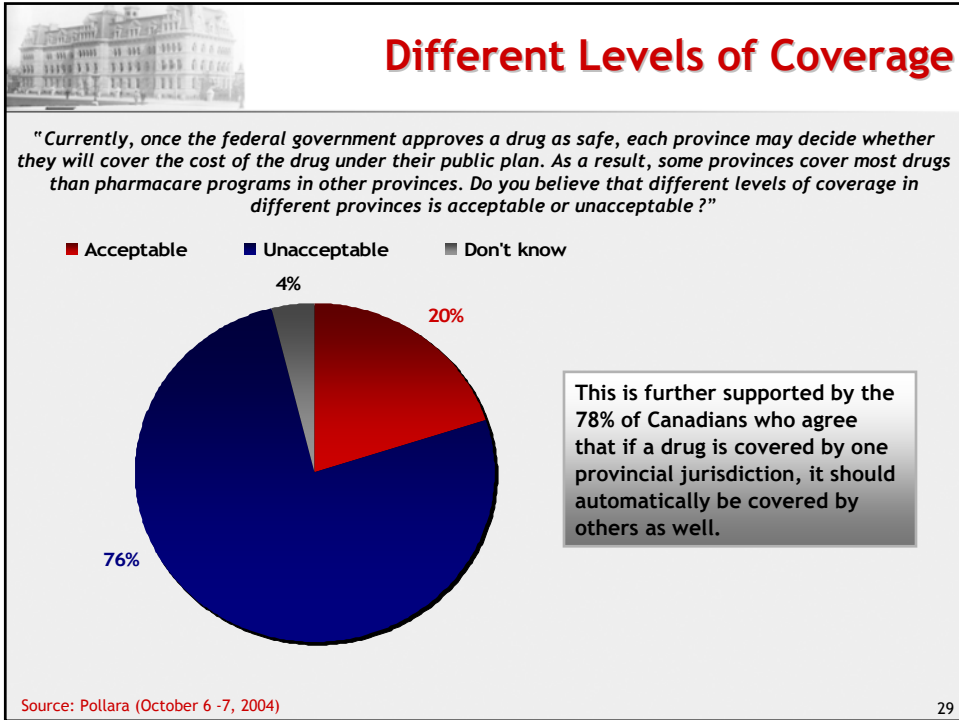


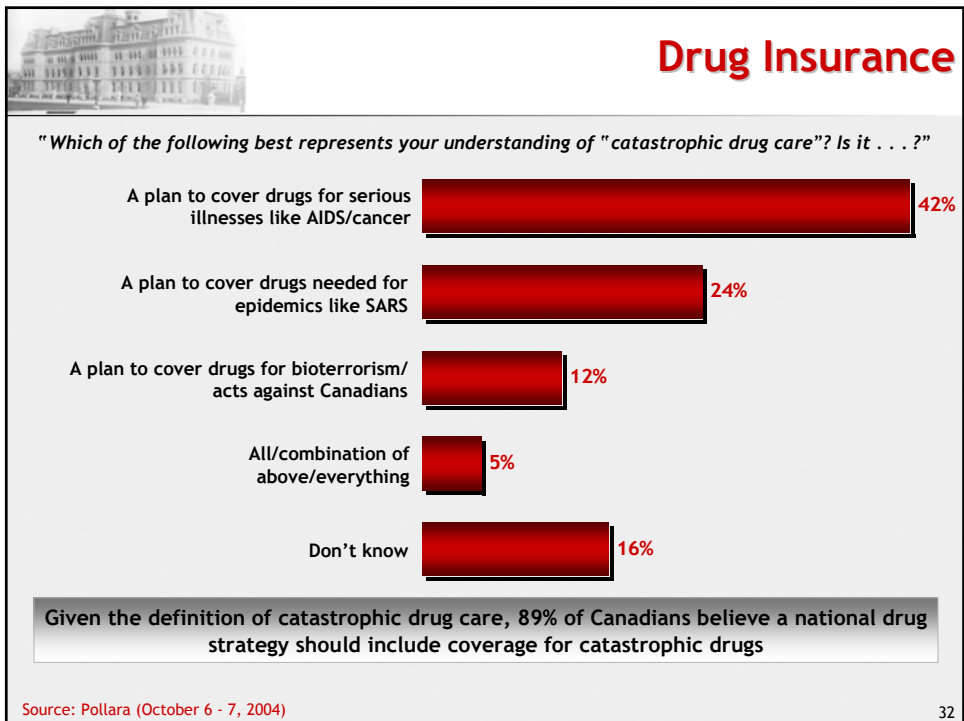
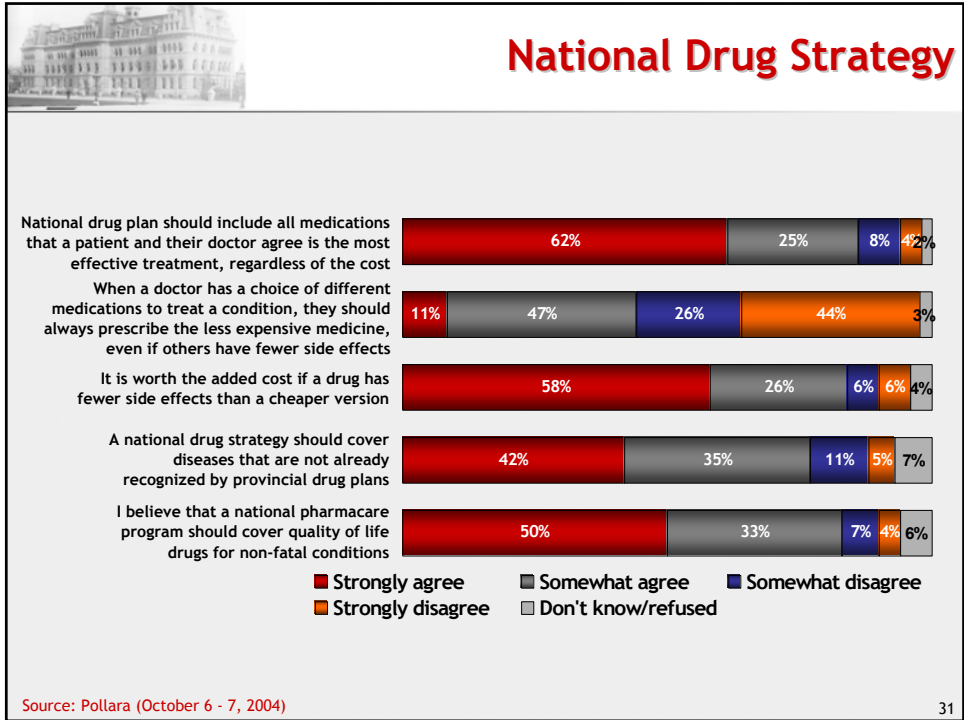






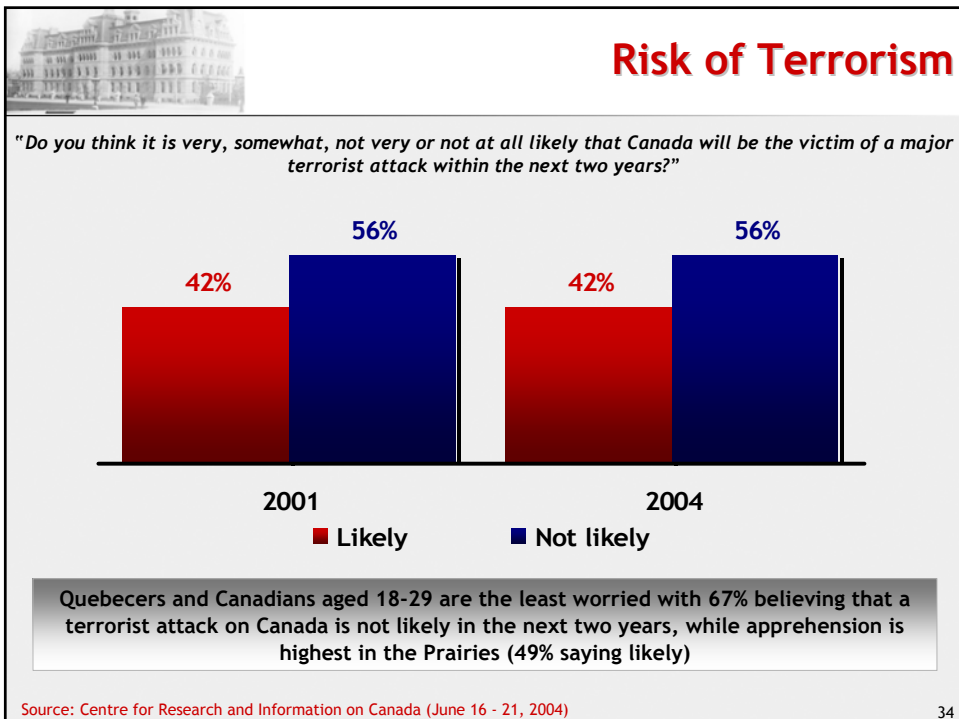


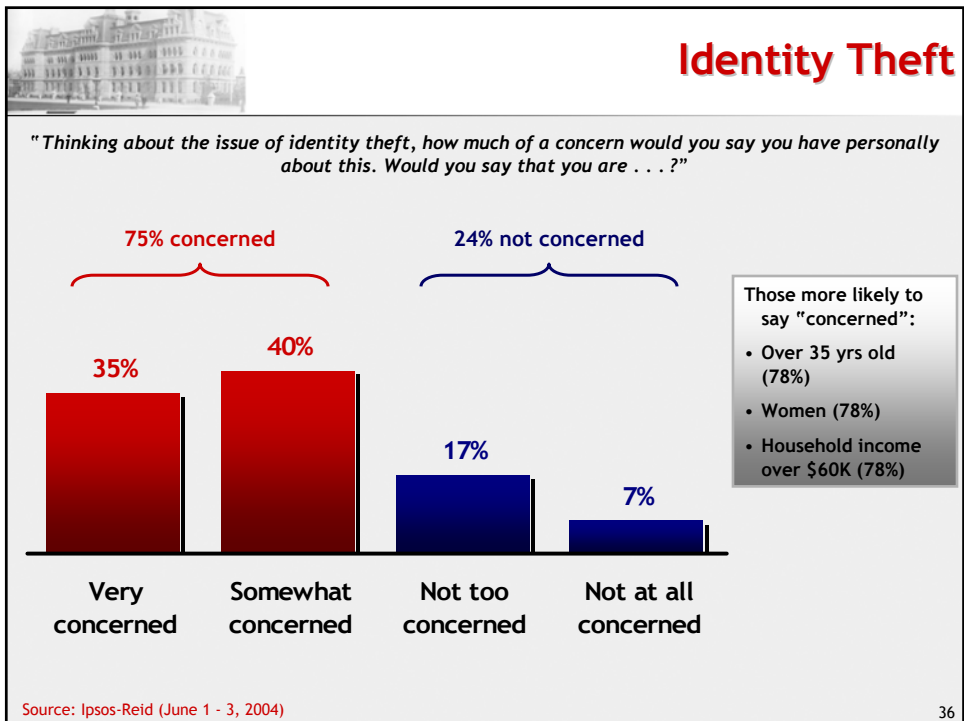
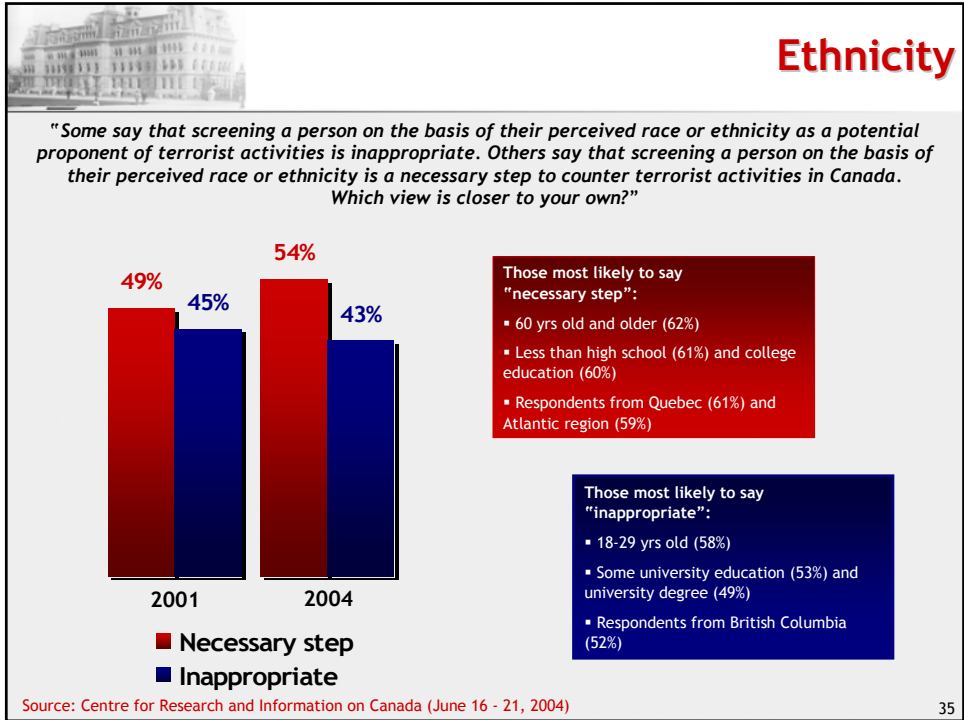


