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## Canadian and American opinion on the Ukrainian- Russian War

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# Introduction and Methodology

This Friday August 15, President Trump will meet with Vladimir Putin to look at ways to end the war in Ukraine. There is widespread global skepticism over the prospects for Friday's [summit](#) leading to a deal that is not highly unfavorable to Ukraine, Kyiv and its European allies.

The war in Ukraine continues to intensify as Russia increases its military pressure and as international attention risks drifting the country's need for Western support, both political and material, appears all the more critical. How do Americans and Canadians view Russia's war on Ukraine? That which follows provides insight into these issues via an ACS (Association for Canadian Studies) detailed analysis of a survey conducted by Leger Marketing over the period June 6-8, 2025. with 1511 respondents in Canada and 1011 in the United States.

A margin of error cannot be associated with a non-probability sample in a panel survey for comparison purposes. A probability sample of 1511 respondents in Canada would have a margin of error of  $\pm 2.5\%$ , 19 times out of 20 and a sample of 1011 respondents in the US a margin of error of  $\pm 3.08\%$ , 19 times out of 20.

# Americans are more likely than Canadians to think that their country is not supportive enough of Ukraine

Thinking about the relationship between the Canada/United States and Ukraine, do you think the Canada/United States is not supportive enough of Ukraine, its support is about right, or it is too supportive of Ukraine?	United States	Canada
Not supportive enough	29%	14%
About right	26%	48%
Too supportive	19%	17%
No opinion	26%	21%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

# Americans and Canadians near equally following events in Ukraine with half following closely

How closely have you been following the events going on in Ukraine, over the past week or so?	United States	Canada
Very closely	15%	12%
Somewhat closely	28%	36%
Not very closely	27%	32%
Not at all	25%	16%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	5%	4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

# Canadians feel that they have a slightly better understanding than do Americans about the conflict between Ukraine and Russia

Do you feel you have a good understanding or not about the conflict between Ukraine and Russia?	United States	Canada
Very good understanding	18%	15%
Fairly good understanding	38%	47%
Not very good understanding	20%	22%
Barely any understanding at all	15%	11%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	9%	6%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

# Most Canadians feel they have a good understanding of the conflict over 35 more so than under 35

Do you feel you have a good understanding or not about the conflict between Ukraine and Russia?	Total	Between 18 and 24	Between 25 and 34	Between 35 and 44	Between 45 and 54	Between 55 and 64	65+
NET GOOD	62%	53%	49%	58%	60%	65%	75%
Very good understanding	15%	12%	9%	17%	13%	15%	20%
Fairly good understanding	47%	41%	40%	41%	47%	51%	54%
NET BAD	33%	39%	43%	34%	35%	30%	23%
Not very good understanding	22%	28%	29%	23%	19%	21%	17%
Barely any understanding at all	11%	11%	14%	10%	16%	10%	6%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	6%	8%	8%	8%	5%	4%	3%

# Men and younger Canadians are more optimistic about peace prospects between Ukraine and Russia

Do you believe that lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia can or cannot be reached in the future?	Total	Male	Female	Between 18 and 24	Between 25 and 34	Between 35 and 44	Between 45 and 54	Between 55 and 64	65+
Can be reached	42%	51%	34%	53%	42%	44%	45%	39%	36%
Cannot be reached	29%	30%	27%	21%	27%	27%	22%	30%	38%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	29%	19%	39%	26%	32%	30%	32%	31%	26%

# A plurality of Americans and Canadians are hopeful about the prospects for lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia

Do you believe that lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia can or cannot be reached in the future?	United States	Canada
Can be reached	40%	42%
Cannot be reached	26%	28%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	34%	30%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

# Amongst those Canadians who feel they have a good understanding of the conflict there is a greater tendency to feel that lasting peace can be achieved between Ukraine and Russia

Do you believe that lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia can or cannot be reached in the future?	Do you feel you have a good understanding or not about the conflict between Ukraine and Russia?			
	Very good understanding	Fairly good understanding	Not very good understanding	Barely any understanding at all
Canada				
Can be reached	50%	48%	38%	25%
Cannot be reached	39%	32%	24%	29%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	11%	20%	38%	46%
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

# Amongst those Canadians most closely following events in Ukraine the tendency is greater to think that Canada is not supportive enough

Thinking about the relationship between Canada and Ukraine, do you think Canada is not supportive enough of Ukraine, its support is about right, or it is too supportive of Ukraine?	How closely have you been following the events going on in Ukraine, over the past week or so?			
	Very closely	Somewhat closely	Not very closely	Not at all
Not supportive enough	38%	19%	8%	2%
About right	47%	61%	49%	25%
Too supportive	14%	17%	20%	18%
No opinion	1%	4%	23%	55%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

# Perceived degree of support for Ukraine has little impact on the extent to which Canadians believe that peace can/cannot be reached

Do you believe that lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia can or cannot be reached in the future?	Thinking about the relationship between Canada and Ukraine, do you think Canada is not supportive enough of Ukraine, its support is about right, or it is too supportive of Ukraine?		
	Not supportive enough	About right	Too supportive
Can be reached	47.2%	43.5%	53.2%
Cannot be reached	36.6%	33.7%	29.7%
I don't know / I prefer not to answer	16.2%	22.8%	17.1%
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

# Whether one thinks peace can or cannot be reached has little bearing on whether support for Ukraine is or isn't sufficient

Thinking about the relationship between Canada and Ukraine, do you think Canada is not supportive enough of Ukraine, its support is about right, or it is too supportive of Ukraine?	Do you believe that lasting peace between Ukraine and Russia can or cannot be reached in the future?	
	Can be reached	Cannot be reached
Not supportive enough	16.1%	18.2%
About right	49.2%	55.9%
Too supportive	22.1%	18.0%
No opinion	12.6%	7.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

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