

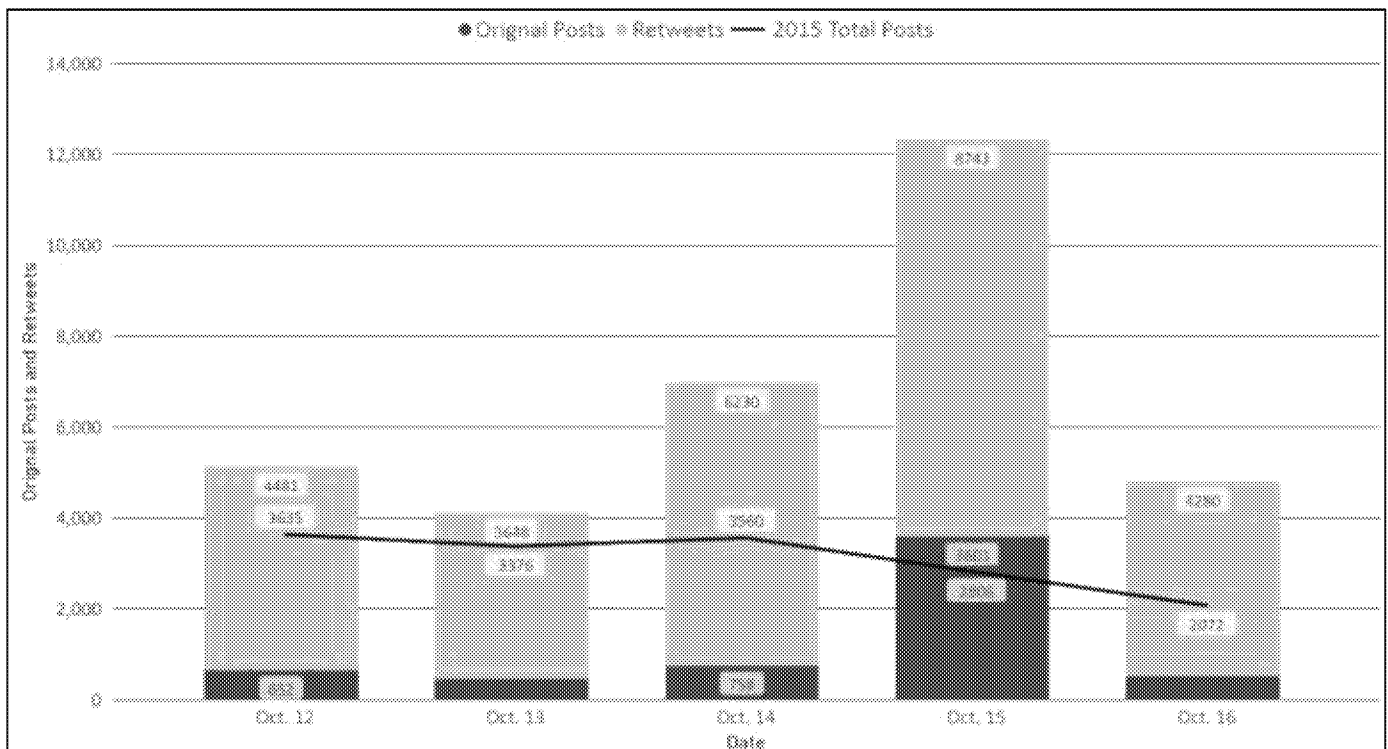
Rapport de repérage des médias sociaux : midi 16 octobre à midi 17 octobre, 2019

