

Please Note

The content in this presentation will likely challenge your current view of the world.

Your subconscious – what the Freudians called the unconscious - is like a big archive where your every experience is stored. All images, sounds, scents, tastes, thoughts, feelings and beliefs are stored there. Your subconscious is not only an archive. It also works like a control panel. Ideas that are inconsistent with your subconscious system, are “not believed” and rejected, and therefore not considered. Your subconscious, in effect, has a “veto power” over new ideas. You may not realize that your subconscious system is rejecting new inputs, because they do not conform to the beliefs that are stored in the subconscious.

Beliefs are powerful and people get very attached to them through their subconscious. These beliefs become part of the image that people subconsciously hold of themselves. When people desire change, the energy flow of positive thinking is obstructed, “vetoed” or stopped by the subconscious mind. You may desire, say or think something, but deep down, in your subconscious, you believe the contrary, or believe it is “not possible” or “not feasible” or “not realistic”.

The key is to bypass the rational mind speaking for the subconscious. To make an impression on the subconscious, one needs to reach a relaxed state where new information can be more readily examined, with minimal interference from the rational mind/subconscious. To effectively evaluate the following information, try to select a time and place where you will not be interrupted by people, phone calls, text messages, and various social media. There is a lot of information here, that will likely take you at least 5 - 10 sessions to properly evaluate. For example, slide 3 alone, will take 3 hours to digest the material. I urge you to seriously consider at least the first 5 slides. If, at that stage, the content does not resonate with you, I want to thank you for taking the time and making an effort, and wish you all the best in the future.

Almost every underline in this presentation is a hyperlink that references additional information from different perspectives. This is an ideal way to assimilate content, as the image gradually becomes more detailed.

Rise Up Canada!

Restoring Our Democracy Together for the Benefit of All Citizens

Since 1974 (40 years), our democracy and our standard of living have been in a steady decline, to the benefit of the 1% (the banking cartel, corporations and the wealthiest Canadians). Since 2006, and especially since 2011, Conservative governments have accelerated the dismantling of our social infrastructure, and our democratic rights. Now, in 2014, there are very few Canadians (about 1%) that can say they are better off today than 10, 20 or 30 years ago.

This sad state of affairs can be reduced to 2 fundamental issues:

- 1- Canada's loss of sovereignty over our financial affairs, usurped by the international banking cartel.
- 2- Canada's outdated FPTP electoral system, which does not reflect Canadians' political needs and wishes.

This presentation will explain how and why we have come to this intolerable state. More important, Canadians will learn how we can assertively and democratically take back control of our country, and begin to rebuild Canada to what it once was:

A Canada with a vibrant democracy, with justice and equality for all Canadians.

A progressive, social Canada beloved around the world for our policies, transparency and inclusiveness.

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Throughout this presentation, you will encounter over 160 links which will provide additional relevant information on the subject being discussed at that particular point. Almost all underlines are hyperlinks.

Rising Inequality, Declining Democracy

(A Comprehensive & Insightful History of Our Global Community Over the Past 70 Years)

Ed Broadbent: Restoring Democracy

Must watch: [Inequality in America 6:25](#) & [Global Inequality 3:50](#) [What the Economic Crisis Really Means 12:24](#)

The movie below is an excellent presentation of the issues at hand.

[Oh Canada Movie - Our Bought And Sold Out Land 2 hrs](#) **Must watch** Comprehensive & humorous, with a revealing look at our politicians

Oh Canada Movie Review Dan Mathews does an excellent job of presenting the various elements contributing to the selling out of Canada. He makes a detailed and relatively complex subject easy to understand, especially for a viewer's initial exposure to the subject matter. For that alone, we all owe Dan a big shoutout! His disarming interview style is perfect, allowing the various politicians to show us who they really are. Just remember that image the next time you vote.

Obviously Dan is a pretty smart guy, to put together such an effective presentation with just the right amount of humour and irony. It is surprising to me that Dan would fall for the oldest trick in the book, namely disengaging the voter. This is exactly how unpopular governments hold on to power. Harper won his 2011 majority with 25% of all eligible votes, because there are many people just like Dan, completely disgusted with the political process, the lies and thievery.

I almost didn't vote in the last federal election, until I considered that there are hundreds of people that die every day in their struggle just to get the right to vote. We owe our children, our grandchildren and the rest of humanity at least this much, that we don't trivialize one of our most sacred rights.

The Greatest Crime In Canadian History

The Canadian Government Needlessly Pays over \$80,000,000 Per Day
(80 million dollars) **In Interest on the National Debt**

Between 1975 and 2010, the Canadian Government paid over \$1,100,000,000,000
(that's 1 Trillion, 100 Billion dollars) **in interest on the federal debt** to its lenders,
and the debt (over \$600 billion) is still owed & growing!
(it is mathematically impossible to ever retire this debt)

or

The Canadian Government Could Borrow Directly From The Bank of Canada
(100% owned by Canada's Citizens, Not the Government, the Citizens!)

Interest Free!!!

(plus near zero cost loan administration fees)

Key Neglected Tool

Monetary Policy Change

Many links in this presentation are courtesy of the CCPA . The Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives is a non-profit, independent, non-partisan research institute. **If you want to know what is really going in Canada (and more), the CCPA Monitor is essential reading.** I cannot think of any organization more deserving of your support. You can receive the Monitor for just \$35/year (10 issues). If you can't afford \$35, the Monitor has recently become available (at no cost) online in its entirety. <http://www.policyalternatives.ca>

Goods and/or services that 1 day's saved interest could purchase.