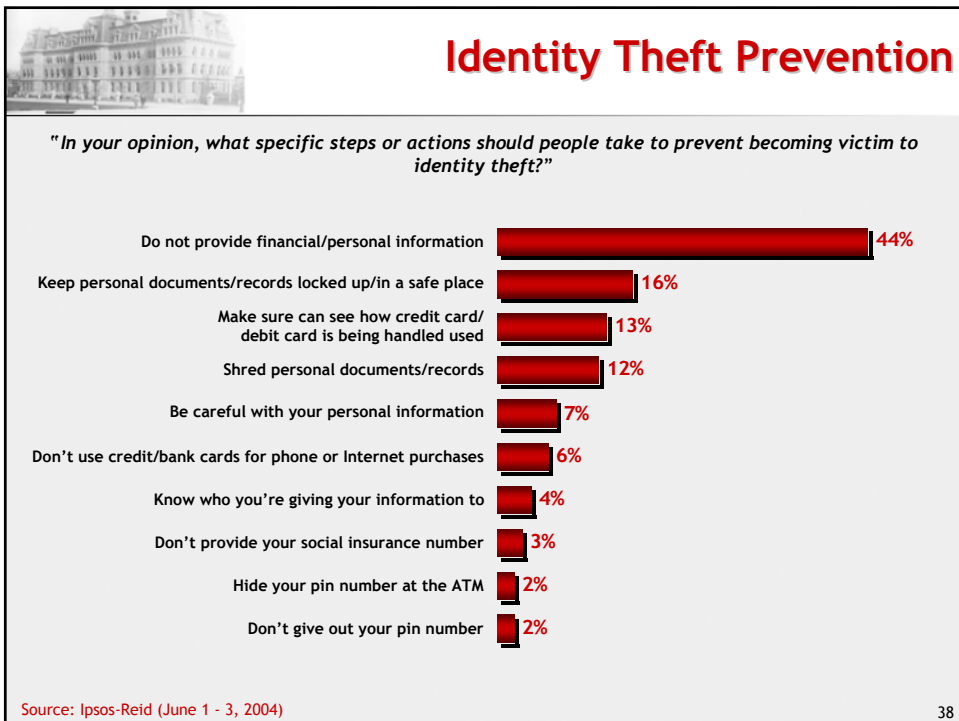
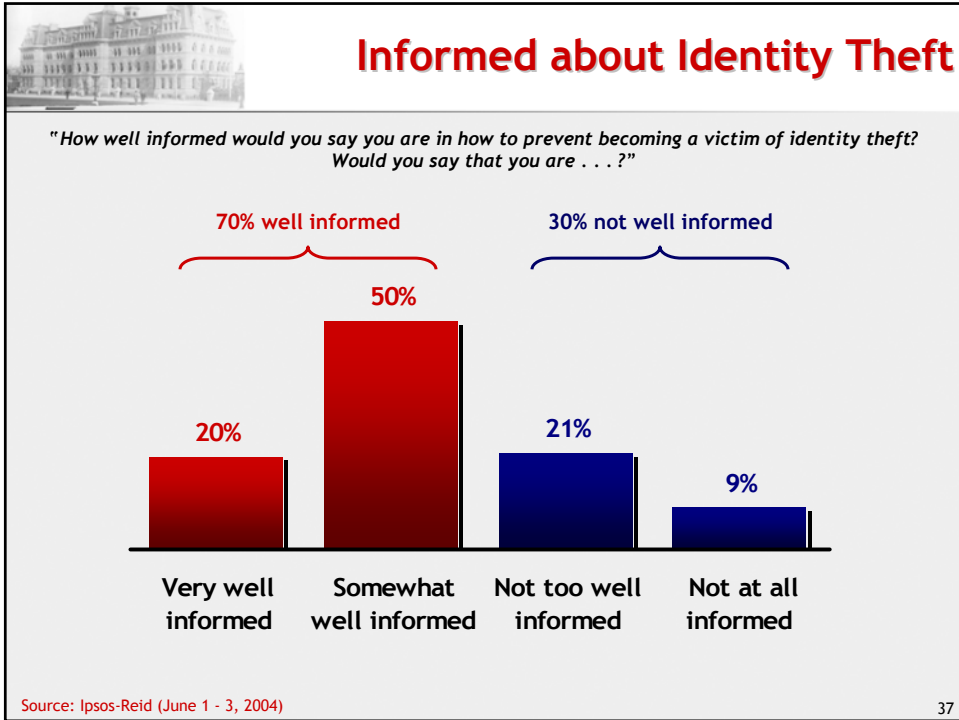


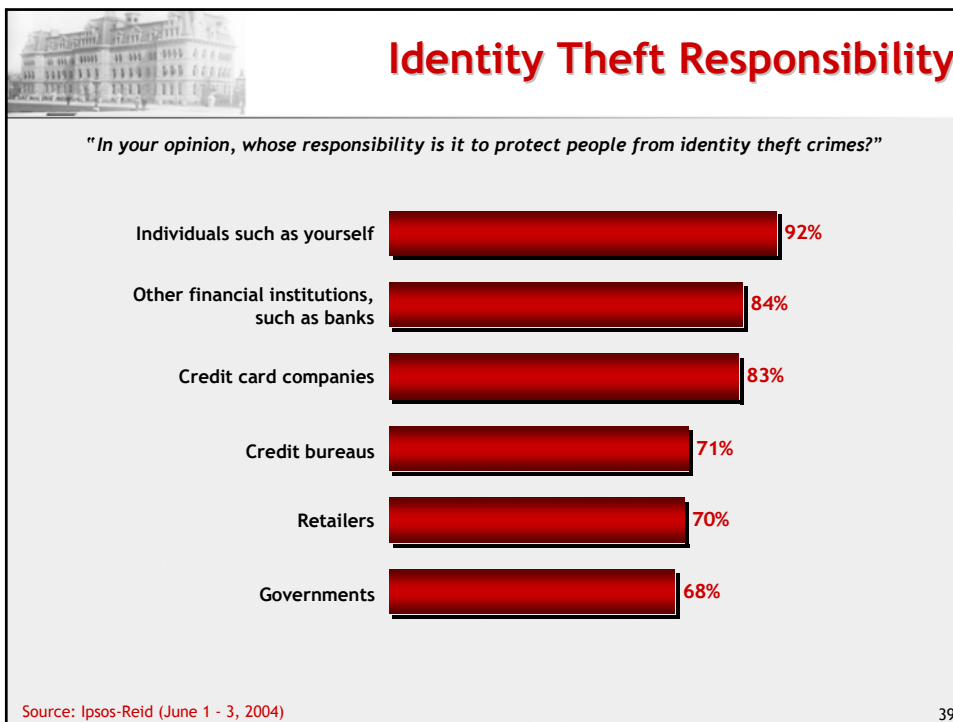


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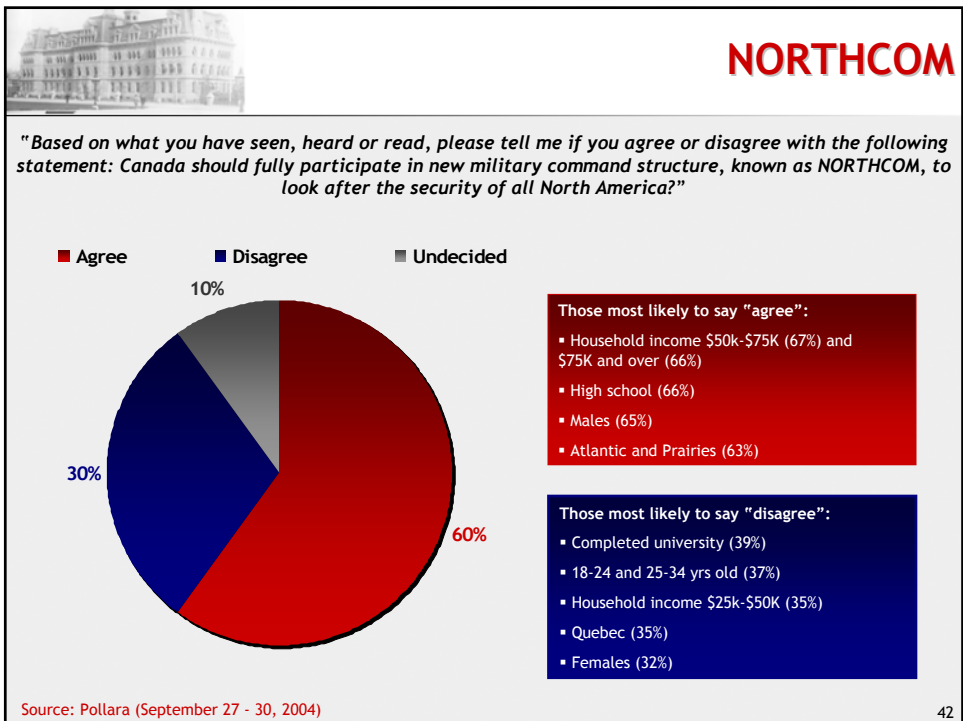
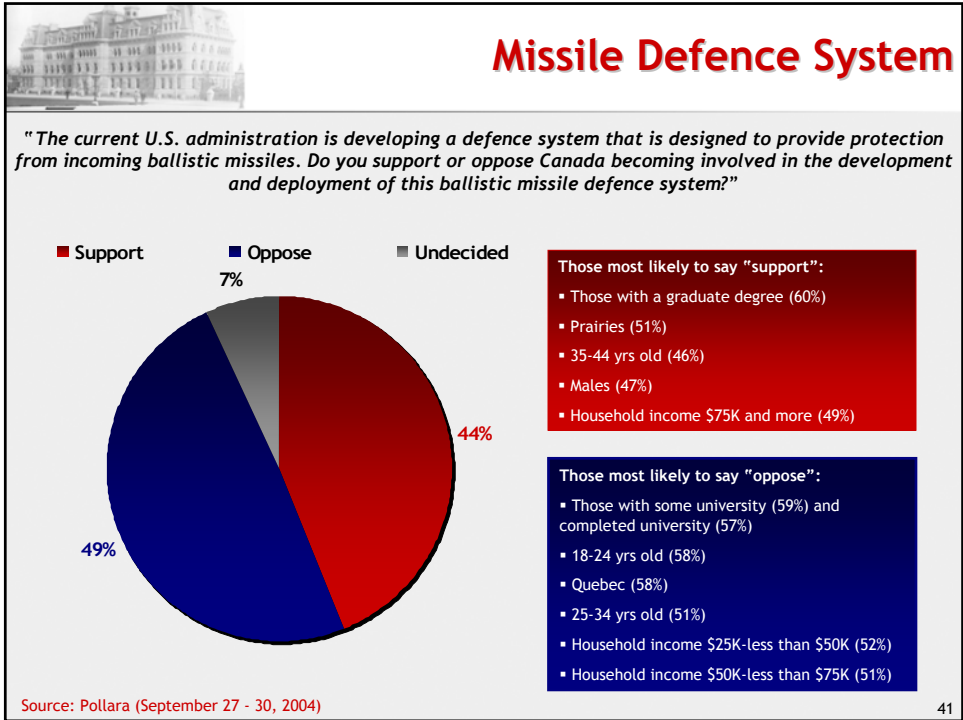


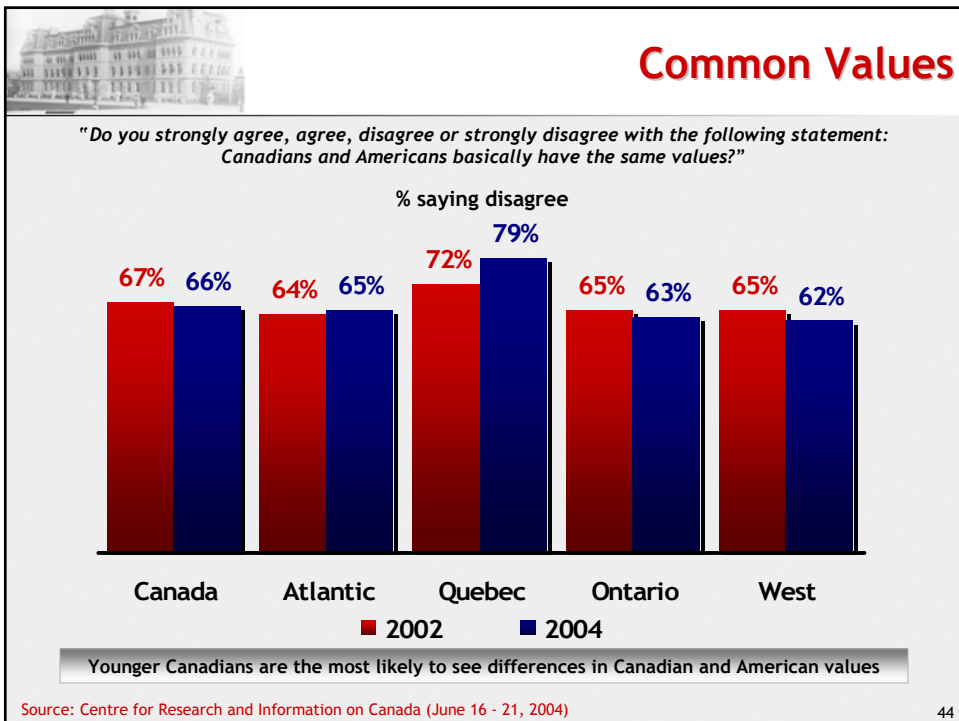
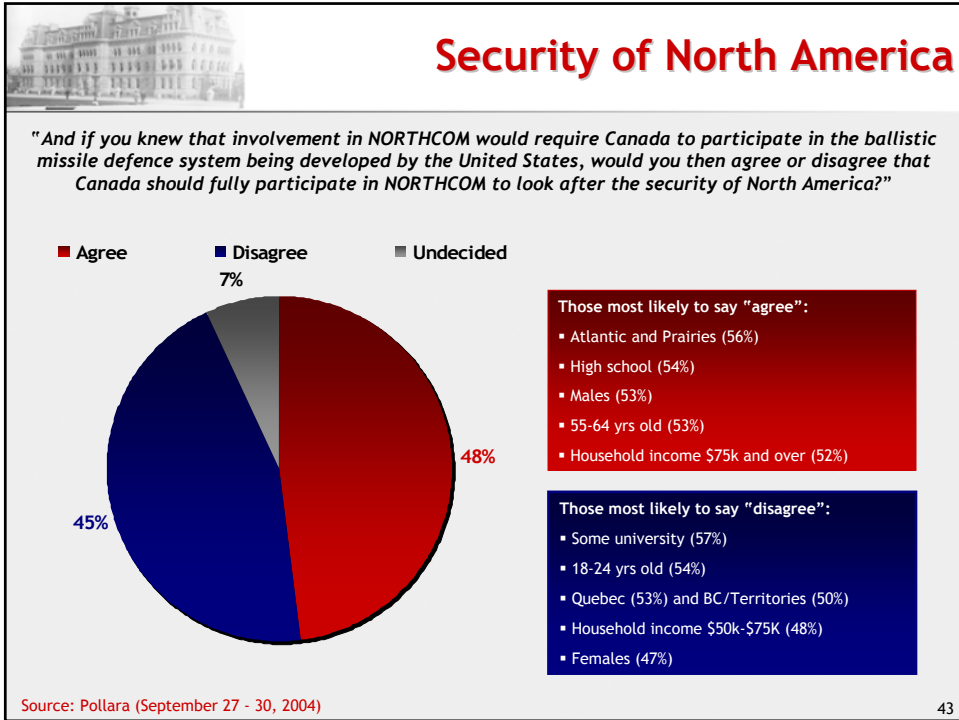