Social Media Monitoring Report: noon October 16 to noon October 17, 2019

Observations principales / Key observations

- Users reacted to former U.S. President Barack Obama endorsing LPC leader Justin Trudeau; some questioned the legality of the endorsement, while others expressed disbelief at EC's position that the endorsement does not violate the *Canada Elections Act*
- For the third day, *True North News* published articles and videos about non-citizens on the NROE, earning more than 7K engagements; many users expressed disappointment in EC not requiring proof of citizenship at the polls, with one user claiming that they voted with their VIC and a library card while wearing a scarf and sunglasses to show how "ridiculous" EC's ID requirements are
- Users in Vancouver reacted to a "misleading" PPC flyer containing EC's contact information, with one user stating that they "absolutely thought" the flyer to be from EC

Volume of posts mentioning Elections Canada or variants, by day



Volume – Includes mentions of CEO, CEA, and variants, in English and French, on Twitter, Reddit, Tumblr, blogs, forums, YouTube comments

Sujets principaux / Key topics¹

- **NEW** Calls for EC to investigate U.S. President Barack Obama for “foreign interference”
- **↑** Concerns about voting with face coverings, voter ID, vouching, and non-citizens and deceased electors on the NROE
- **NEW** Users react to PPC candidate’s “misleading” flyer containing EC’s contact info
- **↓** Concerns about the use of EC pencils and the integrity of advance polls
- **→** Concerns about vandalized or stolen lawn signs, or signs in close proximity to polling stations

Éléments sous observation / On the radar

- **User accused DRO of “opening” their ballot “3 times”:** The user (1.5K followers) stated that when they voted, the “DRO at [their] poll desk took and opened” their “folded-in-three ballot” and looked at it “3 times.” The user stated the opened ballot was also visible to the clerk and added that they “called the Riding[’s] top officer” to report the DRO and hoped that the DRO was fired. The tweet received five engagements.
- **Two Manitoba voters inquired about EC’s efforts to administer GE43 in the province following harsh weather:** One user (77 followers) replied to EC’s Twitter account and asked whether the agency had a “contingency plan in place for those who might not be back in their communities” by election day, receiving one engagement. Another user (142 followers) stated that despite being “more engaged in this election than any other,” they did not even “realize” that advance polls were open, adding that advance polling in Winnipeg was “perhaps [not] announced as predominantly” due to the winter storm. The user concluded by stating that they were going to vote on election day, receiving no engagement.
- **User claiming to be a poll worker offered candy for those who “wear red” when voting:** The user stated that they are working on election day, urging others to “come vote to see” her and adding that those who wear red would receive candy from her. In another tweet, the user stated “don’t fire me Elections Canada it’s a joke.” The user’s two tweets received a combined seven engagements.
- **Four users shared inaccurate information about the date of election day:** Three Twitter users, in separate posts, erroneously stated that election day is October 22. One user with 58 followers claimed that the date has been changed for “Liberal voters,” while another user with 1.1K followers declared the date as “Vote For Andrew Scheer Day.” A fourth user claimed that October 17 was election day. All four posts garnered no engagement.
- **Users had mixed reactions to EC’s collaboration with Snapchat:** One user (700 followers) who commented on EC partnering with Snapchat accused both EC and the social media outlet of “foreign interference,” while a second user (46 followers) questioned the legality of the collaboration. A third user (6 followers) noted that the promotional graphic features a Snapchat figure (Bitmoji) wearing a “nice red shirt” and added “just saying!! no influence here.” A fourth user (1.9K followers)

¹ Most prominent EC-related stories over the report’s time period; arrows indicate the intensity of the interest relative to last week:
 ↑ = increased interest → = continued interest ↓ = decreased interest ↻ = revived topic **NEW** = new topic

stated that “the Leftists are pulling out all the stops” and speculated that the collaboration was due to LPC’s “internal polling numbers” being “in the tank.”