For example, \$80 million (one day's interest saved on the federal debt) could purchase:

Number	Entity
24	MRI Units
26	Small hospitals
270	Doctors
1,240	Nurses
88	Community centres
6	High schools
5,315	Students funded to attend university (tuition; room & board)
Source: The Qualicum Institute http://qualicuminstitute.ca	

Since 1974, our governments continue to insist that they have no money to spend on public infrastructure. Why anyone would ever vote for the cons or the libs again, is beyond comprehension.

The highest responsibility of any sovereign state is control of the currency and credit.

This control is exerted through the central bank of a nation, in our case, the Bank of Canada (BoC). The government, through policy implementation, can emphasize any aspect of a nation. This could be full employment, expanding social services, promoting technological innovation, focussing on education or a combination of any or all of these areas, as well as many others.

Between 1938-1974, this is exactly how Canada functioned, becoming the most admired nation in the world. The government, running huge surpluses, instituted many social services.

[Harper: Loss of Sovereignty a Reality \(2010\) 1:35](#) I believe there are grounds to investigate Mr Harper for crimes of treason.

[Understanding Money : John H. Hotson](#) A Canadian Professor of Economics tells it like it is

[Imposing Austerity on the World's Most Resource-rich Country \(that's us\)](#)

[Bank "Bail-In" \(no safe place for your money\) legislation now in place to seize deposits](#)

[Depositors Beware](#)

[North Dakota's Economic "Miracle" the only other public bank in North America](#)

[Banking - the Greatest Scam on Earth 9:36](#)

[Latin America Banking Revolution](#) resistance to the banking scam is alive and growing

No legislation is required to restore the BoC to its role as lender of first resort to Canadian government (federal, provincial and municipal). A simple majority vote in parliament is all that is required. It is up to the citizens of Canada **to force** the government to reinstate the BoC.

[COMER - Committee on Monetary and Economic Reform](#) did exactly that in December, 2011. [Aug, 2013](#) [Jun, 2014](#) **[We Won!!!](#)**

Below, is a brilliant summation of the problem **and** a solution.

[Honourable Paul Hellyer:](#)

[End tax and financial slavery now 44:27](#)

[Global Hope: A Plan to End the Worldwide Financial Crises](#) (text version of the above video)

Please view [BoC & Comer](#) post for latest news & developments on this subject, and other links of interest

Canada's Financial History

1867 - 1938 - Canada's financial activities were funded by Canadian chartered banks (who printed their own currencies) and by British banks. With the nationalization of the Bank of Canada, the chartered banks were given until 1945 to remove their currencies from circulation.

1938 - Bank of Canada (founded in 1935) nationalized. All 100,000 shares are under the control of the Minister of Finance on behalf of all Canadian citizens, the owners of the Bank of Canada.

"Until the control of the issue of currency and credit is restored to the government and recognized as its most sacred responsibility, all talk of the sovereignty of Parliament and of democracy is idle and futile ... Once a Nation parts with control of its credit, it matters not who makes the nation's laws. ... Usury once in control will wreck any nation."

William Lyon Mackenzie King (1884 - 1950) Considered to be Canada's greatest Prime Minister.

1938 - 1974 (Canada's Golden Age) - Canada produced 4,000 aircraft a year and was 4th among all allies in war production. Canada built & managed the 3rd largest navy in the world. More than 1 million men served in the war. Numerous benefit programs were created to assist veterans in their return to civilian life:

Veterans' Land Act - helped Veterans buy land for homes or businesses. Approximately 33,000 Veterans obtained land for farming through this program.

Department of Veterans Affairs - provided vocational training for approximately 80,000 Veterans and helped rehabilitate those who had been wounded.

Veterans Rehabilitation Act - 54,000 Veterans went to university.

Family Allowances - 1944 - tax free monthly payments for each child in a family.

Old Age Pension - 1951 - taxable monthly payments: no eligibility requirements.

Universal Medicare - 1957 - best health care system in the world at the time.

Medical Care Act - 1966 - free access to physician services.

Trans-Canada Highway - 1950 - world's longest national road

St Lawrence Seaway - 1959 - world's longest deepwater inland waterway, including the Welland Canal.

Avro Arrow Canada CF-105 - 1958 - the world's most advanced jet fighter by a wide margin.

Canada's Financial History (cont'd)

1974 - From 1867 - 1974, a period of 108 years, Canada's total debt was a mere \$21.6 billion. (see chart, slide 10) During our Golden Age (1938 - 1974) Canada's social spending was largely funded by the Bank of Canada, interest free. All the projects listed on the previous slide (and others), were introduced because the government had large amounts of surplus funds. Canada was truly the best country in the world.

In 1974, the G10 countries (of which Canada was a member) were pressured by Swiss based BIS (Bank for International Settlements - the central bank to nations' central banks) to fund their activities through interest bearing loans provided by commercial lenders, supposedly to "maintain the stability (inflation) of our currency". Even a fool knows that inflation is caused by too much money chasing too few goods, not by who creates the money. **This is the point where the lies and thievery began, and its all been downhill ever since.**

1993 - By 1992, Canada's accumulated net debt had risen to \$423 billion! The 1993 Auditor General of Canada report (section 5.41) states: *"Of this, \$37 billion represents the accumulated shortfall in meeting the cost of government programs since Confederation. The remainder, \$386 billion, represents the amount the government has borrowed to service the debt created by previous annual shortfalls."* **The interest accumulated in just 18 years represented 91.3% of Canada's total net debt!**

1975 - 2010 - The Canadian Government paid over **1 trillion, 100 billion dollars (\$1,100,000,000,000)** in interest on the federal debt to its commercial lenders, and the debt is still outstanding and continues to grow. **It is mathematically impossible to ever retire this debt**, under the current arrangement of funding government deficits through commercial loans. (see Exponential Growth, Slide 17)

2008 - The **worldwide financial crisis** evaporated trillions of dollars of consumer investments and destroyed the lives of millions of people around the world. To date, **not one single person connected to this travesty has gone to jail**. In fact, most of the corporations who caused this crisis are even more profitable today than before the financial crisis. How could this be?

