

At a Glance



KEY ISSUES	CONSERVATIVES	LIBERALS
BILL C-51 (ANTI-TERRORISM ACT 2015)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced and passed Bill C-51 which establishes anti-terrorism laws in Canada. Civil liberty groups are deeply concerned about the impact this may have on the rights of Canadians and the lack of oversight. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voted for Bill C-51. However, the Liberals have promised to amend the bill if elected to include a sunset clause to let parts of the Bill to expire and provide more oversight by all political parties.
ISLAMOPHOBIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prime Minister Harper linked Canadian mosques to radicalization towards violent extremism and identified 'Islamicism' as the biggest threat to Canada. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Justin Trudeau compared the Conservative Government's position to anti-Jewish hysteria in the 1930s and 40s.
NIQAB/HIJAB DEBATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2011, introduced a "niqab ban" policy during citizenship ceremonies (which federal courts later overruled and which the government is appealing to the Supreme Court of Canada). The Conservatives also say they would introduce legislation to ban the niqab from citizenship ceremonies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Justin Trudeau accused the Conservative government of abusing their power by restricting the freedom of wearing niqab.
BILL C-24 (AMENDMENTS TO CITIZENSHIP ACT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passed Bill C-24, dual citizens can now have their citizenship revoked for certain criminal offences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opposed Bill C-24 in Parliament and has committed to repealing the "2-tiered" citizenship law if elected.
FOREIGN POLICY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voted to extend the campaign in Iraq and Syria against ISIS which includes airstrikes and providing military personnel. Voted against having Palestine's flag raised at the United Nations. Supported Israel's military campaign on Gaza Introduced Office of Religious Freedom to protect human rights around the world. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voted to extend the campaign in Iraq and Syria against ISIS which includes airstrikes and providing military personnel. Supported Israel's military campaign on Gaza
IMMIGRATION / REFUGEES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announced the Syrian Relief Fund which will match donations made by Canadians up to \$100 million. Reaffirmed commitment to resettling 10,000 Syrian refugees over the next 3 years despite calls from provinces and cities to increase this amount significantly. Prioritize refugee claims for members of 'religious minorities' although vast majority of displaced Syrians identify as Muslim. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committed to accepting 25,000 Syrian refugees if elected. Proposed a non-partisan summit on refugees with party leaders but was declined by the Conservatives and NDP.



NDP	GREEN PARTY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opposed and voted against Bill C-51; vowing to repeal it if elected due to the impact it would have on the charter rights of Canadians. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opposed/Voted against Bill C-51 in Parliament; vowing to repeal it if elected.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thomas Mulcair stated that "<i>it was irresponsible of the prime minister to throw the mosques into his comments. It was a form of Islamophobia and it was wrong.</i>" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thomas Mulcair defended the right of women to wear the niqab at citizenship ceremonies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elizabeth May stated that the debate over the niqab creates a '<i>hostile, emotionally charged and difficult environment</i>' that makes anti-radicalization work more difficult.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opposed Bill C-24 in Parliament. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opposed Bill C-24 in Parliament.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voted against extending the campaign in Iraq and Syria against ISIS. Cracking down on pro-Palestine sentiment in the party. Supported the raising of Palestine's flag at the United Nations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Voted against extending the campaign in Iraq and Syria against ISIS. Plan to boost humanitarian aid in the region if elected.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demanded that Canada accept 10,000 Syrian refugees by the end of 2015. Accused government of discrimination in screening refugee claimants by prioritizing religious minorities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urged the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration to take action by granting temporary visas and increasing aid for Syrian refugees.

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