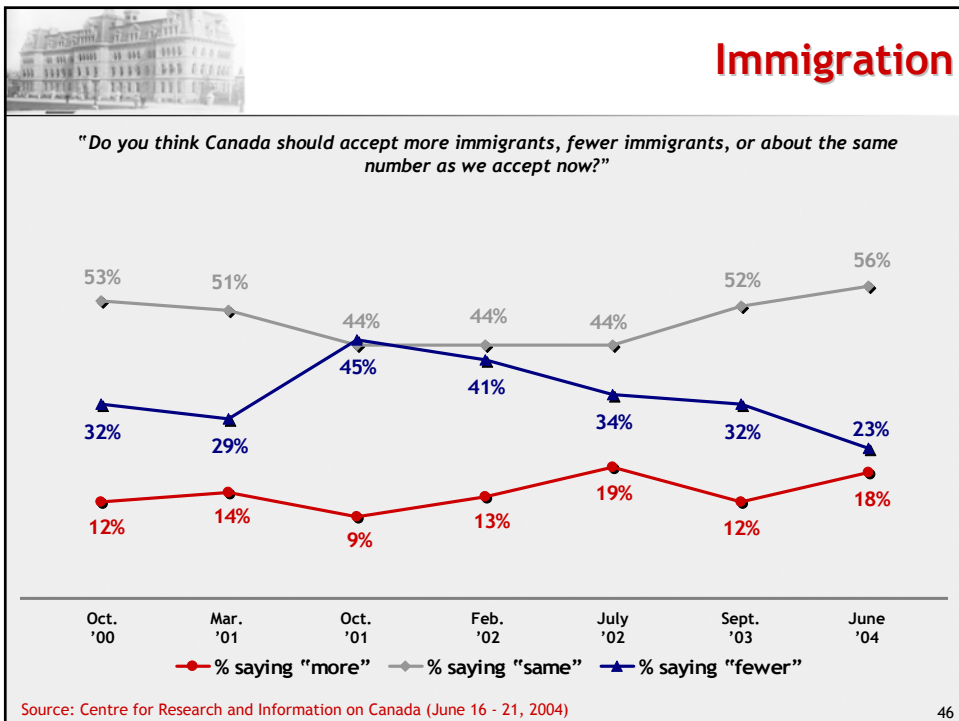
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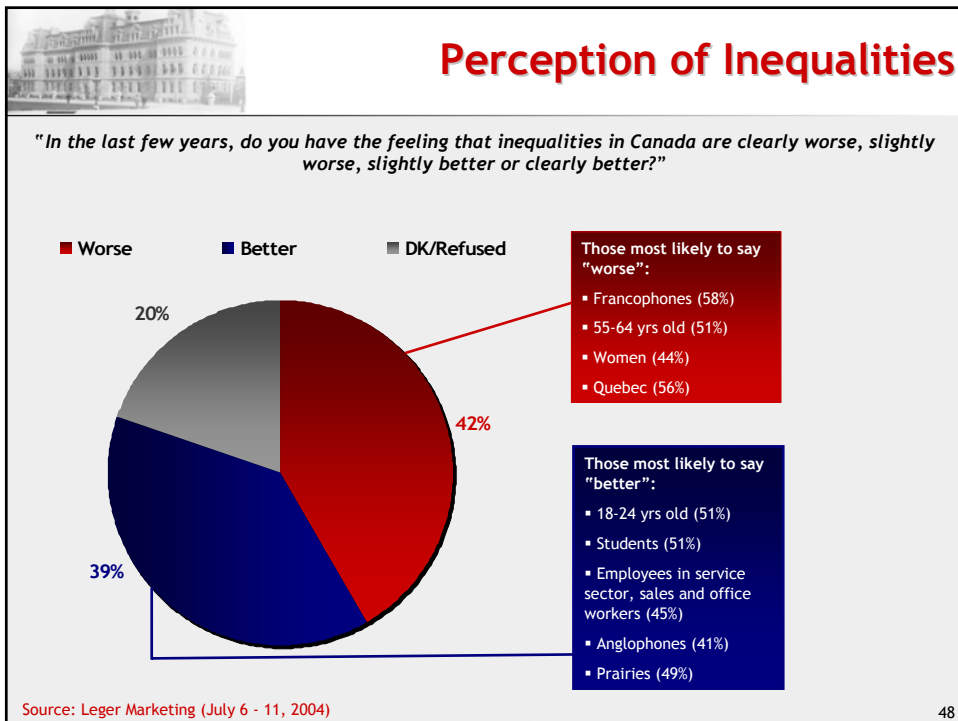
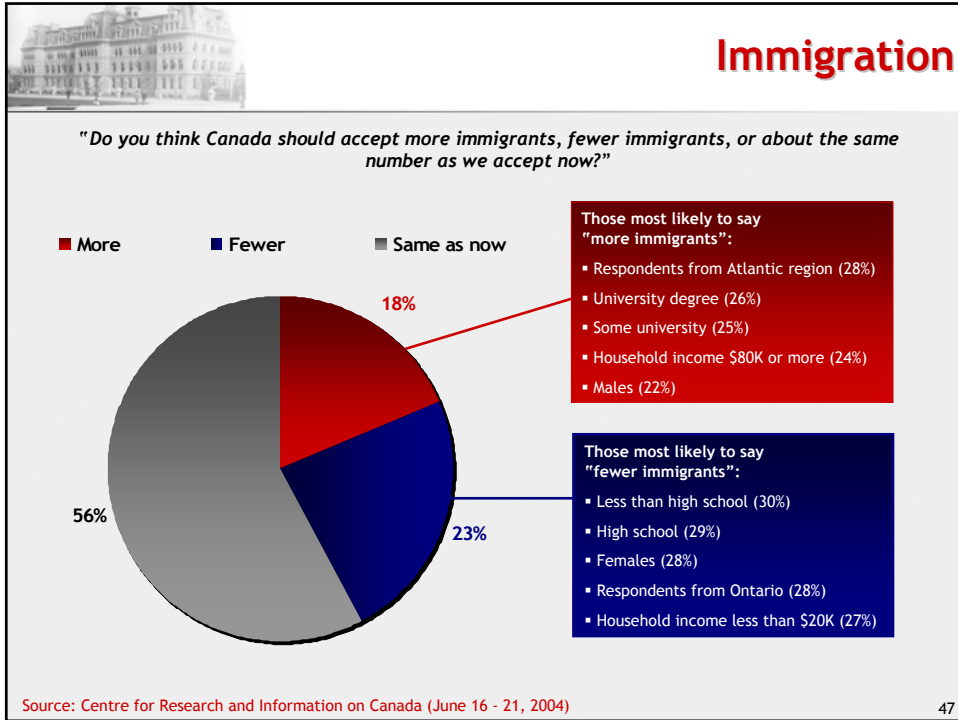


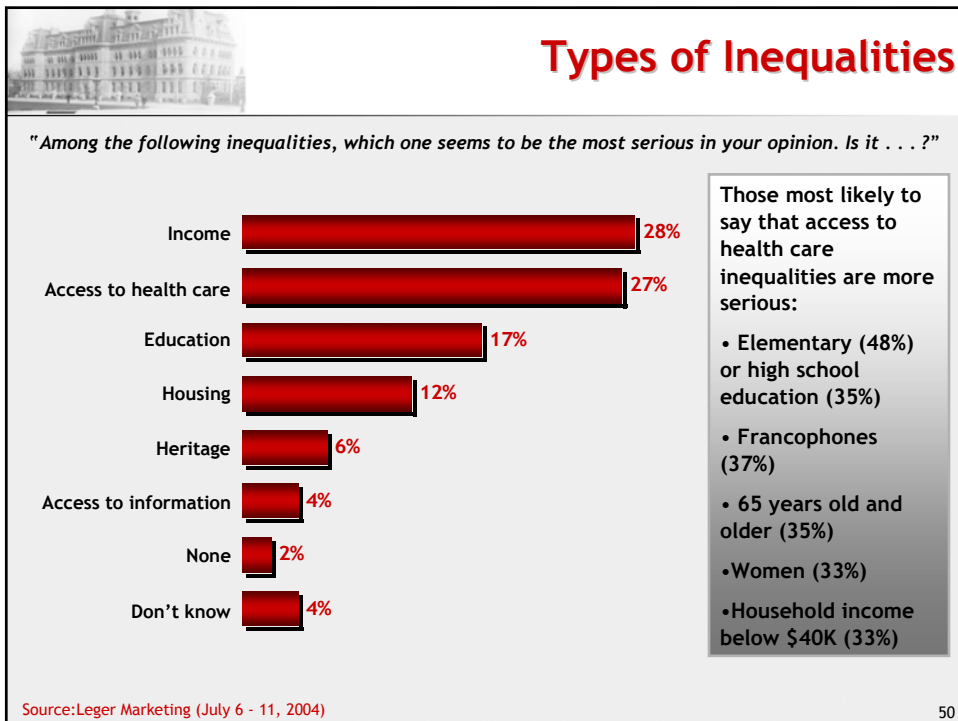
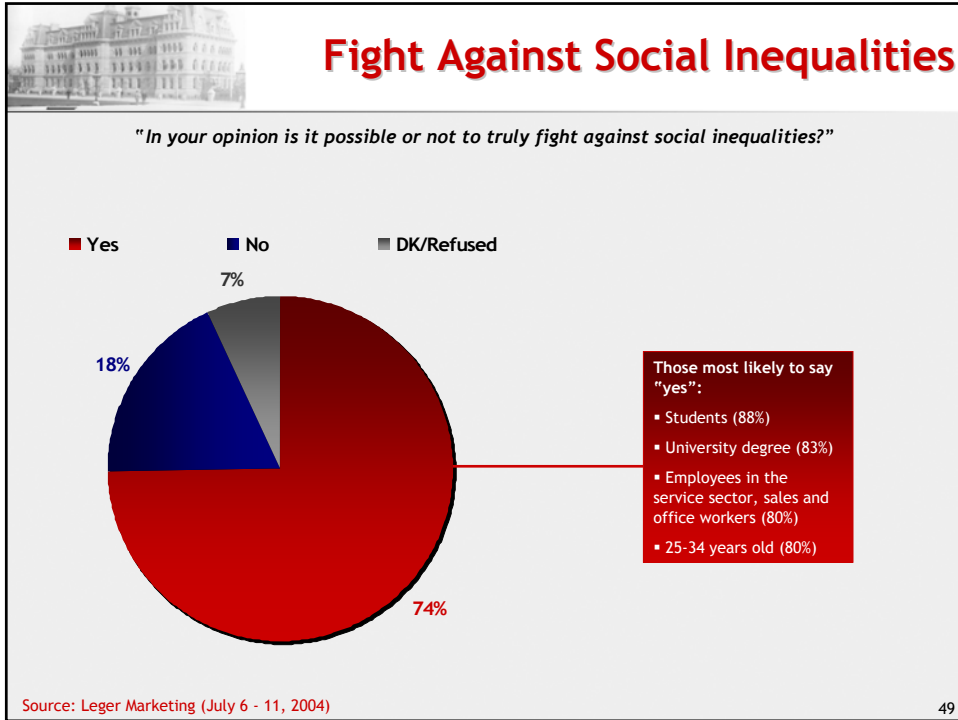