Governments work exclusively for banking and corporate interests, not for their citizens.

Canada's Financial History (cont'd)

2009 - Canada's Secret Bank Bailout “We have, I think, the only banks in the western world where we’re not looking at bailouts or anything like that,” Prime Minister Stephen Harper said on CNBC on February 23, 2009. “We’ve gone in and done some market transactions with our banks to improve liquidity.” <http://video.cnn.com/gallery/?video=1043703424> (this video mysteriously disappeared recently).

Hmmm, 42 billion dollars worth of “market transactions (that just happen to equal or exceed the banks’ total value? The remaining 72 billion dollars came after this statement was made.) to improve liquidity”? 3 of the 5 banks received 100% or more of their total worth in government funds. If that’s not a bailout, what would you call it? **Once a liar, always a liar.**

Canada's Secret Bank Bailout			
Bank	Peak Support Date	Peak Support Value	% of Bank's Value at Peak
TD Bank	September 09	\$26,000,000,000	69%
Royal Bank	March 09	\$25,000,000,000	63%
Scotiabank	January 09	\$25,000,000,000	100%
CIBC	March 09	\$21,000,000,000	148%
BMO	January 09	\$17,000,000,000	118%
	Total	\$114,000,000,000	
Source: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives		www.policyalternatives.ca	

[Complete Report](#)

[Comprehensive Video by the report's author \(18 min\)](#)

A perfect example of the type of original, incisive research produced by the **CCPA**. Our democracy depends on it. Please support them. <http://www.policyalternatives.ca>

Canada's Financial History (cont'd)

[FTAs \(Free Trade Agreements\)](#) FTAs do very little for trade enhancement. Their main purpose is to ease international regulations for corporations, to increase their profitability. Canada was the first country to enter (get suckered) into such an agreement in 1989 (FTA), and then committed the same blunder again in 1994 (NAFTA).

The average size of the 60 largest corporations on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX 60) compared to all firms registered on the TSX, had increased slightly from 5 to 6 times the average size of all firms between 1950 and 1990 (40 years). Thereafter, the multiple for the TSX 60 climbed to 23 times the average size all firms on the TSX by 2010 (20 years).

While TSX 60 companies' share of the total revenue of all TSX companies remained the same before and after NAFTA—hovering just under 20%—their share of TSX company profits rose to 60% by 2010.

[FTA at 25, NAFTA at 20](#)

[CETA \(Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement\)](#)

[CKTA \(Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement\)](#)

[TPP \(Trans-Pacific Partnership\)](#) [TPP Global Corporate Takeover 6:30](#)

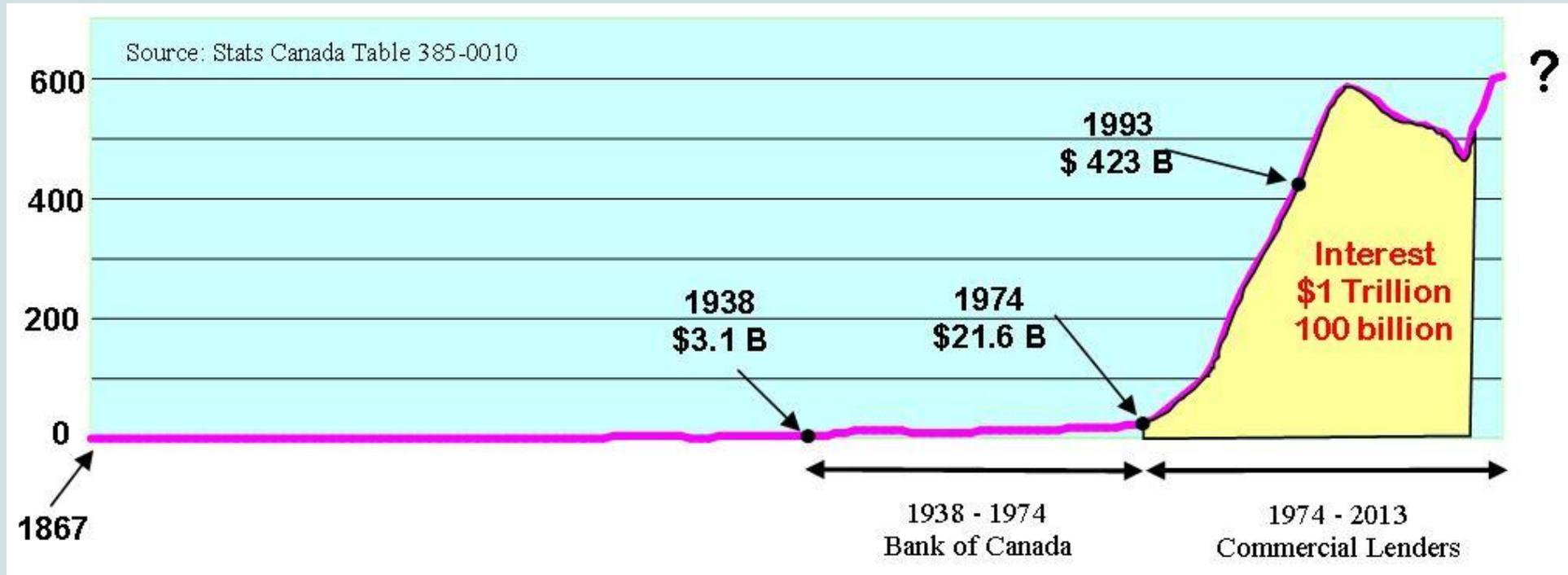
[TISA Trade in Services Agreement](#)