- **User claimed Lyft will offer discounted rides on election day:** The user (165 followers) tweeted out that ride-hailing company Lyft is “sending out promos for people to get out and #vote.” The user shared a screengrab of the ad which reads, “Your Election Day ride: Election day is almost here! And to help make sure your voice is heard, take 50% off your ride to the polls on Oct. 21.” The tweet did not receive any engagement.
- **User concerned that poll worker allowed them to keep their VIC after voting without stamping it (to show it has been used):** A user with 679 followers said they voted on October 11, and was “surprised” that a poll worker only asked to see their VIC and driver’s license. The user added that the poll worker told them they could “keep the card” and returned it without having cancelled it as one would do with a used postage stamp. The user asked her followers if she could use the VIC to vote again, and why EC doesn’t “screen” voters by birth certificate or citizenship certificate. The tweet did not receive any engagement.
- **Facebook user called on EC to “break down barriers” for deaf poll worker applicants:** The user posted a video explaining her application to become a poll worker for GE43, but was notified too late by the RO office whether an American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter was available for mandatory training. The user said the RO office was not responsive in confirming whether they had arranged an ASL interpreter from the Canadian Hearing Society, and was only notified that one would be available after she withdrew her application. The user said she found the situation “unprofessional” and that accessibility “should be important to [EC].” The user said she reached out to EC, her MP and the CHS for comment on the matter, but “only heard back from her [MP]. The video was viewed 3.5K times and received 236 engagements.
- **Twitter user asked why EC “misgenders and outs their employees”:** The user posed the question to their 32 followers and received one engagement.



Sujets principaux – en profondeur / Key topics – in depth

NEW Calls for EC to investigate Barack Obama for “foreign interference”
Articles les plus partagés; nombre de partages / Most-shared articles; number of shares

- [Barack Obama endorses Justin Trudeau in Canadian federal election](#), *Global News*, October 16, **42.9K shares**
- [Obama weighs in on Canada's federal election, backs Trudeau](#), *CTV News*, October 16, **20.2K shares**
- [Obama endorses Canada's Trudeau for re-election](#), *BBC News*, October 16, **17.8K shares**
- [Obama Endorses Trudeau for Re-election Ahead of Canada Vote](#), *New York Times*, October 16, **15K shares**
- [BREAKING: Canada Subject To Election Interference As Former American President Tells Canadian Citizens Who To Vote For](#), *Spencerfernando.com*, October 16, **8.2K shares**
- [Barack Obama appuie Justin Trudeau](#), *Radio Canada*, October 16, **5.3K shares**
- [Barack Obama wades into federal election, endorses Justin Trudeau](#), *Globe and Mail*, October 16, **4.3K shares**
- [Obama endorses Justin Trudeau ahead of Canada's election](#), *Axios*, October 16, **3.6K shares**
- [Federal election 2019 roundup: Obama endorses Trudeau](#), *National Post*, October 16, **1.7K shares**
- [‘FOREIGN ELECTION INTERFERENCE’! Barack Obama \(who hasn’t endorsed Joe Biden\) throws his support behind fellow black person Justin Trudeau](#), *Twitchy.com*, October 16, **395 shares**

Fait saillants sur les médias sociaux / Social media highlights

After former U.S. President Barack Obama tweeted an endorsement of LPC leader Justin Trudeau, a number of Canadian journalists weighed in. *CTV News* journalist Don Martin called the tweet “highly unusual,” and noted that he “can’t recall a precedent for this.” *Washington Post* commentator JJ McCullough said he did not want to be “overly reactionary” and “scream foreign influence,” but suggested it is reasonable to ask if there was “collusion” from the LPC leader in seeking Obama’s endorsement. Independent oil industry researcher Vivian Krause noted Obama’s tweet and stated that it showed how “absolutely laughable” EC’s third party advertising regulations are since Obama’s endorsement does not fall under EC’s third party provisions. In an article shared over 8K times, commentator Spencer Fernando claimed that Canada was on the receiving end of “foreign interference”.