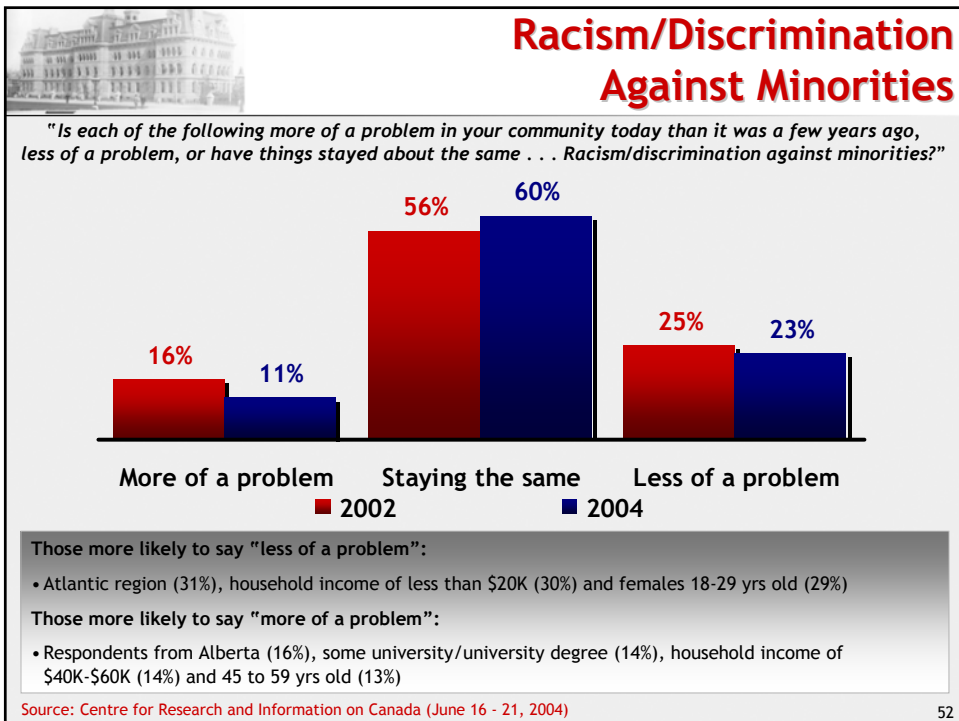
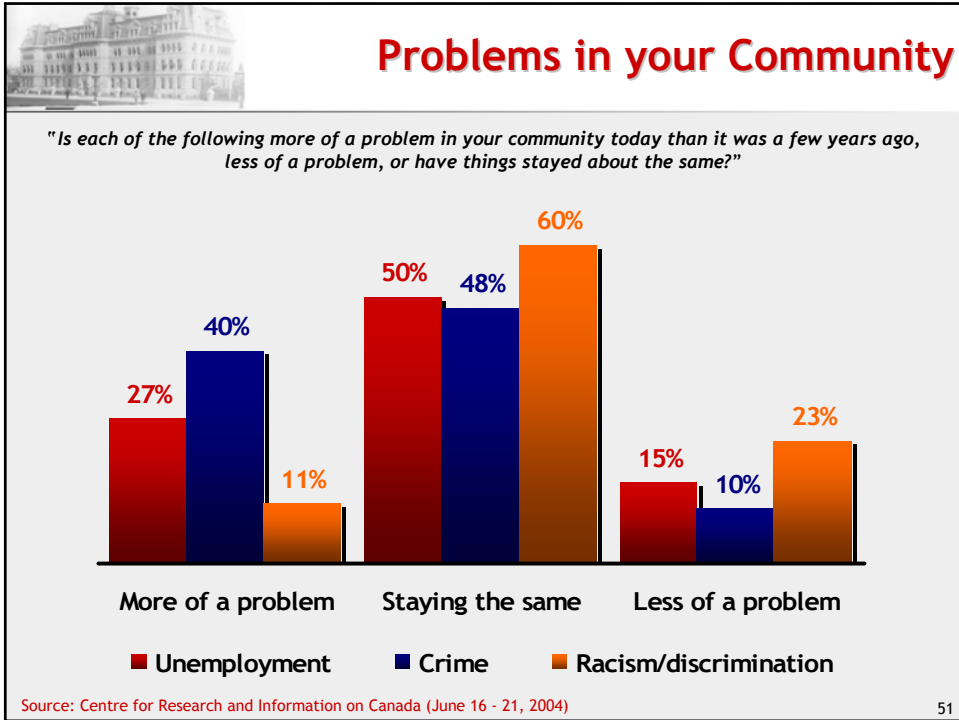


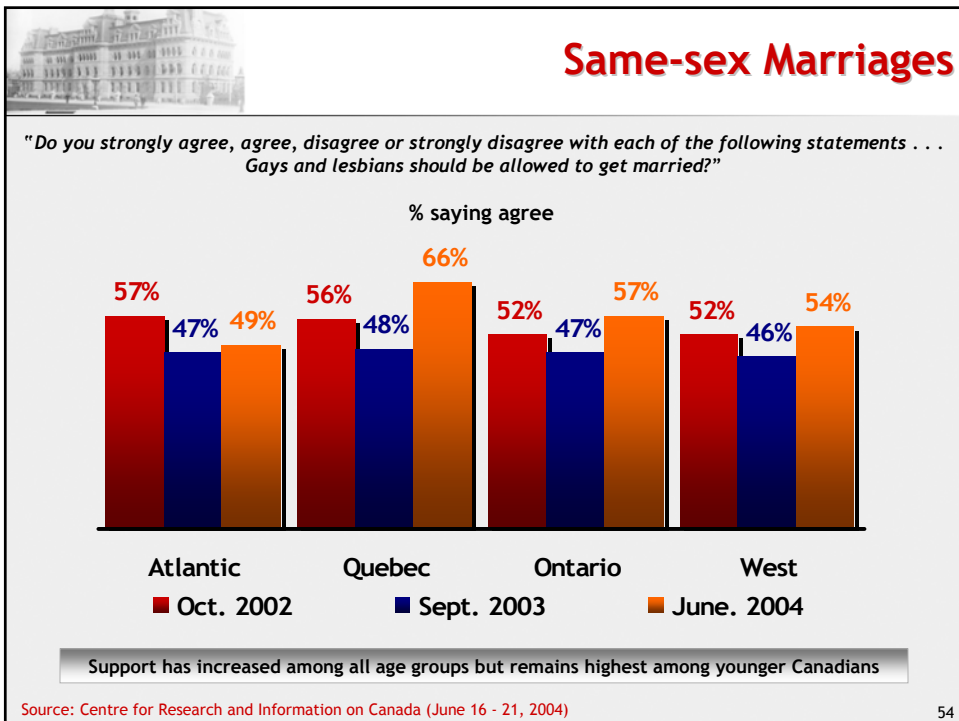
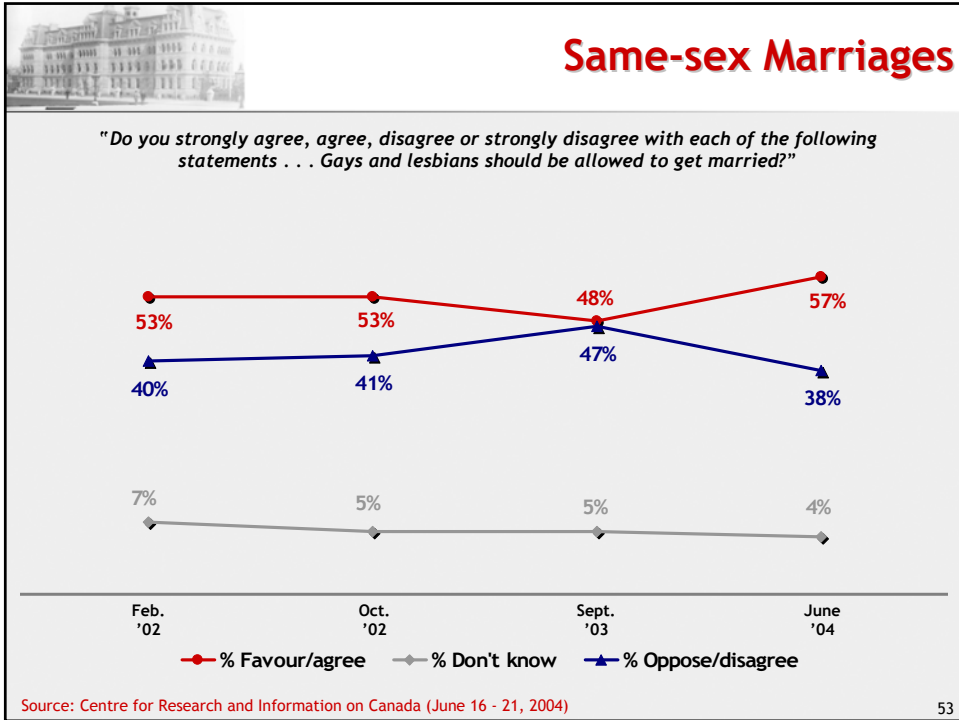
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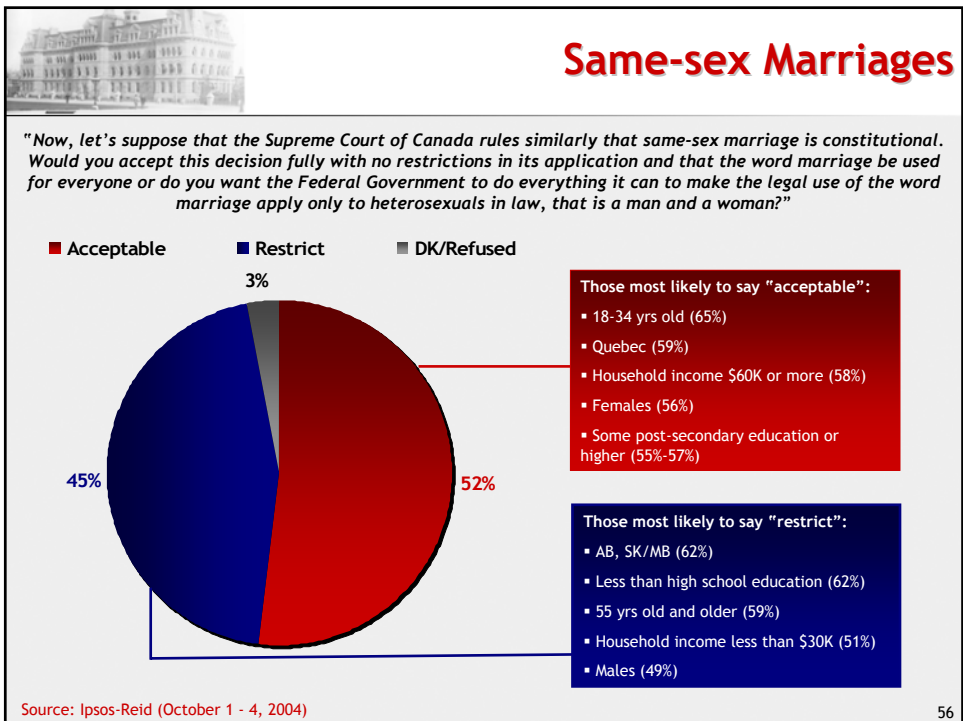
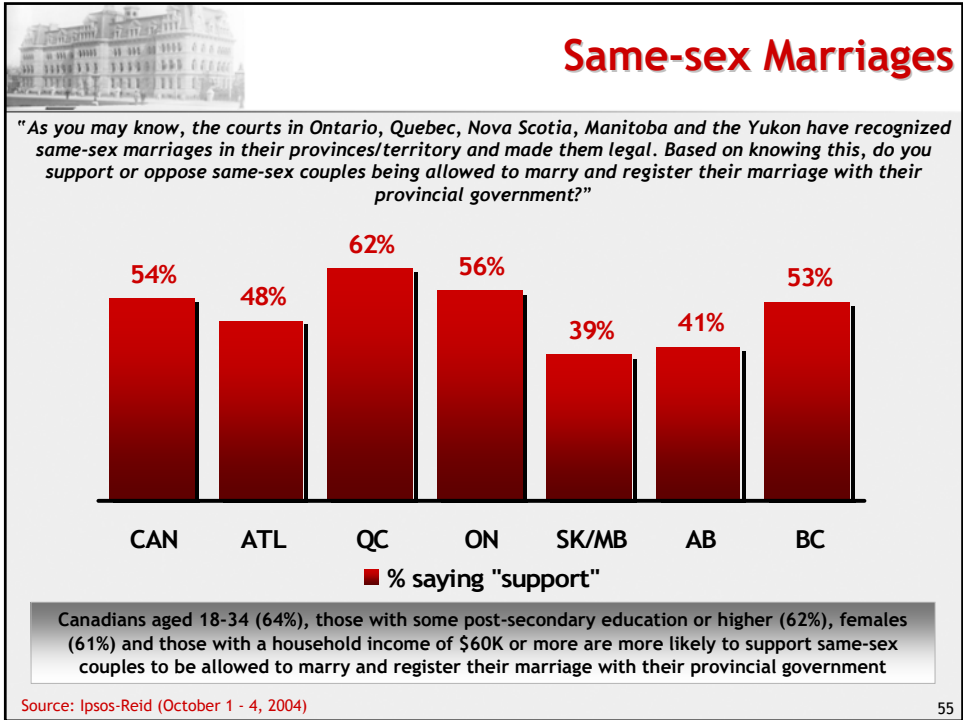