Since gaining a majority in 2011, the Harper Government's assault on our democracy has been relentless, growing exponentially. The abuses are endless and manage to penetrate even the most obscure departments and services. Trying to keep up with this government's nefarious activities is a full time job in itself.

Luckily, someone is doing exactly that, the [Harper Watch Blog](#) is an exhaustive compilation of the Harper Government's Assault on our Democracy. Items are grouped by the week with a brief incisive comment on each item. Based on experience, and the sheer volume of material available, it is best viewed in weekly segments. **[One of the best sites on the web investigating this subject.](#)**

Canada's Net Deficit 1867 - 2013 (in billions \$)

(graphic representation of the previous 4 pages)



1938 - 1974 (36 years) - national debt increased by **597%**

1975 - 2011 (36 years) - national debt increased by **2,446%**

Conspiracy Theories

I have never been a fan of conspiracy theories, realizing that most of the proponents of these theories came across as raving lunatics. During the course of countless hours of research, I kept coming up with the same names, initiatives and connections. (see Oh Canada Movie, at approximately 55 min). I now believe, not a 100%, that such a conspiracy is likely and has been in play for the last 300 years or so, and responsible for the precipitous decline in the state of our planet. It also appears that we are approaching the end game of this conspiracy.

Whether a conspiracy exists or not, does not alter the urgent need to restore Canada to a true democracy. Americans' strong sense of individual liberty is also creating significant resistance in the US. Successful outcomes in one or both countries will likely inspire other sovereign states to follow our example, breaking the momentum of the neoliberal movement. There are literally hundreds of sites dealing with this subject matter. Here's a few of the better ones.

[Deployment of US Troops inside Canada](#)

[Public Funds At Risk In The Big Banks \(Bail-Ins\) 12:41](#) (this also applies to [Canadian banks](#) **and** [credit unions](#))

[Bilderberg: The Turning Point 50:26](#)

[Bilderberg & Canadians](#)

[Justin Trudeau: "I'm not going to Bilderberg any time soon" @ 2:10](#)

[The Tower of Basel: Secretive Plans for the Issuing of a Global Currency](#)

[The True Story of the Bilderberg Group \(Book Review\)](#)

[David Rockefeller - Guilty & proud of it! \(long time close friend of Paul Desmarais Sr\)](#)

[David Rockefeller - Bilderberg Quote](#)

[The New World Order of the 21st Century 10:25](#)

[Council on Foreign Relations \(CFR\)](#) apparently the real power behind the U S gov't

[Trilateral Commission](#) (created to deflect too much attention on the CFR) a detailed history of both organizations

Ongoing Developments on this subject can be viewed in the post:

Big Bang 2015.75

Canada Today (source:CCPA mostly)

[Hennessy's Index](#) (A Number Is Never Just A Number)

[Youth](#) [Generation Screwed](#) [Generation Nixed: Why Canada's youth are losing hope for the future](#)
[A Millennial Asks: Are We Screwed?](#) The Tye (multipart series) **excellent - must read**

[Skills Gap by the Numbers](#)

[What The Federal Government Could Do If It Really Wanted To Reduce Youth Unemployment](#)
[Youth unemployment to cost Canadian economy \\$23 billion](#)
[Soaring tuition costs](#)

[I'm making \\$21 an hour at McDonald's. Why aren't you?](#)

- * 86% of all Canadian families would gain no benefit whatsoever from [income splitting](#).
- * [Income Splitting in Canada: Inequality by Design](#)
- * \$11.8 billion in estimated federal government [spending cuts](#) by 2014-15, due to the last three austerity budgets.
- * 90,000 estimated [job losses](#) in both the public and private sector by 2014-15, as a result of a succession of federal government austerity budget decisions.
- * 60% of [new jobs](#) since the bottom of the recession have been temporary rather than permanent.
- * [temporary foreign workers](#) in Canada have tripled in the last 8 years to a total of 338,000 at the end of 2012. "Canada's temporary work force is almost as large as New Brunswick's entire employed labour force." [more](#)

[Canada's Tax Burden Shifting From Corporations Onto People](#) **must read**

[End of Medicare?](#)

[Inequality At Its Worst](#)

[Harper Government's War on Science](#)

[Conservatives spend over \\$100 million of OUR money promoting THEIR agenda](#)

[Why postal banking may save Canada Post](#) [More](#)

Canada Today (source:CCPA mostly)

Global Wealth (in)Equality is: 300 richest = 3,000,000,000 poorest

in **1999**, the wealth (**\$120 billion**) of the richest 86 Canadian based individuals or families = the wealth of the poorest **10.1 million** Canadians

in **2012**, the wealth (**\$180 billion**) of the richest 86 Canadian based individuals or families = the wealth of the poorest **11.4 million** Canadians

the wealth of the 86 richest (**0.002%** of the population) = the wealth of the bottom **34%** of the population

top 1% of families paid a lower total tax rate than the bottom 10% of families 2005 (and its more unequal today)

