

# Pierre Poilievre for Prime Minister

Since Pierre Poilievre won the Conservative leadership race last year, he is proving he would make a great Prime Minister here in Canada. Actually, long before he won the leadership race. For five years prior, Poilievre served within the Conservative government (opposition) as the shadow minister for finance. In this role, he quickly became known for his bulldog-like perseverance in attempting to get answers. I loved (still do) listening to him grill, [talk, argue, and explain things to voters](#), especially regarding wrong-doings featuring the Liberal government and our [current Prime Minister Justin Trudeau](#).

## No Longer an Affluent Country

Unless you are a high-paid member of the Liberal party, whose spending habits defy reason and transparency, it could be argued that Canada is no longer an affluent country. Perhaps compared to other countries around the world we appear to be but things have changed. Yes, we have our share of millionaires and a few billionaires in our midst, but the average family or citizen is penny-pinching, even struggling to make ends meet. High interest, mortgage, inflation rates, and taxes mean our earned dollars don't go as far as they used to. Pension plans are not adjusted for inflation and investments have tanked, so many seniors who thought they could retire comfortably are now scratching their heads. More money is going out than is coming in; a basic accounting issue that continues to plague us. Couples are choosing to have fewer if any, children because of the astronomical cost of living.

These are just a few of the headlines:

- In Q3 of last year, the Bank of Canada lost money for the first time in its history. Those losses are set to continue.
- According to a new report, the Bank of Canada is set to lose up to \$8.8 billion over the next 2-3 years.
- Trudeau Campaigning Against Alberta Demonstrates His Unfitness For National Leadership
- 'World Stage Trudeau' Bears No Resemblance To The Trudeau Who Governs Canada
- More Canadians Leaving Big Cities As Affordability Crisis Continues
- Bank of Canada has to pay interest too on bonds held resulting in shortfall
- Growing spending on consultants by ballooning public service is the real scandal

Many are putting their hopes in Pierre Poilievre to change this.

The following recent video shows Poilievre talking about the dire straits many Canadians are facing. He then gets into grilling Trudeau for numerous inappropriate contracts awarded to global consulting firm McKinsey over the years:

## **Support from Stephen Harper**

Stephen Harper, former Canadian Prime Minister and leader of the Conservative party supports Poilievre too and would like to see Trudeau ousted from his position.

*I have watched with great concern as the Trudeau Liberals – in partnership with their NDP allies – have weakened our country through rampant inflation, slow growth, billions in new debt, lost job opportunities, an out-of-control housing market, and refusing to fix the institutions that have been failing Canadian families*

*I've seen Pierre in action. He served as my Parliamentary Secretary and was a strong Minister in my government. In recent years, he has been our Party's most vocal and effective critic of the Trudeau Liberals.*

*Pierre is winning the support of Canadians because he's talking about the issues – especially the economic issues – that matter to Canadian families. He is proposing sound, Conservative ideas, but ones adapted for the challenges of today. And, critically, he's bringing a new generation of Canadians into our Party.*

***THAT** is how we win the next election.*

*But, in the days and weeks to come, we can expect Pierre to face a barrage of attacks and criticisms from the Trudeau Liberals, the NDP, hostile voices in the news media, and left-wing special interests determined to derail his positive message of hope and freedom*

*Stephen Harper, former PM*

## **Rex Murphy on the Conservatives of the Past**

In the [National Post](#), columnist Rex Murphy wonders whether Harper is doing Pierre Poilievre a favour by endorsing him or alienating and scaring off on-the-fence voters. This is due to Harper's unpopularity when he was voted out. I for one like(d), respect(ed), and most importantly, trust(ed) the average-looking, non-flashy, down-to-earth, intelligent, qualified-for-the-job Stephen Harper and the fact that (in the words of Murphy) "he thinks, thinks well and deeply before he acts." What a concept!

Unfortunately, things have changed drastically since Harper and the Conservatives were voted out:

*Protests took place that didn't bring down the Emergencies Act. When trying to stamp out bigotry, it was the custom not to fund bigots in the fight against it. The administration and distribution of public money in amounts close to a billion dollars to charity-entrepreneurs was not known, and finally, perhaps most extraordinary, Alberta's oil industry was regarded as a national benefit.*

*Rex Murphy*

## **Immigration Policies**

Harper though had several policies that sunk him, especially his hard stance on immigration, a point Liberals were quick to capitalize on. Liberals plan to increase the arrival of immigrants to 500,000 per year by 2025. Does anyone else feel this is super-excessive, especially in such turbulent times? Poilievre recognizes Harper's prior unpopularity in immigrant-rich communities like Toronto, so has adopted a promise:

*We will maintain the same engagements and commitment for continuous discussions around immigration [including] immigration that is based on family reunification, the recognition of foreign certificates, the scrapping of the English test, as well as the removal of bottlenecks to improving the immigration process,"*

*current Conservative agenda*

The problem is, as I see it anyway, that increased immigration and an economic crisis don't meld well together. Higher cost of living, inflation rate, and housing costs are a nightmare for current citizens, how will immigrants fare? Canadian cities are already packed to the hilt. Although we do have lots of jobs available that immigrants might be more willing to fill than unemployed Canadians.

# World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, Switzerland

The WEF is happening right now. Don't know about the WEF? Check out [this information for specifics](#). Members of the Canadian Liberals love to attend, Conservatives not so much. That's because of the controversy WEF is tainted with:

*It began when an opinion article published in 2016 on the WEF's website – entitled "[Welcome to 2030. I own nothing, have no privacy, and life has never been better](#)" and intended, its author says, as "a discussion about some of the pros and cons of the current technological development" – started getting attention in 2020, after WEF founder and chairman Klaus Schwab wrote his own opinion piece arguing for something he called "[the great reset](#)."....The "great reset" has since morphed into a conspiracy theory claiming that a cabal of global elites is planning to remake society to eliminate private property and impose an authoritarian global government....Last week, Conservative leadership candidate Pierre Poilievre told a crowd of applauding supporters that, as prime minister, he would ban cabinet ministers from attending "that big fancy conference of billionaires with the World Economic Forum" and vowed to remove them from cabinet should they attend.*

*CBC*

Notable Canadians attending WEF in 2023 include Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland, International Trade Minister Mary Ng, and former Bank of Canada and Bank of England Governor Mark Carney.

## Tipping the Scale

The problem with politics and politicians is that no one party

or member can possibly tick all the boxes for voters, although Poilievre comes close. The current dismal economic state of our country, as well as repeated scandals from Liberals, with Justin Trudeau leading the way, are weighing him down.

My scales are tipped, and heavy is not good.