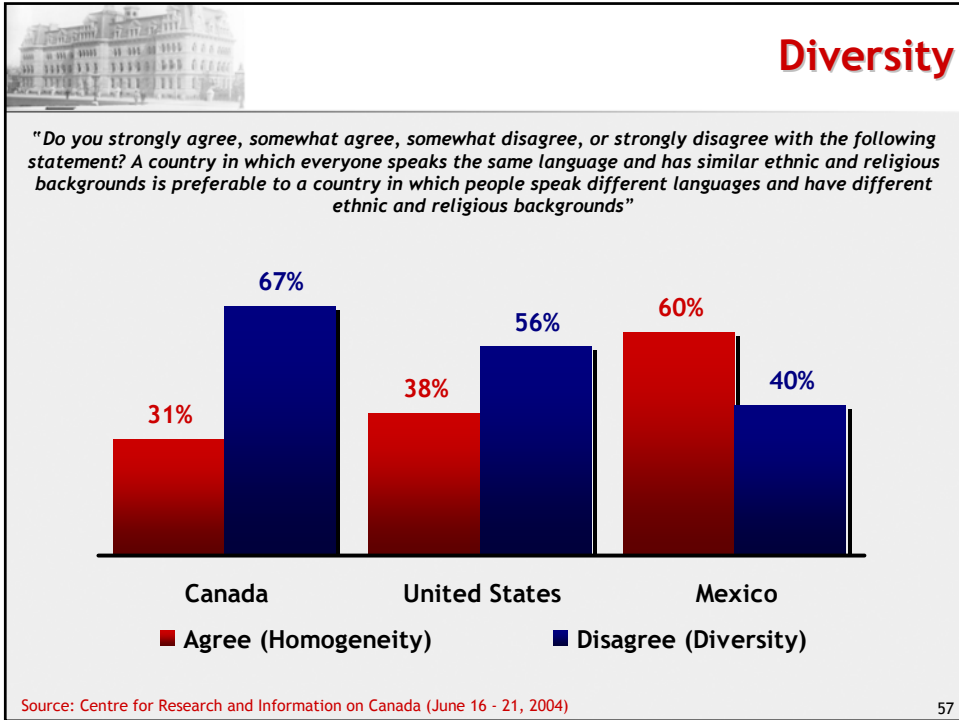




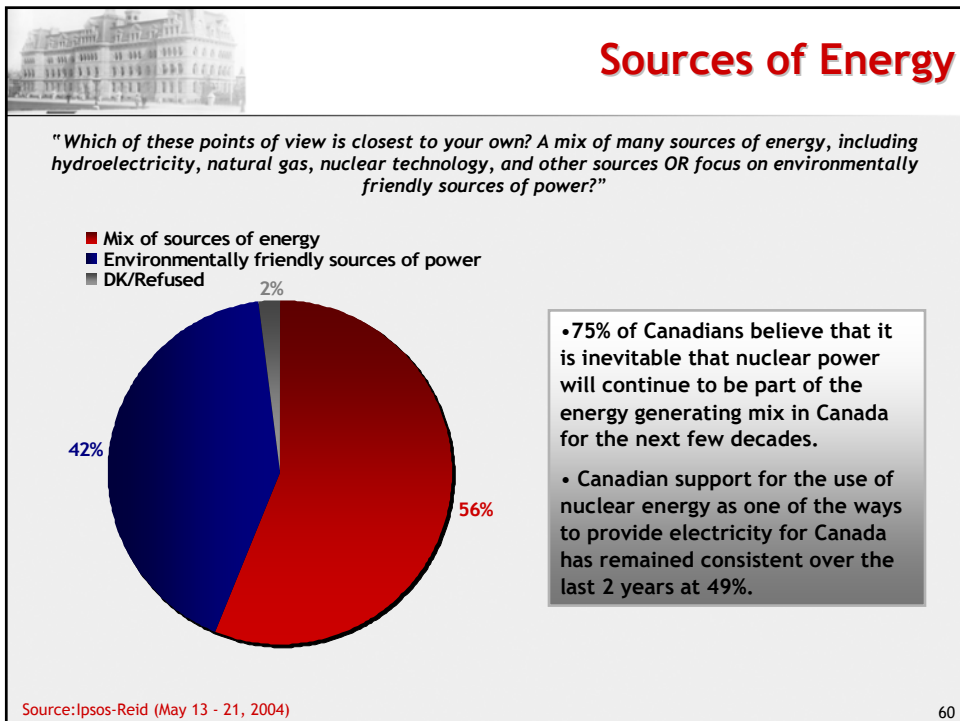
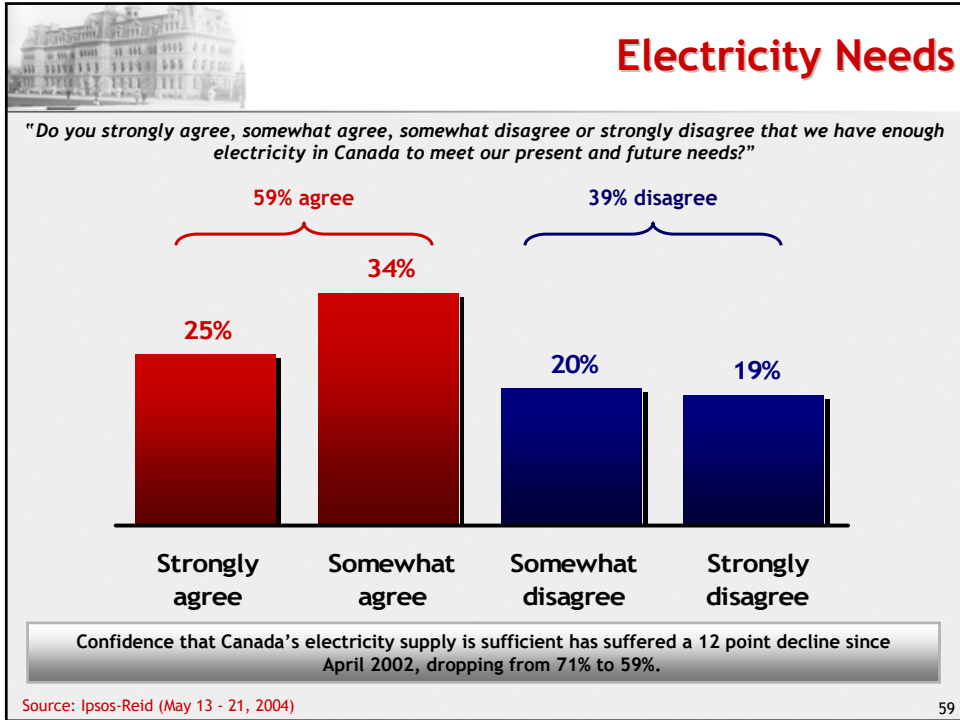


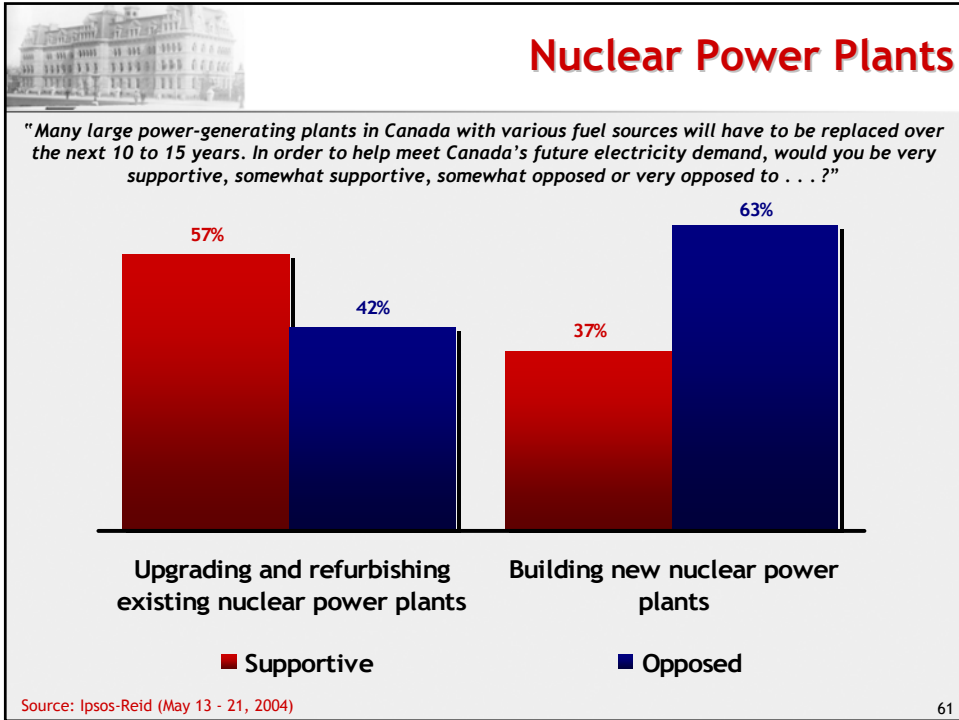







NUCLEAR ENERGY







Methodology

- Data on newspaper headlines, editorial content and television newscasts were collected between July and October 2004, and coded according to pre-determined categories.
- A list of the sources that make up the sample and a list of the categories can be found at the end of this section.

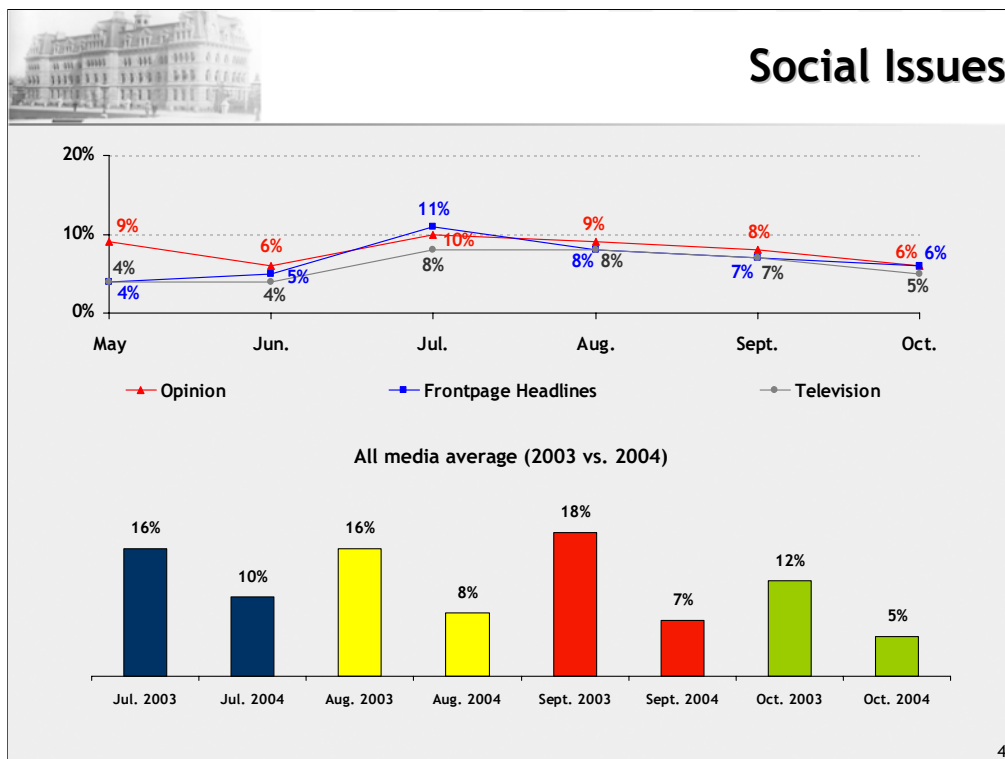
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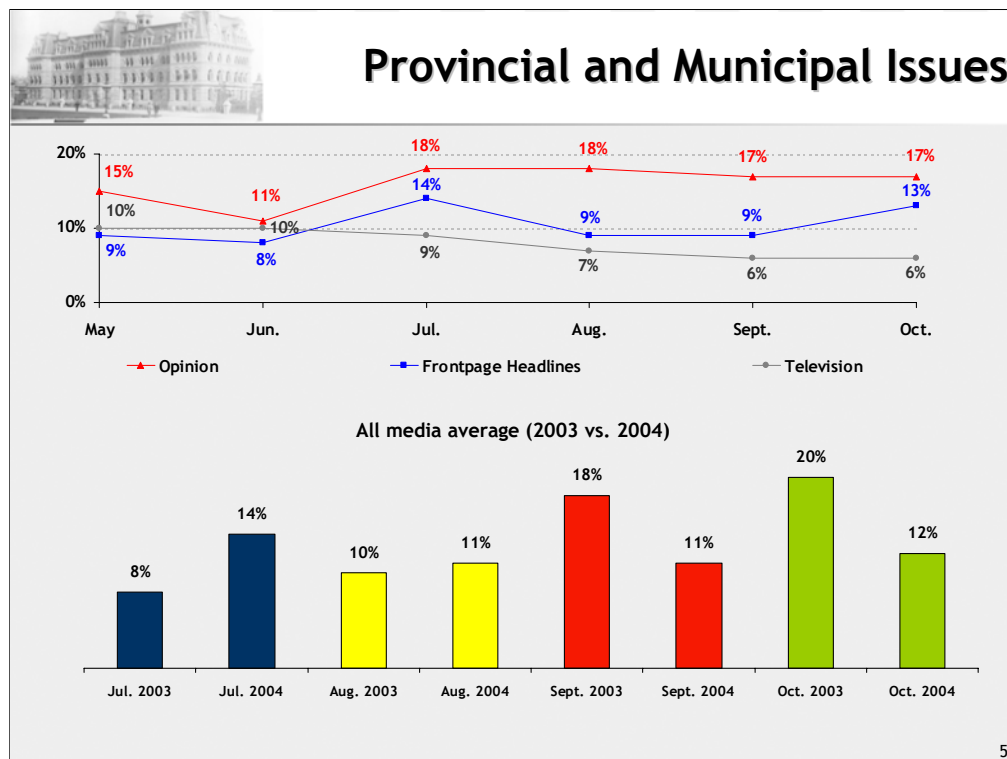
| Issue | Average | Editorial / Opinion | Headline | TV News |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------------------|----------|---------|
| Aboriginals | 1% | 1% | 0% | 1% |
| Economy | 11% | 10% | 10% | 14% |
| Foreign and Defence Policy | 6% | 8% | 6% | 4% |
| Global Security | 9% | 6% | 8% | 13% |
| Governance | 7% | 14% | 4% | 3% |
| Health | 8% | 11% | 7% | 6% |
| International Affairs | 12% | 8% | 11% | 17% |
| Miscellaneous | 16% | 1% | 24% | 23% |
| Natural Resources | 2% | 4% | 3% | 1% |
| Politics | 2% | 4% | 1% | 1% |
| Provincial and Municipal Affairs | 12% | 17% | 11% | 7% |
| Justice and Public Safety | 5% | 7% | 7% | 3% |
| Social Issues | 8% | 8% | 8% | 7% |
| Unity | 1% | 3% | 0% | 0% |