Food Banks - 1st in 1981, 450 in 1987, 700 in 2008, 1,100 in 2013 - about 750,000 served monthly over the past 10 years

Food for Thought

150,000 NGOs Doing Government's Work

How Tories Bully Charities and Abuse Power

Closing Canada's Gender Gap

Indigenous children trail the rest of Canada's children

Income Gap Between Aboriginal Peoples and the Rest of Canada

Aboriginal Electoral Participation in Canada (Nov/11)

\$14 billion of spending cuts come into effect this fiscal year. (2014-2015)

RRSPs Not Cost Effective

Benefit cuts to disabled veterans

OECD = Organization for Economic Co-operation & Development

OECD Canadian Social Indicators 2014

Environmental Protection - 24th out of 25 OECD countries

Early Childhood Services - Canada last of 25 OECD countries

Doctors/Capita - 20% fewer than average of other OECD countries

Canada is the only wealthy country with a universal health-care system and **no national pharmacare plan**

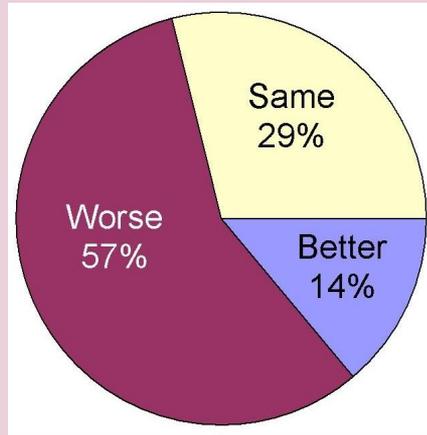
Pollution Reduction - 126th out of 141 countries

Canada Today (source:CCPA mostly)

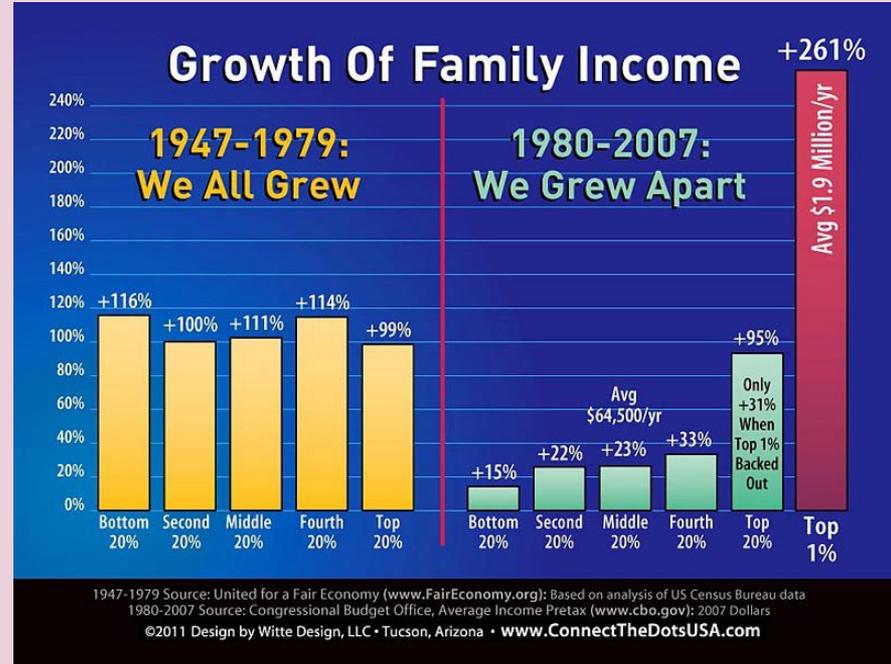
Median Family Income - (adjusted for inflation) 1980 - 2011 up 2.37% (wow! that's .0008% per year!)

median means "exactly in the middle". This figure is generally considered to be an accurate representation of the "standard of living" of a society.

Outrageous Fortune - Documenting Canada's Wealth Gap (full Report)



The 2013 survey asking Canadian citizens what kind of legacy they expect to leave to their children, yielded the results above. This is the first result in the history of this survey where the majority expectation is worse, rather than the same or better.



These are American figures, but the ratios would be roughly the same in Canada

Government & Business Today (most figures from CCPA)

[Hennessy's Index](#) [Tax Cuts 101](#) [What did Corporate Tax Cuts Deliver? 2:23](#)

Bloomberg survey of TSX60 (2007 - 2011) Income tax paid: 13 paid less than 5%, over 30 paid less than 10%, only 4 paid more than 25%

[Tax Evasion](#) - Canada loses up to \$80 billion a year. Tax havens are a major part of the problem.

[Which large companies pay the least tax?](#)

[Canadian money stashed in 10 offshore tax havens hit \\$170 billion in 2013, a record high](#)

[What Happens When Corporate Tax Bandits Panic?](#)

[Stock Options: The Billion Dollar Tax Loophole](#)

[Canada's new role as tax haven for the rich](#)

[Five reasons to stop the corporate tax cut 2:30](#)

\$745 billion in lost tax revenue due to corporate tax cuts in past 10 years.

Big 5 Banks - avoided \$16 billion in federal & provincial taxes through offshore affiliates (tax Havens) between 1991- 2003. Canadian Corporations & individuals are illegally sheltering \$88 - 500 billion in offshore tax havens. Canada loses up to \$10 billion a year on the tax haven loophole alone. The Canada Revenue Agency has lost 3,000 employees in cutbacks, more than any other government agency.

