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Responses

1. Economic Recovery and Growth

Given the current climate of federal and global fiscal restraint, what specific federal measures do you feel are needed for a sustained economic recovery and enhanced economic growth in Canada?

Hike 1% GST, wealth redistribution by taxing company revenues, carbon tax to make sure the environmental debt is well distributed, limit credit card debt by limiting the % charged on balance, bonus & malus tax system on car engines consumption: the more they pollute the more they should be taxed, aim a greener economy and have efficient transit systems installed on most federal bridges, toll bridges everywhere in Canada to put in place user payer system based on number of person per car: the more you have travellers in the car the cheaper it should be to pass, build a high speed passenger rail between Quebec and Windsor, nationalize Petro-Canada & energy companies (if Quebec has done it with hydro electricity, why not Canada...)

2. Job Creation

As Canadian companies face pressures resulting from such factors as uncertainty about the U.S. economic recovery, a sovereign debt crisis in Europe, and competition from a number of developed and developing countries, what specific federal actions do you believe should be taken to promote job creation in Canada, including that which occurs as a result of enhanced internal and international trade?

Protect Unions and stop forcing employees back to work. A strong economy starts with a strong respect of workers and their work.

3. Demographic Change

What specific federal measures do you think should be implemented to help the country address the consequences of, and challenges associated with, the aging of the Canadian population and of skills shortages?

Accept that the Canadian Population will get older and smaller. Consider sustainable population degrowth.

4. Productivity

With labour market challenges arising in part as a result of the aging of Canada's population and an ongoing focus on the actions needed for competitiveness, what specific federal initiatives are needed in order to increase productivity in Canada?

Youth need to have better access to market or else future productivity will be much worse than you seem to describe it today. Focus on YOUTH, stop worrying about aging population, it should be considered an opportunity rather than a problem.

5. Other Challenges

With some Canadian individuals, businesses and communities facing particular challenges at this time, in your view, who is facing the most challenges, what are the challenges that are being faced and what specific federal actions are needed to address these challenges?

Focus on poor people. Poverty is a weapon of mass destruction. Focus on aboriginal people. Is Canada's GDP really taking them into account? Third World is Here. Focus on youth. Something tells me that without a greater opportunity for them, they will leave Canada.