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Notable Headlines

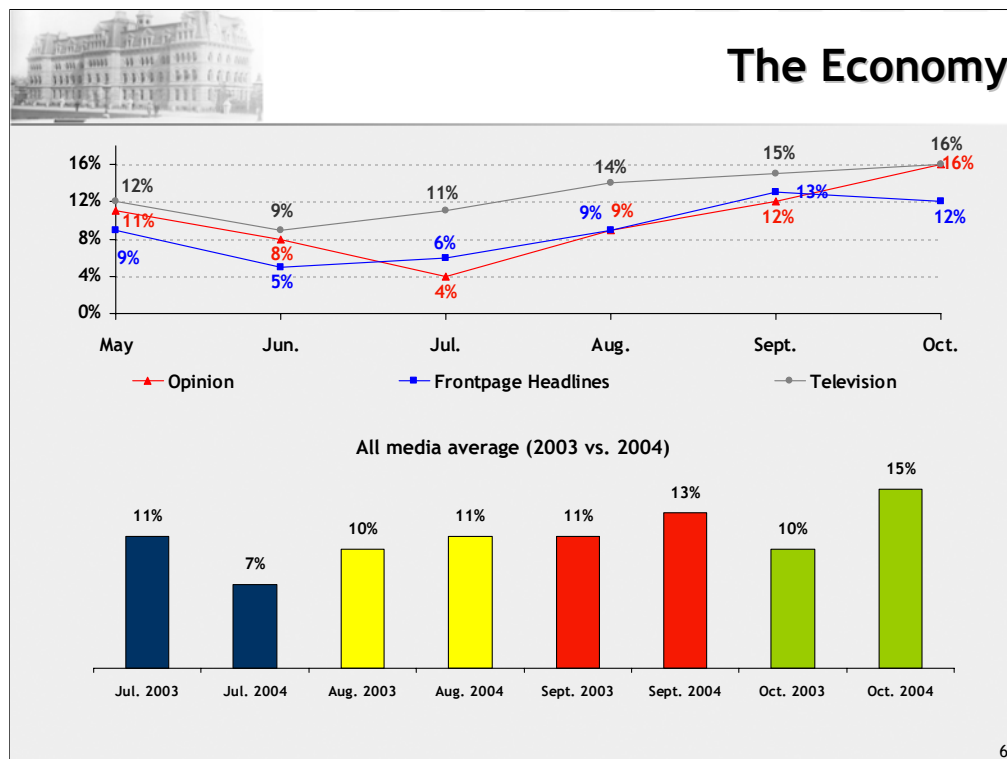
- Aug 15: Third Congrès mondial acadien closing ceremonies
- Aug 19: Welfare cases decline from 3.1 million to 2 million between 1994-2000
- Aug 25: CHOI FM granted reprieve
- Aug 29: Canada's performance at Olympics under scrutiny
- Sept 02: News reports highlight rising tuition fees
- Sept 07: Swim Canada fires head coach
- Sept 10: Minister Owen announces \$10.1 million increase in funds for carded athletes
- Sept 16: Karen Cain appointed Chair of Canada Council for the Arts
- Sept 23: Minister Frulla suggests that Quebec Culture Minister Beauchamp could speak on behalf of Canada at UNESCO when she cannot make it to meetings
- Oct 06: Supreme Court holds hearing on legality of same-sex marriage
- Oct 12: Government invests \$19 million in high performance sport
- Oct 25: OECD releases report critical of Canada's early childhood education



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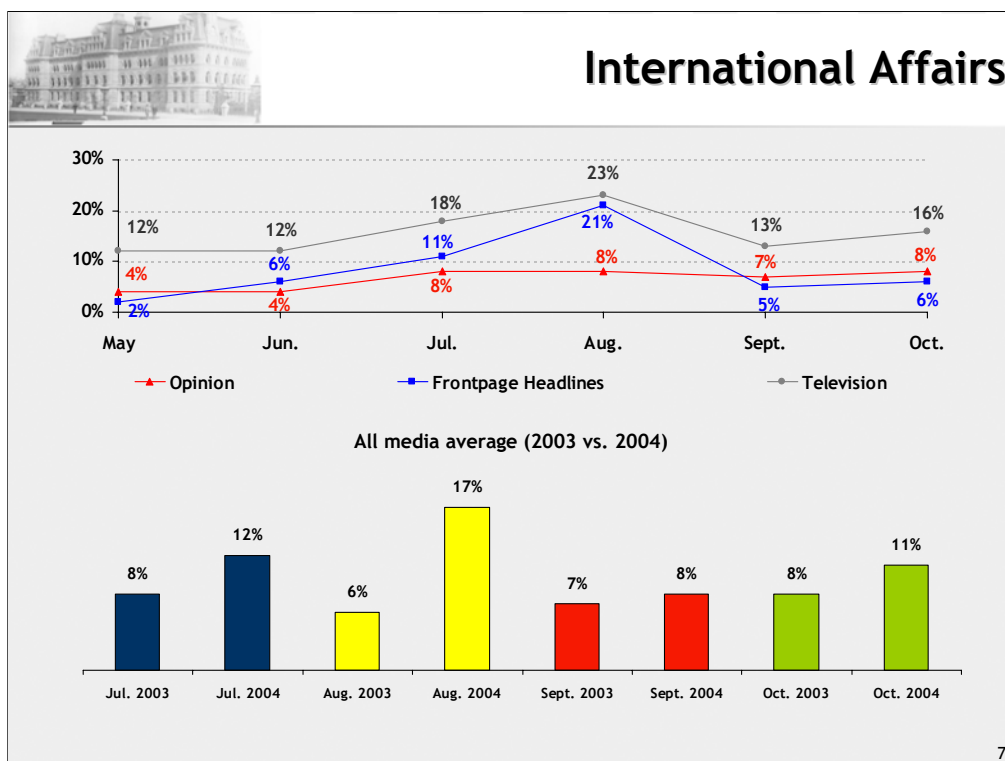
Notable Headlines

- Aug 16: Premier McGuinty proposes a federally funded pharmacare program
- Aug 18: Ontario budget health premium to raise \$2.4B
- Aug 27: Pauline Marois calls for a PQ leadership vote
- Sept 02: Premiers meet in Toronto before meeting with Prime Minister
- Sept 17: Premier McGuinty pledges to give city of Toronto more powers
- Sept 18: John Tory wins the Ontario Progressive Conservative leadership
- Sept 20: Four Quebec by-elections: ADQ 1; Liberals 2; PQ 1
- Oct 01: Manitoba and New Brunswick go totally smoke-free
- Oct 02: Bernard Landry predicts Quebec will be an independent country in five years
- Oct 09: Quebec sends aid workers to Haiti to assist storm victims
- Oct 12: Premier Klein says the Alberta Alliance party has "a radical right-wing agenda"
- Oct 13: Premier Charest will join French Prime Minister Jean-Pierre Raffarin on a trade mission to Mexico Nov. 17-18
- Oct 16: Premier Williams predicts accord deal will be done within 10 days
- Oct 17: Landry promises referendum during first half of next PQ government's mandate in 10-point plan for sovereignty
- Oct 20: British Columbia lowers sales tax / Ontario proposes removing junk food from schools
- Oct 21: Premier McGuinty announces increase in police presence in province and plan to hand over gas taxes to municipalities
- Oct 23: Bloc-PQ cost sharing deal leaked to news outlets / Duceppe rejects proposed deal
- Oct 25: Premier Klein calls provincial election for November 22
- Oct 28: NDP wins British Columbia by-election



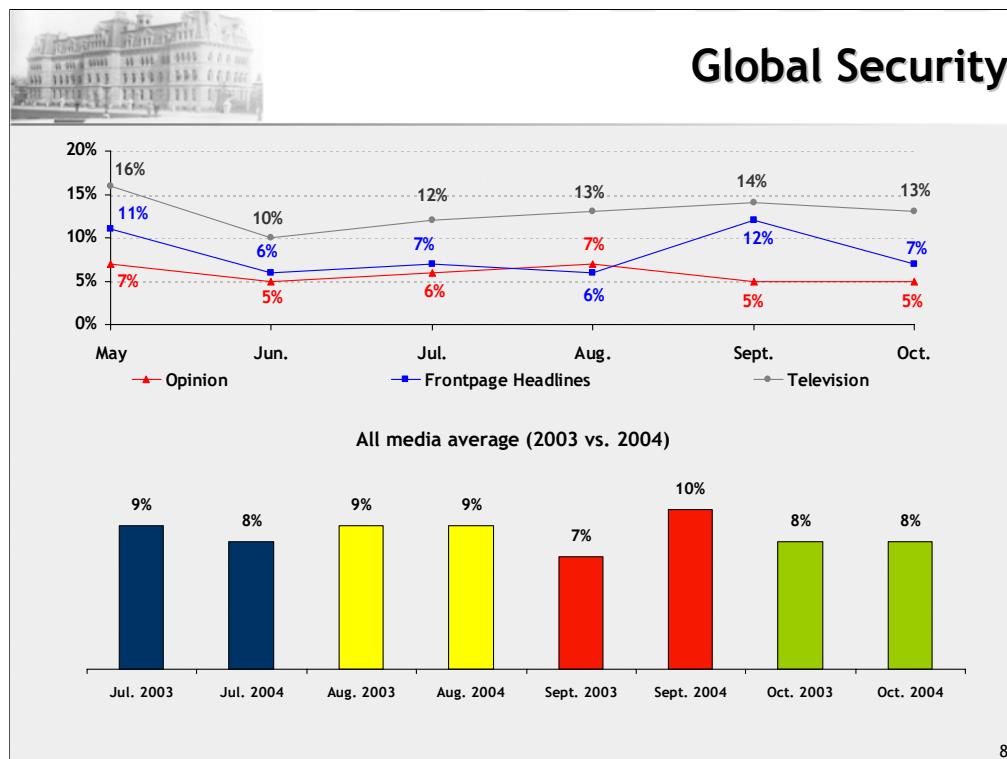
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- Aug 16: Gov't rejects PSAC labour deal as too rich / RCMP launch probe of Nortel
- Aug 19: Goodale rejects premiers' proposal for pharmacare
- Aug 26: Goodale says spending review is about "priorities", not downsizing
- Sept 03: Alliant strike ends
- Sept 17: Summit of 10 big-city mayors meet in Toronto request \$10-billion over 5 years
- Sept 20: Minister Brison proposes \$3 billion office sale
- Sept 30: Air Canada emerges from bankruptcy protection / Nortel cuts 3,250 employees
- Oct 01: Goodale announces Petro-Canada sale net profit of \$2.6 Billion
- Oct 07: Bombardier announces 2000 lay-offs
- Oct 08: Canadian dollar nudges 80 cents US
- Oct 13: Goodale announces \$9.1-billion surplus
- Oct 14: British-based MK Airlines 747 cargo plane crashes at the Halifax Airport
- Oct 15: Government and PSAC reach tentative agreements to end strike
- Oct 19: Bank of Canada raises key interest rate / Air Canada launches new look
- Oct 20: Dollar closes above 80 cents US for first time in a decade/ PM explains why Desjardins was left out of \$3.2-billion Petro-Canada privatization
- Oct 22: Proposed Chinese takeover of Noranda / Saskatchewan turns on Synchrotron
- Oct 26: PM announces \$33 billion over ten years in new equalization and territorial funding formula framework/Premier Williams leaves meeting on Equalization
- Oct 28: Ford invests \$100m in Ford Oakville expansion and provides loan guarantees to Bombardier



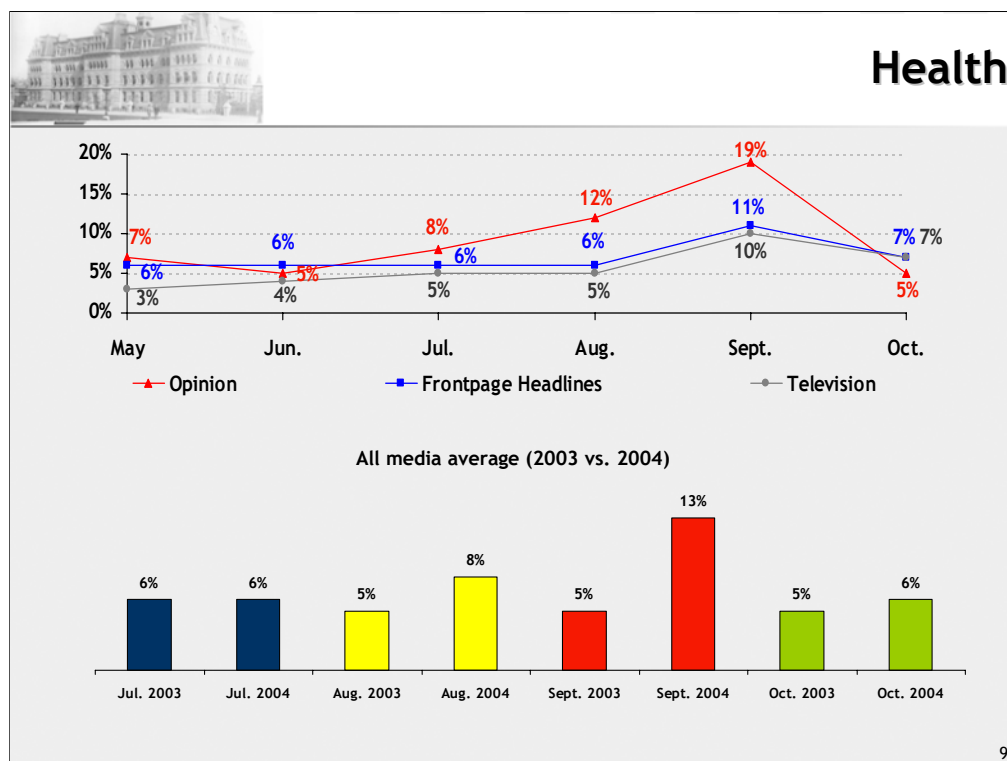
Notable Headlines

- Aug 01: WTO members approve the plan to end export subsidies on farm products
- Aug 13: 2004 Olympic games open in Athens
- Aug 15: President Bush vows quick relief for victims of hurricane Charley
- Aug 20: Bird flu returns to Asia
- Aug 27: Powell cancels trip to Athens
- Aug 29: Athens 2004 Olympics closing ceremony / Republican convention begins in NY
- Aug 31: Panel rules Canadian Softwood imports do not harm American producers
- Sept 02: Bush accepts party's nomination / Sudan criticises UN
- Sept 03: Pope calls on Canada to stop recording same-sex marriages
- Sept 16: Annan condemns US-led war on Iraq
- Sept 30: First US Presidential debate
- Oct 05: Crisis in Darfour / US Flu vaccine shortage / US Vice-Presidential debate
- Oct 08: Second US Presidential debate / Maathai awarded Nobel Peace Prize
- Oct 09: Australia's Howard wins fourth straight election
- Oct 13: Third US Presidential debate
- Oct 17: Humanitarian catastrophe in Sudan
- Oct 22: Japan to reopen Border for American beef
- Oct 30: US Presidential Election campaign viewed as "too close to call"