What does that say to current & potential tax cheats? [Corporate Tax Avoidance](#) (Audio 25 min) excellent

Foreign Ownership - since the mid-1980s, over 14,000 Canadian companies have been taken over by foreign ownership.

[CEO vs Average Pay](#) (top 100 CEOs earn 171 / 194 times more than the average Canadian man / woman)

[Corporate Power, Government Subsistence](#)

“You won’t recognize Canada when I get through with it.” - Stephen Harper (2006)

[PressProgress](#), a project of the [Broadbent Institute](#) are 2 of the best sites I have found dealing with Harper’s anti-democracy. Their content is terrific, original and no holds barred. **Here’s a partial list of just their April entries.** It boggles the mind that a million Canadians haven’t yet stormed Parliament Hill and rode these so-called parliamentarians out of town on a rail.

Check out their content and please support them if you can.

[10 things you need to know about Flaherty's *real* record:](#)

[OECD to Canada: Tax the rich to close fast-growing income gap](#)

[Tax loophole lets Potash CEO avoid tax on \\$300 million in stock options](#)

[Corporate Canada's own numbers show they don't pay their fair share of taxes](#)

[Generation screwed: this is how many hours it takes to pay tuition](#)

[Conservatives vote for lower wages, crappy benefits](#)

[Vengeance? Former Stephen Harper advisor says "bad blood" behind Elections Canada attack](#)

[Conservatives "at peace" with unanimous opposition to Unfair Elections Act](#)

[Why a world-renowned climate scientist sees hope in the tar sands](#)

[Fraser Institute marks Earth Day by publishing its dumbest report yet](#)

[Why would Jason Kenney grant temporary foreign worker permits for McDonald's?](#)

[Watch an aboriginal woman school a Conservative MP about his privilege](#)

[The ultimate list of quotes on why the Unfair Elections Act is dangerous](#)

[You won't believe what Pierre Poilievre said about the Unfair Elections Act](#)

[CPP Investment Board to Fraser Institute: you're wrong about public pension](#)

[Harper government "accelerated" unemployment by expanding TFW Program: study](#)

[Public servants warned Jason Kenney of "obvious data gaps" in jobs stats: internal docs](#)

[CBC paves way for more Rex Murphy Big Oil pep rallies](#)

[One in four new jobs went to temporary foreign workers](#)

[Kinder Morgan says oil spills can be good for the economy](#)

[UN agency flags faulty Fraser Institute Index](#)

[Nearly 19 workers will die on the job this week: stats ***](#)

[Big Oil's bad week](#)

[Leave scrubbing hotel toilets to TFWs: CFIB](#)

[10 reasons Rob Anders is Canada's worst MP](#)

[Charting CBC cuts isn't pretty ***](#)

[Canada's mammoth wealth gap in 3 easy charts ***](#)

[Is Pierre Poilievre helping Pierre Poutine?](#)

[Canada's CEOs pad the numbers in tax report](#)

[No joke: string of Tory cuts kick in on April 1 ***](#)

Mainstream Media

[Canada: "one of the most concentrated telecom, media, and Internet markets in the world"](#)

[Diversity of media ownership literally non-existent in Canada](#)

[OpenMedia.ca](#) Canada's own award winning media advocacy organization

The effects of media concentration are subtle and very effective. If you hear or see the same thing (no matter how innocuous) over and over again, you eventually believe this to be the truth. For example: the "left leaning _____". Corporate media only tells you what they want you to know.

[Beginning Of The End For The MSM 2.0! 6:11](#) what you don't need to know

The Harper gov't understands the effectiveness of advertising, spending \$100s of millions of our money telling us how effective they are.

[Conservatives overspent government ad budgets by 37%](#)

[Oil and gas ad campaign cost feds \\$40M at home and abroad](#)

[Federal Ads Aim To Convince Canadians of Progress Where None Has Been Made](#)

Predatory Capitalism = Exponential Growth = Unsustainable

[Chris Martenson - Peak Prosperity: Crash Course \(2014\) 56:24](#) (available in other languages)

“The greatest shortcoming of the human race is our inability to understand the exponential function.”

[Dr Albert A Bartlett - Arithmetic, Population and Energy \(2002\) 75:00](#) **must watch** (over 5 million views)

(How to detect political, expert & media bullshit)

Rise Up Canada!

I trust that the preceding material has provided you with a clear image of Canada's past and present political, economic and social profile, as well as an idea of where we are headed in the future. The question is:

What are WE going to do about it?

Over the past 3,000 years EVERY society, nation and empire has failed. NO EXCEPTIONS. WHY? Human Nature. Humans cannot resist the lure of power and greed, and this will NEVER change. Today, in the 21st century, we as a species, understand this very well, and we have the technology to design a system that will constrain this urge in humans who are in positions to potentially abuse others. We can do this now, or we can wait (another human trait) until conditions become completely intolerable, and it will get worse, **guaranteed!** If we choose to wait, our personal cost will be much higher, because then we are talking about **REVOLUTION** and blood in the streets. Does this sound overly dramatic? A study of history will show that this sequence of events has happened over and over again. So it's our choice, as individuals and as a species, now or later. Another human trait is to "pass the buck" (somebody else will do it). Sorry, the stakes are too high, NOBODY gets off the hook, except the top 1% of the global population who are the only ones who benefit from the current state of affairs.

