



## **NANOS POLL**

**Canadian Views on High Speed Rail**  
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### **Methodology**

To follow is a review of the latest Nanos national random telephone survey of 1,002 Canadians 18 years of age and older. It was completed between May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The results are representative of the Canadian population and may be weighted based on data from Statistics Canada. A random telephone survey of 1,002 Canadians is accurate  $\pm 3.1\%$ , 19 times out of 20. The margin of accuracy will be wider for sub samples. Percentages may exceed 100 due to rounding.



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Would you consider your impression of high-speed rail in general as positive, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or negative?

		Total	Positive	Somewhat positive	Somewhat negative	Negative	Unsure
		Responses	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage
Region	Canada 200805	1002	46.5	30.5	7.5	9.5	6.1
	Atlantic	97	28.1	33.2	12.7	16.6	9.4
	Quebec	249	48.7	32.1	5.8	7.6	5.8
	Ontario	301	49.1	28.5	7.0	9.0	6.4
	West	355	47.7	30.2	7.6	9.2	5.3
Gender	Male	476	54.3	26.6	6.3	8.1	4.6
	Female	525	39.2				
					2.5		

Do you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose Canada having a high-speed rail system?

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Unsure
		Responses	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage
Region	Canada 200805	1002	53.5	24.8	5.5	11.3	4.9
	Atlantic	97	43.8	26.9	7.0	12.6	9.7
	Quebec	249	56.5	24.5	6.5	9.9	2.5
	Ontario	301	55.9	22.3	5.0	10.8	6.0
	West	355	52.0	26.5	4.8	12.3	4.4
Gender	Male	476	58.2	22.1	4.6	11.2	4.0
	Female	525	49.4	27.0	6.3	11.4	5.8
Age	18 to 29	197	46.3	30.9	9.4	9.4	4.0
	30 to 39	192	57.5	25.6	2.5	8.8	5.6
	40 to 49	215	55.7	26.4	5.0	10.4	2.5
	50 to 59	173	54.1	25.0	4.9	9.8	6.1
	60 plus	225	53.8	17.0	5.7	17.0	6.5

Thinking about your own personal travel habits would you consider or not consider traveling by high-speed rail if you had the opportunity?

		Total	Consider	Not consider	Unsure
		Responses	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage
Region	Canada 200805	1002	77.9	17.9	4.3
	Atlantic	97	71.2	23.4	5.4
	Quebec	249	82.0	15.4	2.5
	Ontario	301	78.5	16.4	5.0
	West	355	76.2	19.3	4.5
Gender	Male	476	81.7	14.9	3.5
	Female	525	74.4	20.7	5.0
Age	18 to 29	197	75.8	20.1	4.0
	30 to 39	192	84.4	12.5	3.1
	40 to 49	215	81.1	14.4	4.5
	50 to 59	173	79.1	17.2	3.7
	60 plus	225	70.0	24.3	5.7

Would you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose government funding the complete high-speed rail project?

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Unsure
		Responses	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage
Region	Canada 200805	1002	42.2	25.3	7.3	20.5	4.6
	Atlantic	97	31.5	32.0	6.4	23.1	7.0
	Quebec	249	37.0	28.2	12.7	20.0	2.0
	Ontario	301	45.9	21.3	6.0	20.9	5.9
	West	355	45.7	24.8	4.9	19.9	4.7
Gender	Male	476	48.8	22.1	6.0	18.8	4.3
	Female	525	36.4	28.2	8.3	22.2	5.0
Age	18 to 29	197	40.9	28.2	8.7	20.1	2.0
	30 to 39	192	43.8	34.4	3.8	13.1	5.0
	40 to 49	215	40.3	24.9	9.0	21.4	4.5
	50 to 59	173	39.8	26.2	9.8	19.7	4.5
	60 plus	225	45.7	14.6	5.7	27.1	6.9



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Would you support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or oppose having a partnership between government and the private sector where they share the funding of the high-speed rail project?

		Total	Support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Oppose	Unsure
		Responses	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage	Percentage
Region	Canada 200805	1002	45.5	25.1	5.2	19.5	4.8
	Atlantic	97	34.1	25.9	5.2	26.1	8.7
	Quebec	249	44.0	31.1	7.4	15.5	1.9
	Ontario	301	48.7	20.0	5.6	19.4	6.4
	West	355	46.8	25.0	3.3	20.5	4.3
Gender	Male	476	50.8	21.6	4.3	20.1	3.2
	Female	525	40.7	28.1	6.1	18.9	6.2
Age	18 to 29	197	41.6	34.2	4.7	16.8	2.7
	30 to 39	192	49.4	25.6	6.9	13.8	4.4
	40 to 49	215	50.7	21.4	5.0	18.9	4.0
	50 to 59	173	42.2	28.3	4.1	20.1	5.3
	60 plus	225	42.9	17.8	5.3	26.7	7.3