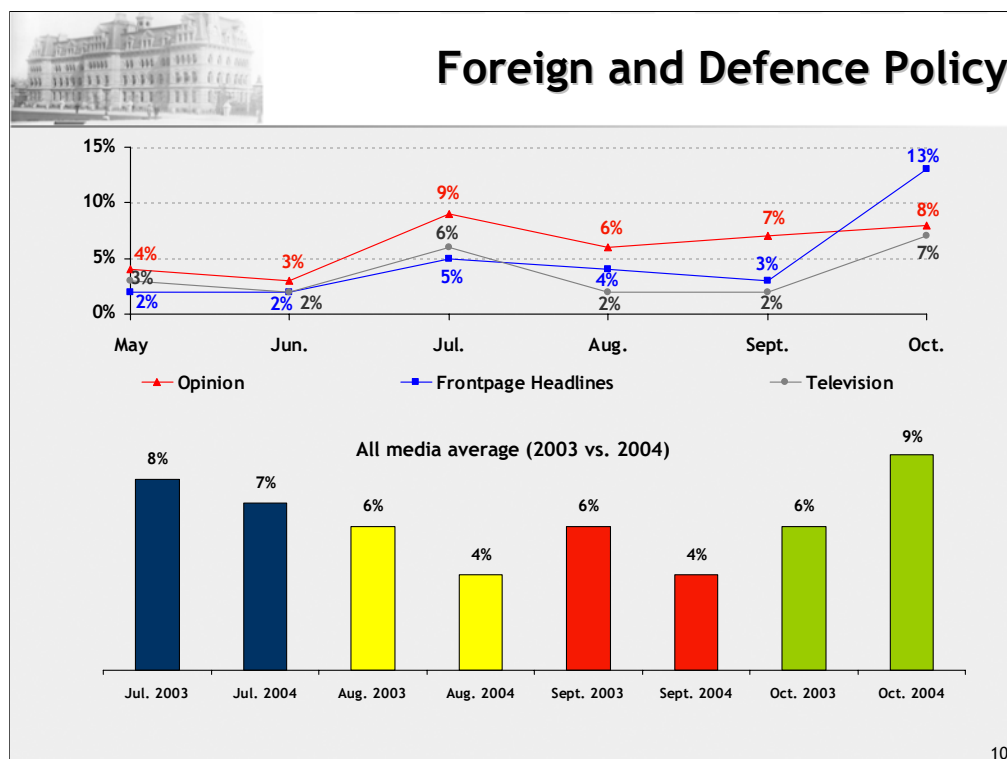
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- July 31: Iran resumes nuclear program
- Aug 16: Bush announces sweeping redeployment of US troops overseas
- Aug 17: Khadr alleges "a lot" of Canadians trained at al-Qaeda camps in Afghanistan
- Aug 21: Al-Sadr's militia negotiates handover of holy site in Najaf
- Aug 31: French government attempts to free French hostages in Iraq
- Sept 01: Terrorists hold 1,300 school children hostage in Beslan, Russia
- Sept 03: Russian commandos end hostage crisis in Beslan
- Oct 01: Israeli forces intensify military operations in Gaza Strip
- Oct 03: Three terrorist explosions hit resort area of Egypt
- Oct 08: First elections in Afghanistan / British hostage Kenneth Bigley murdered in Iraq
- Oct 10: Pakistan suffers deadly bombing
- Oct 11: "Passport to terror" CBC TV documentary airs / Minister Graham says Canada and Britain will work out submarine issue
- Oct 14: National Security Advisor Wright says it would be "absurd" not to fear terror
- Oct 19: Aid worker Hassan kidnapped in Iraq
- Oct 21: British troops redeployed in Iraq
- Oct 26: Israeli Parliament votes in favour of Sharon's withdrawal plan
- Oct 28: Arafat flown to France for medical treatment
- Oct 29: Osama bin Laden videotape released



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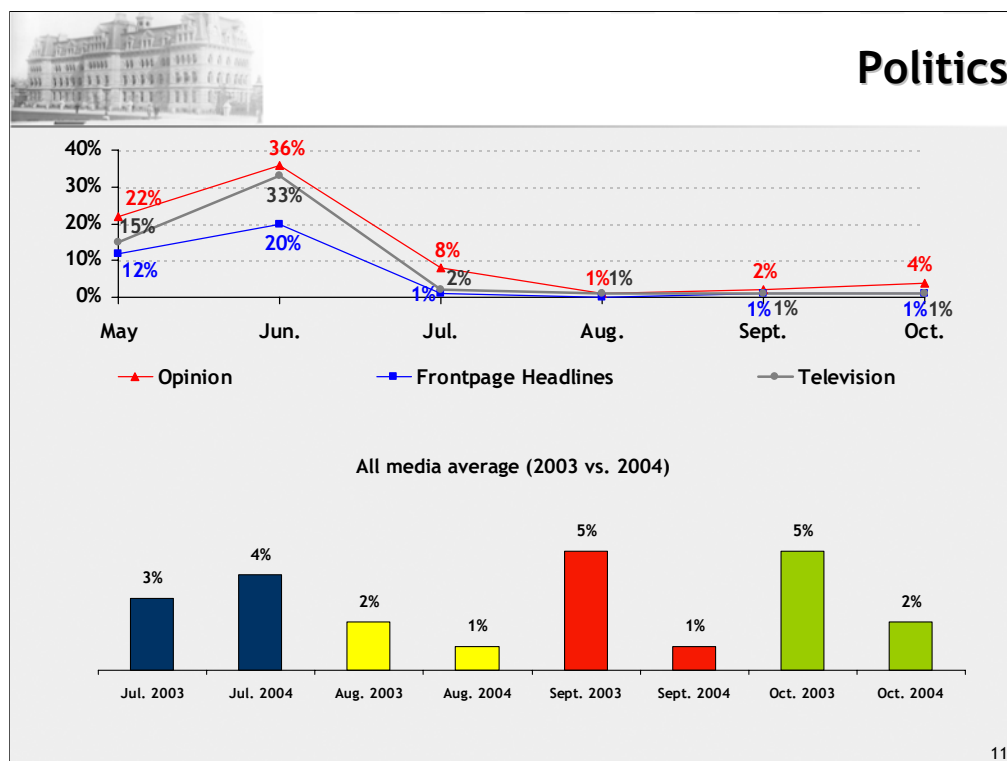
- July 30: Premiers call on Ottawa to establish a national drug plan
- Aug 15: CMA poll says confidence in health system eroding / want GST to pay for health
- Aug 16: Minister Dosanjh rejects pharmacare program / Canadian Medical Assoc. calls for use of the GST to fund health care
- Sept 13: First Ministers' Meeting in Ottawa starts
- Sept 15: First Ministers and Aboriginal Leaders agree on the need for an action plan to improve health services for all Aboriginal peoples
- Sept 16: PM and Premiers reach 10-year plan to strengthen health care
- Sept 24: David Butler-Jones appointed to head Public Health Agency of Canada
- Sept 30: Health Canada advises Canadians of Vioxx withdrawal by Merck & Co.
- Oct 05: Public Health Agency releases report on the health of young Canadians
- Oct 13: Hepatitis C compensation package could be revised
- Oct 17: F/P/T Health Ministers meet in Vancouver
- Oct 18: Health coalition calls for end of online drug sales to Americans
- Oct 20: C. difficile outbreak in Montreal



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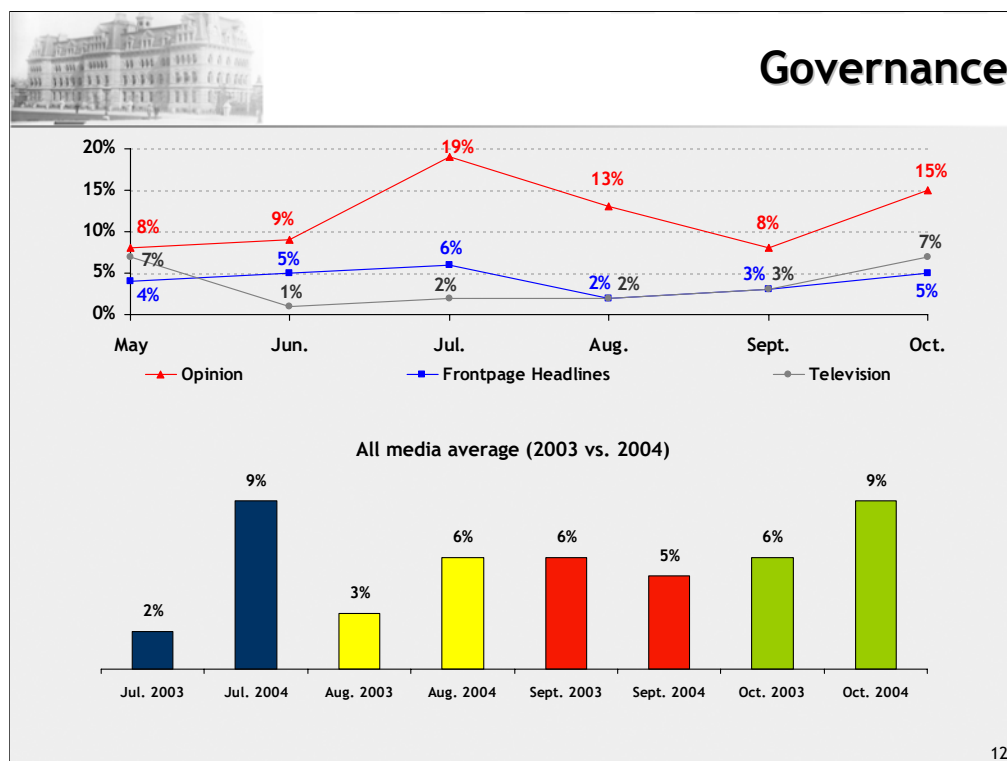
Notable Headlines

- July 06: PM announces 100 police officers as part of UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti
- Aug 20: Media report claims new 5,000 troop peacekeeping brigade "could gut military"
- Aug 23: CDS Henault rejects story that cutbacks are needed to pay for new peacekeepers
- Aug 24: DND releases final investigation into death of two CF members in Afghanistan
- Sept 22: PM addresses the UN General Assembly
- Sept 28: Minister Graham says he's a strong proponent of continental defence with US
- Oct 05: HMCS Chicoutimi sends distress signal stranded at sea
- Oct 06: Sailor aboard HMCS Chicoutimi dies
- Oct 07: HMCS Chicoutimi being towed to Scotland
- Oct 08: HMCS Windsor ordered back to port
- Oct 10: HMCS Chicoutimi arrives in port / Body of Canadian sailor arrives in Halifax
- Oct 11: Military funeral for Chris Saunders
- Oct 12: PM meets with Russian President Putin in Moscow
- Oct 20: CDS Henault defends submarine purchase before Parliamentary Committee
- Oct 21: 60th Anniversary of Italian Campaign of World War II
- Oct 25: Vicente Fox, President of Mexico, visits Canada