Nothing will change until a majority of Canadians organize together

Changing the Electoral System

ALL the wrongs mentioned up to this point can be blamed 100% on the liberals & conservatives, simply because over the past 148 years, that is the only elected government that we have ever had. This is complete **INSANITY!** How can we entrust our futures to a 148 year old system that remains largely unchanged since its inception. Until we get rid of the FPTP electoral system, that is the only type of elected government we will EVER have. Of all modern major states, only 3 have FPTP systems, the USA, United Kingdom & Canada. Coincidentally, the political process in these 3 countries is rotten to the core and beyond salvation. There is no reason on earth to EVER vote for anyone with the word "liberal" or "conservative" connected to their name, at any level of governance.

The highest priority is to prevent a majority parliament, which most people believe to be the best outcome in an election. Who says so? Usually a self serving politician. Think about it. A majority in parliament allows a political party to pursue their singular agenda, RARELY benefitting a majority of citizens. **Our current majority parliament is the strongest argument one could ever have against political majorities.** Coalition parliaments are forced to cooperate to pass legislation. Bills that do not benefit a majority of Canadians have little chance of passing into law. The only way to introduce a PR electoral system is through a coalition government.

Bank of Canada

Reinstatement of the BoC to its constitutional role as lender of first resort to government (federal, provincial and municipal), will never happen under a con or lib majority, since both parties, IMO, are under direct control of the banking cartel. On January 26, 2015, the 2011 COMER lawsuit to reinstate the BoC was WON!!! Several appeals by the Conservatives were all thrown out of court. This truly groundbreaking news was covered world-wide. So, how come you have likely never heard of this. Simply, because not a single word of this was covered by the Canadian pressstitute media. Again, only a coalition government has any hope of reinstating the BoC to its intended role.

So, how do we achieve a coalition government? Let's take a look at our electoral process.

Must Watch [Our Electoral System Is Obsolete & Undemocratic 8:00](#)

[Elections & Fraud](#)

First Past the Post vs Proportional Representation

FPTP vs PR	Cons	NDP	Lib	Bloc	Green	Ind
% of Total Vote	40%	31%	19%	6%	4%	0.5%
% of Parliamentary Seats	54%	33%	11%	1%	0.33%	0
# of Parliamentary Seats	166	103	34	4	1	0
Seats Under PR system	122	94	58	18	12	4

In the 2011 federal election, only 61.4% of all eligible voters turned out to vote, the 2nd lowest turnout in Canadian history (an indication of how disgusted the average Canadian was with our political system). Because of our obsolete electoral system (FPTP), the conservatives received 39.6% of the total votes cast (popular vote), BUT, won 54% of the seats (166 of 308). In effect, the conservatives won a majority government with less than 25% of all eligible votes!

Under a PR electoral system, the cons would not have won a majority, and the ndp & libs would have fallen short of forming a coalition. Parliamentary seats would have been distributed in a more equitable fashion. This would have forced all MPs to work cooperatively to pass legislation into law. **Instead, we ended up with the most dictatorial parliament in Canadian history.**

The Youth Vote (Every vote can make a difference 2:05)

Most numbers are approximate because the government uses a mix of “estimated” and actual figures to calculate ratios. In general, the gov’t makes it as difficult as possible to analyze the data they choose to release. The more revealing or incriminatory data is not available to citizens. (See Canada’s Secret Bank Bailout, slide 9, as a perfect example of data suppression.)

The 2011 federal election had the 2nd lowest turnout since 1945 (2008 was lower). From the table on the right, we can see that the 18 - 24 age group had the lowest turnout (38.6%) of any group. There are 1.83 (2.98 - 1.15) million potential voters in this group who did not exercise their right to vote, and there’s 2.29 (4.17 - 1.88) million in the 25 - 34 group. **That’s 4.12 million youth votes (39%) of all eligible voters who did not vote.** Notice in the 18 - 24 group, that there are approximately 670,000 (2.98 - 2.31) youths that **didn’t even bother to register** (22% of 18 - 24 group).

10.56 million of all eligible voters (41.6%) did not vote, distributed evenly across the country, indicating an extreme disengagement of Canadian voters with the political process

Canada 2011 Election - Voters By Age				
		Youth		Youth as
in millions	all	18 - 24	25 - 34	% of Total
total eligible voters	25.38	2.98	4.17	28.2
registered voters	24.26	2.31	3.85	25.4
voted	14.82	1.15	1.88	20.4
ratio voted %	58.4%	38.6%	45.1%	
eligible didn't vote	10.56	1.83	2.29	39.0
if youth voted at the same ratio (58.4%) as all				
voted @ 58.4%	14.82	1.74	2.44	28.2
additional votes	0	590,000	560,000	1,150,000

Higher youth turnout could change tone, outcome of elections (Mar 22, 2014)

What if 58.4% of young people had voted? (same ratio as older voters) **“Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservatives likely wouldn't have won a majority.”** states [Nik Nanos](#), working with Kevin Page, the former parliamentary budget officer, on a project aimed at engaging youth in the political process. By not effectively engaging the youth vote, we ended up with the worst gov't in Canadian history.

The most common excuse cited by non-voters, **"My vote won't make any difference."** is a copout. We, **every one of us**, are responsible for the current state of our democracy. The recent increase in support for the anti-austerity movement indicates that Canadians have reached the breaking point, and are mad as hell. Let's show these so called “politicians” there's a price to pay for screwing over 90% of Canadians.

