

Canada's Evolving Political Landscape: Hard-Hitting Questions on Recent Pol

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1. In response to pressures on housing, infrastructure, and social services, what specific reduction was announced for the number of international students allowed to enter Canada starting in 2025?

- A) A 5% cut
- B) A 10% cut**
- C) A 15% cut
- D) A 20% cut

2. Bill C-12, which became law in March 2026, introduced significant changes to Canada's immigration system. What is one of the key concerns raised by civil society groups regarding this legislation?

- A) It overly simplifies the process for skilled workers
- B) It makes it harder for people to have their refugee claims fairly assessed**
- C) It includes provisions for faster deportation of overstayers
- D) It expands the pathways for family reunification

3. The "Build Communities Strong Fund," launched in April 2026, aims to accelerate infrastructure projects. What is the total amount allocated to this fund over 10 years?

- A) \$17.2 billion
- B) \$27.8 billion
- C) \$51 billion**
- D) \$6 billion

4. As of March 31, 2026, Canada implemented a fee increase for which essential travel document for the first time since 2013?

- A) Visa
- B) Passport**
- C) Nexus card
- D) Permanent Resident Card

5. The federal government announced reforms to the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants in May 2026. What is a primary goal of these reforms?

- A) To increase the number of licensed immigration consultants
- B) To strengthen the discipline process and increase penalties for misconduct**
- C) To expedite the processing of all immigration applications
- D) To reduce the fees associated with immigration consulting services

6. In 2025, Canada's environmental law landscape saw reforms aimed at accelerating project approvals. Which act introduced a new fast-track framework for projects designated to be in the national interest?

- A) The Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999
- B) The Impact Assessment Act
- C) The Building Canada Act**
- D) The Renewable Energy Projects Act

7. The Canada Health Act Services Policy, effective April 1, 2026, expands coverage to medically necessary services provided by additional regulated health professionals. Which of the following is NOT explicitly mentioned as a profession now included under this expanded interpretation?

- A) Nurse practitioners
- B) Pharmacists
- C) Midwives
- D) Physiotherapists**

8. According to a report detailing the 2025 federal election results, Prime Minister Mark Carney's Liberal Party formed a minority government. How many seats did they secure in the House of Commons?

- A) 165
- B) 169**
- C) 172
- D) 155

9. As of November 2025, Canada's Immigration Levels Plan for 2025-2027 aimed to welcome a specific number of new permanent residents annually. What is this target number?

- A) 500,000
- B) 395,000
- C) 380,000**
- D) 365,000

10. Prime Minister Mark Carney announced in April 2026 the creation of Canada's first sovereign wealth fund, named the Canada Strong Fund. What is the initial seeding amount from the federal government?

- A) C\$10 billion
- B) C\$25 billion**
- C) C\$51 billion
- D) C\$15 billion

11. In February 2026, Global Affairs Canada's Action Plan on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples (2021-2025) was being assessed. What is a key guiding principle for the department's engagement with Indigenous peoples?

- A) Assimilation and integration
- B) Sovereignty and self-governance
- C) Recognition of rights, respect, co-operation, and partnership**
- D) Resource extraction and economic development solely

12. Bill S-5, the Connected Care for Canadians Act, introduced in February 2026, aims to modernize Canada's healthcare system. What is a primary objective of this legislation?

- A) To privatize health data management
- B) To mandate health data interoperability for safer, more efficient care**
- C) To restrict access to personal health information
- D) To phase out publicly funded healthcare services

13. According to a May 2026 analysis of Canada's foreign policy, the international system is described as rigidly bipolar. Which two major global powers are presented as the primary forces in this bipolar system?

- A) Canada and Mexico
- B) The United States and Russia
- C) The United States and the People's Republic of China**
- D) European Union and Japan

14. Regarding the 2025 federal election, the NDP experienced their worst result in history. What was a direct consequence of their diminished seat count?

- A) They formed a coalition government
- B) They gained official party status
- C) They lost official party status for the first time since 1993**
- D) They became the Official Opposition

15. In April 2026, the Government of Canada launched the Build Communities Strong Fund. What is the total allocation for the Community stream within this fund over 10 years?

- A) \$17.2 billion
- B) \$6 billion
- C) \$27.8 billion**
- D) \$51 billion

16. As of January 2026, new employment standards legislation in several provinces came into effect. Which of the following is NOT a type of legislative change mentioned for Alberta, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan?

- A) Increased long-term illness leave
- B) New restrictions on tip collection**
- C) Transparency in the hiring process
- D) Mandatory disclosure of AI in job postings