Notable Headlines

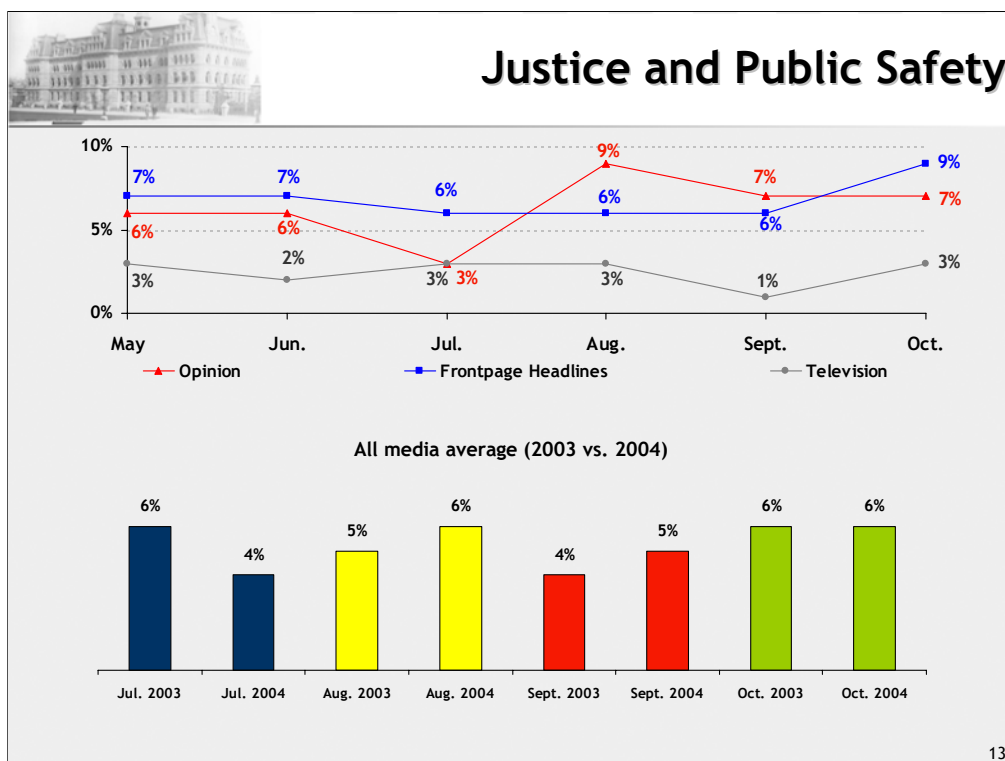
- Jun 28: Duceppe pledges to act responsibly should Bloc hold the balance of power
- Aug 20: Three Opposition leaders meet in Montreal
- Aug 24: Conservative Leader Harper pledges not to topple minority at first opportunity
- Aug 23: PM holds meetings with Jack Layton and Steven Harper
- Aug 25: Liberal MP Parrish refers to supporters of US BMD as "coalition of the idiots"
- Sept 02: PM meets with Gilles Duceppe to discuss new Parliament
- Sept 08: Harper announces Conservative Party policy convention for March 2005
- Sept 09: Three Opposition leaders announce a joint position on how the minority-government Parliament should operate
- Oct 06: Layton accuses Conservatives and Bloc of trying to install Harper as PM
- Oct 15: Harper speech in Quebec says it's time federalism adapted to the new Canadian reality -- something more like Belgium
- Oct 22: Sheila Copps memoirs attack PM



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Notable Headlines

- June 27: Liberal minority victory: Canada's ninth minority gov't and the first in 25 years
- July 14: PM announces opening of Parliament for October 4, 2004
- July 20: PM announces new ministry
- July 21: PM invites Premiers to First Ministers' Meeting in Ottawa for Sept. 13, 2004
- Aug 12: Andre Ouellet resigns as head of Canada Post
- Sept 07: PM holds two-day cabinet retreat in Kelowna
- Sept 08: Gomery Inquiry begins
- Sept 16: PM announces First Ministers' meeting for Oct. 26 to discuss Equalization, Territorial Formula Financing (TFF)
- Sept 30: PM stops raise for MPs / GG Clarkson to stay on for one more year
- Oct 05: Speech from the Throne
- Oct 07: Confidence vote crisis in House averted on Bloc sub-amendment
- Oct 08: Eleven new bills tabled in the House of Commons
- Oct 18: Valeri announces agreement on Conservative amendment to hold vote on missile shield, but final decision rests with cabinet
- Oct 20: Gomery Inquiry budget reported as \$20 million
- Oct 26: PM to testify at Gomery Sponsorship Inquiry
- Oct 29: Chuck Guité testifies at Sponsorship Inquiry



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Notable Headlines

- Aug 16: Cotler open to a full review of anti-terrorism legislation this fall / Ottawa will no longer contest gay unions
- Aug 23: Police want wiretap laws amended to cover Internet
- Aug 24: Louise Charron, Rosalie Abella nominated to Supreme Court
- Aug 25: First public hearings on Supreme Court appointments
- Aug 26: Parliamentary Committee satisfied with new judges / Police say parole system needs overhaul
- Sept 13: Arar inquiry private hearings start
- Oct 02: Toronto's Muslim community stage protest at CN Tower
- Oct 13: Minister Cotler announces plans to reintroduce marijuana bill
- Oct 28: Minister Cotler's Truscott announcement / Supreme Court ruling on pay equity



Frontpage Coverage by Region

| Issue | Atlantic | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | BC |
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| Aboriginals | 1% | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% |
| Economy | 13% | 9% | 8% | 10% | 8% |
| Foreign and Defence Policy | 6% | 4% | 9% | 4% | 3% |
| Global Security | 3% | 11% | 11% | 6% | 5% |
| Governance | 2% | 4% | 5% | 1% | 4% |
| Health | 7% | 4% | 7% | 7% | 12% |
| International Affairs | 4% | 21% | 12% | 10% | 6% |
| Miscellaneous | 30% | 23% | 22% | 28% | 24% |
| Natural Resources | 5% | 1% | 1% | 3% | 3% |
| Politics | 0% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| Provincial and Municipal Affairs | 15% | 11% | 8% | 16% | 10% |
| Justice and Public Safety | 6% | 3% | 8% | 7% | 12% |
| Social Issues | 9% | 6% | 8% | 8% | 11% |
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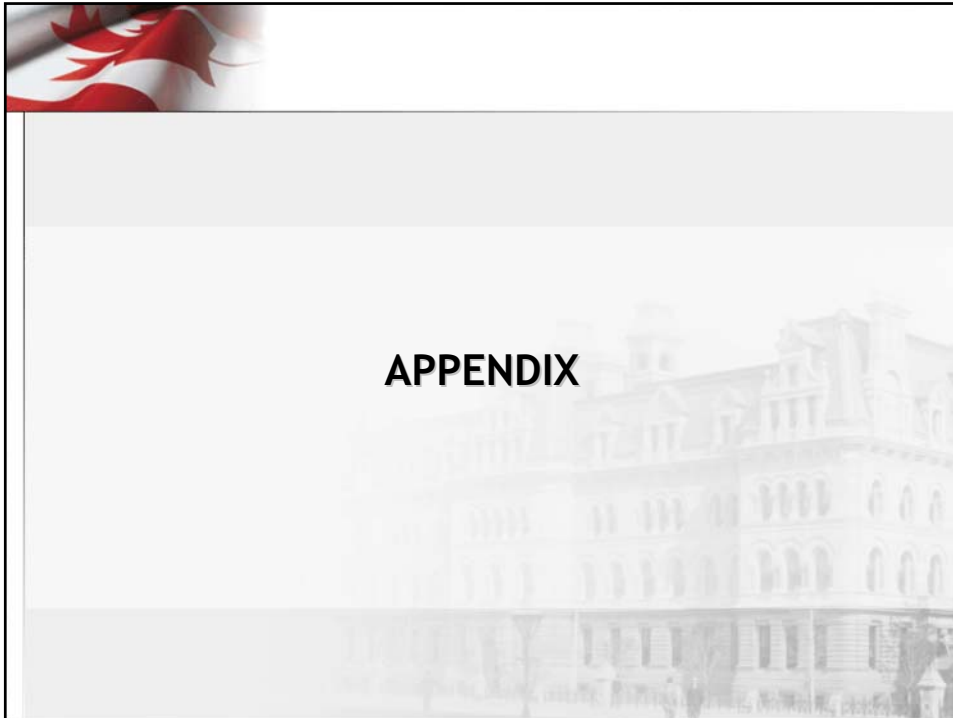


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| Global Security | 2% | 5% | 7% | 5% | 5% |
| Governance | 12% | 16% | 15% | 9% | 19% |
| Health | 13% | 7% | 9% | 13% | 12% |
| International Affairs | 2% | 13% | 8% | 7% | 2% |
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| Justice and Public Safety | 6% | 0% | 7% | 7% | 9% |
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APPENDIX



Sources and Sample Details

| National | Ontario | Television News |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Globe and Mail | The Toronto Star | CBC News |
| National Post | The Ottawa Citizen | CTV News |
| | | SRC - Le Téléjournal |
| | | TVA Réseau |
| Atlantic | Prairies | |
| Charlottetown Guardian | The Calgary Herald | |
| Halifax Chronicle Herald | The Winnipeg Free Press | |
| New Brunswick Telegraph Journal | The Regina Leader Post | |
| St. John's Telegram | | |
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| Quebec | British Columbia | |
| La Presse | The Vancouver Sun | |
| Le Journal de Montréal | | |

Sample Sizes

| | July 2004 | August 2004 | September 2004 | October 2004 |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| Frontpage Headlines | 1852 | 1831 | 1772 | 1715 |
| Editorial | 524 | 544 | 534 | 576 |
| Television | 1845 | 1844 | 1816 | 1660 |



Media Categories

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|------------------------------|---|
| Aboriginals | First Nations politics / Governance / Land Claims / Residential Schools |
| The Economy | Economy / Jobs / Fiscal issues / Taxes / Innovation & Skills / R&D / Industry / Transportation and Infrastructure |
| Foreign Policy | Foreign Policy / International Assistance / Immigration / Defence (including preparedness) |
| Global Security | Terrorism / War in Iraq / Canada -US border |
| Governance | Governance / Parliament / Ethics / Appointments / ATIP |
| Health | Health care services / Renewal / SARS / West Nile |
| International Affairs | International events that are political in nature or that have public policy implications (other than Terrorism and Iraq) |
| Miscellaneous | Miscellaneous |
| Natural Resources | Natural Resources / Environment / Climate Change / Energy / Fisheries / Agriculture |
| Party Politics | Partisan politics at federal level |
| Prov. & Munic | Provincial and municipal affairs / politics |
| Public Safety | Public safety / Justice / Organized crime / Security |
| Social issues | Social issues / Education / Culture / Same-Sex marriage |
| Unity | Unity / Federal-provincial relations / Fiscal federalism |



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2004 - February 2005

CALENDRIER D'ÉVÉNEMENTS

Décembre 2004 à février 2005



Government of Canada
Privy Council Office

Gouvernement du Canada
Bureau du Conseil privé



| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday - Sunday |
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| <h1>December 2004</h1> | | | | | |
| | | 1. • <i>International AIDS Day</i> | 2. • <i>Tabling of Cda's Performance Report 2004 – Ottawa</i> • <i>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</i> | 3. • <i>International Day of Disabled Persons</i> | 4/5. • <i>6th Cdn Immunization Conference – Montreal (5-8)</i> • <i>14th Board Meeting of GAVI – Abuja, Nigeria (4-5)</i> • <i>UN/International Volunteer Day for Economic & Social Development (5)</i> |
| 6. • <i>OSCE Ministerial Meeting – Sofia, Bulgaria (6-7)</i> • <i>National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women: Commemoration of the 15th anniversary of Montreal Massacre</i> | 7. • <i>Bank of Cda to announce its decision on interest rates</i> | 8. • <i>Earth Sciences Information Centre's 150th anniversary – Ottawa</i> | 9. • <i>Global Public Health Security Min Meeting – Paris (9-10)</i> • <i>NATO Ministerial Meeting – Brussels, Belgium (9-10)</i> | 10. • <i>Conference on Haiti – Montreal (10-12)</i> • <i>Forum of the Future – Morocco (10-11)</i> • <i>World Human Rights Day</i> | 11/12. • <i>International Conference on Water and Disasters – University of Western ON (11-13)</i> |
| 13. • <i>Release of the International Energy Agency publication entitled 'Energy Policies of IEA Countries: Cda 2004 Review' – Ottawa (T)</i> | 14. • <i>16th UNAIDS Program Coordinating Board – Jamaica (14-15)</i> | 15. • <i>10th Session of the Conference of the Parties (CoP10) (Climate Change) – Buenos Aires, Argentina (15-17)</i> | 16. | 17. • <i>Parliament rises for holidays</i> • <i>Release of Cda Pension Plan Disability Vocational Rehabilitation Evaluation Report</i> | 18/19. • <i>International Migrants Day (18)</i> |
| 20. | 21. | 22. | 23. | 24. | 25/26. • <i>Christmas Day (25)</i> • <i>Boxing Day (26)</i> |
| 27. | 28. | 29. | 30. | 31. | |

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| <h1>January 2005</h1> | | | | | 1/2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Year's Day (1) • Alberta & Saskatchewan Centenary Celebrations begin |
| 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. | 7. | 8/9. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinians to elect Arafat's successor (9) |
| 10. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Conference on Small Island Developing States - Mauritius (10-14) | 11. | 12. | 13. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Level Forum on Development Effectiveness - London, UK | 14. | 15/16. |
| 17. | 18. | 19. | 20. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Presidential Inauguration - Washington, DC | 21. | 22/23. |
| 24. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F/P/T Jus Min meeting - Ottawa (24-25) • F/P/T Emergency Management Min meeting - Ottawa (24-25) • Joint meeting of F/P/T Justice & Emergency Management Min - Ottawa (24-25) | 25. | 26. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F/P/T Labour Min meeting - Toronto (26-28) (TBC) • World Economic Forum - Davos, Switzerland (26-30) | 27. | 28. | 29/30. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iraq presidential & legislative elections (30) |
| 31. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliament resumes | | | | | |

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| <h1>February 2005</h1> | | | | | |
| | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5/6. |
| <p>7.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1-B of the public hearings of the Commission of inquiry into the Sponsorship Program & Advertising Activities – Ottawa (Feb 7-Apr 30) | 8. | 9. | 10. | 11. | 12/13. |
| <p>14.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valentine's Day | <p>15.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Flag of Canada Day | <p>16.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd Summit on Earth Observation – Brussels, Belgium Kyoto Protocol comes into force Heritage Day | 17. | 18. | <p>19/20.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atlantic Energy Roundtable – Halifax (19) |
| 21. | 22. | <p>23.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd Annual Conference on Climate Change – Montreal | 24. | <p>25.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneur Symposium 2005 - AB | 26/27. |
| <p>28.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure Renewal & Financing Conference – Toronto (Feb 28-Mar 1) | | | | | |