Achieving Coalition

Who stands to gain the most from the anti-austerity movement (AAM)? 99% of Canadians would be better off, but the greatest beneficiaries, by far, would be Canada's youth...if only because you will be around longer than the rest of us, to enjoy a kinder and gentler Canada. This observation is already confirmed by the supporters of the AAM, overwhelmingly young Canadians.

[The Crisis in Democracy 37:00](#) (Oct , 2013) Time for an end to elected dictatorship

So I challenge Canada's youth to take up the torch. Learn how our country works now and how it could work in the future. Then pass that knowledge on:

First, to other participants in the AAM, such as public service employees, labour unions, educators, retirees, and the list goes on.

Second, inform your families, your social groups, your neighbours, your co-workers and so on.

You have now been instrumental in creating a coalition of like minded Canadians. Congratulations!

For younger readers and/or individuals who are **nervous about presenting** this information to others, here are a few tips:

- 1- Learn the content well and understand it. if you are having problems, get together with close friends or family, and discuss. Two or more heads are always better than one.
- 2- This content is more complex and detailed than most people are used to hearing. In the beginning, never present to more than 1 person at a time. Make sure they are interested and that there are no potential distractions in the surrounding area that you are presenting in. Every few minutes, ask your listener if everything is clear, and if they have any questions.
- 3- You will be amazed at how quickly you become comfortable presenting this material in a smooth and confident manner.
- 4- Having good presentation skills will serve you well for the rest of your life, and will bring you enormous satisfaction.

You've probably heard something like this before: "if you want to lose friends or start an argument, discuss politics or religion". Truer words have rarely been spoken. When communicating this information, it is essential to remember that in almost all cases, we are challenging the listener's most fundamental beliefs. The best advice on how to communicate this type of sensitive material effectively is offered by [Foster & Kimberly Gamble 9:50](#) (direct heir to the Proctor & Gamble fortune and founder of the [THRIVE 2:12:00](#) Movement. The Thrive presentation is available in 25 languages, and has been viewed over 20 million times.

[Matt Price](#), a consultant and blogger with Huffington Post, has an interest in this area. His entry, [How Canadian Progressives Can Win](#) is essential reading and I reproduce the key strategy here.

New Organizing Institute Executive Director Ethan Roeder describes their approach:

"There's a name for the combination of evidence-driven, effective advocacy and relationship-based organizing: unbeatable. This is not a strategic advantage that can be erased with cash; not a tool that can be eclipsed by a bigger, badder tool; not a secret gem of knowledge that can be discovered by an opponent. It's a culture. It's our culture. It's how we win."

[Ralph Nader](#), one of the greatest Americans in history, has just completed a book: **Unstoppable: The Emerging Left-Right Alliance to Dismantle the Corporate State**. You can listen to Mr Nader discuss his book [here](#) 30:00 July, 2014

American and Canadian societies are similar. Everything that Nader states, should apply equally in Canada. Our task is immensely simplified in that we have only 2 issues to resolve: a **trillion dollar crime** and **electoral reform** to better represent the electorate. I personally don't know anyone who wouldn't support both these proposals, and you probably don't know anyone either.

Ralph Nader observes **"if we have just 1% of the population as dedicated supporters of an issue, success is assured"**.

Ralph Nader's Open Letter to P.M. Harper: [What's Happening to Canada? Feb 18, 2015](#)

We are in the process of creating a very powerful tool: a coalition of informed and committed voters. Like any tool, to gain maximum results, the tool must be used effectively. In this context, that means strategic voting. Remember, we could have 1 or 2 million voters, maybe more, ready and willing to upset the status quo. The area of prime focus will be "swing ridings", those ridings that are "too close to call". If you reside in a "safe" riding, there are usually reachable swing ridings which would deeply appreciate your help. Alternatively, you could sign up for the Green Party's telephone canvassing service which is carried out from the comfort of your own home, at no cost to you.

74% of Canadians are comfortable with the principle of a **coalition government** when no party wins a majority, up from 69% in 2012.

Support has increased primarily among cons and ndp, but not the libs (who believe it is their divine right to rule)

48% of Canadians agree that "the Canadian government should implement strong policies to reduce income inequality". Only 6% disagree.

Support is strongest in Atlantic Canada, Quebec, among low-income Canadians and those on the political left.

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In Conclusion

The only way to effect permanent and significant change in Canada is to fundamentally change how Canada functions.

Restoring Canada's sovereignty by regaining control of the currency and credit changes **EVERYTHING!** All the hundreds of issues that Canadians protest about daily, **WILL** be resolved in fairly short order. Exactly as those issues were resolved when Canada nationalized the BoC in 1938, leading to Canada's Golden Age.

Changing our obsolete FPTP electoral system to a PR system will **FOREVER** prevent a majority government, without the support of a majority of Canadians. Thanks to Harper's dictatorial government, a majority of Canadians are angry **and** ready for change, which is a unique opportunity, given Canadians' usual docility and politeness. We may never get another opportunity like this again.

Canadians must put aside their personal differences and organize together with **common goals in mind**.

How can average Canadians win against the wealthiest & most powerful people in the country?

Simple, votes. Even though our country's electoral system has been seriously compromised, a massive voter revolt **will be** successful. Our electoral system will detect any attempt to create votes out of thin air. It is simple mathematics.

If 90% of voters are committed to democracy and equality for all, the 1%, or even the 10% richest Canadians, cannot possibly win.

Money doesn't vote, people vote!

A vote cast by any Canadian is equal to a vote cast by the richest or most powerful Canadian.

Please visit: www.rise-up-canada.ca for updates to the material presented here. You will also find numerous links to additional information not presented here.