Other social media users expressed disbelief at EC’s position that President Obama’s tweet does not constitute foreign interference, and cited climate activist Greta Thunberg as another foreigner who seems to be interfering in this election. Some speculated that the LPC had paid Obama for his endorsement, or that LPC leader Trudeau would “donate to the Obama foundation” after GE43. Many users were unimpressed that foreign leaders can endorse candidates in Canada without being subject to any regulations, with some speculating that EC’s position on the matter would be radically different had U.S. President Donald Trump endorsed CPC leader Andrew Scheer.



| Publications reliées au sujet / Related posts | | | | |
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| Engagement | Followers, platform | Account | Post | Date |
| 330K | 109.5M, Twitter | Barack Obama | I was proud to work with Justin Trudeau as President. He's a hard-working, effective leader who takes on big issues like climate change. The world needs his progressive leadership now, and I hope our neighbors to the north support him for another term. | Oct. 16 |
| 9K | 63K, Twitter | Don Martin , host of <i>CTV News Power Play</i> | Highly unusual move by a former US president to endorse anyone in a Canadian election. Can't recall a precedent for this. | Oct. 16 |
| 5.6K | 900K, Facebook | CTV News | <p>Former U.S. president Barack Obama has endorsed Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau. Elections Canada says it doesn't constitute foreign interference unless a payment was made.</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Facebook user 1 There was a liberal fund raiser in NYC a few days ago. They won't say who was there and what went on. Now we have Obama endorsing Trudeau? Elections Canada has often let liberals break the law with total forgiveness. This is a fact. Yet, they've had conservative people charged fully for the slightest wrongs. Del De Mastro used his own money on a campaign, against the law and EC had him drug away in handcuffs.</p> <p>Facebook user 2 Well duh! Nothing wrong with someone from another country showing support! However "giving" them support \$\$\$\$ wise yea that's obviously a no no. Am I the only one who thinks the elections canada statement is pointless? I mean it should be obvious no? This comments have 6 engagements.</p> <p>Facebook user 3 Come on Elections Canada. It does not constitute international interference cuz money did not cross hands. Did Russia use money to meddle in US Elections as they claimed?</p> <p>Facebook user 4 Elections Canada needs to look into Canada 2020, the Liberals and Obama.</p> <p>Facebook user 5 Come on Elections Canada. It does not constitute international interference cuz money did not cross hands. Did Russia use money to meddle in US Elections as they claimed</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 3.8K | 9.7K, Twitter | Michel Boyer , journalist, <i>CTV News</i> | Elections Canada says the Obama tweet endorsing Trudeau is NOT foreign interference because it was not paid for. #cdnpoli #elxn43 | Oct. 16 |

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| 2.5K | 85K, Facebook | <u>Justin Trudeau</u> <u>Nope</u> | Obama should stay the hell out of our election. **Sample replies** Facebook user 1 Funny how when Obama does it, it's an endorsement, but if Putin had done it, it's meddling. Other countries need to stay the hell out of elections, ours and everyone else's. Facebook user 2 This is interference.. paid or not, it is wrong. Just more things that show the character of the current PM. | Oct. 16 |
| 2K | 11.7K, Twitter | <u>Cormac Mac Sweeney,</u> Reporter, <i>City News</i> | Former US President Barack Obama endorsing Liberal Leader @JustinTrudeau several days before Canadians cast their ballots #elxn43 #cdnpoli **Sample replies** Twitter user 1 An American president meddling in another country's election is somehow okay, but another country meddling in an American election is against the law and deserving of grave consequences. Hypocritical. @BarackObama Twitter user 2 The Russians helped Trump win,so why not | Oct. 16 |
| 1.3K | 28.6K, Twitter | <u>Vivian Krause,</u> independ- ent researcher | **Series of tweets by user** Here's what makes Elections Canada's rules about 3rd party advertising absolutely laughable. With a single tweet, @BarackObama will have more influence than all 3rd party advertising put together. Media coverage of this alone is bound to give @JustinTrudeau a boost. #elxn43 Important. Read for yourself. Here's Elections Canada's statement on Obama's tweet ... <i>All individuals, Canadian or non-Canadian, are free to express their views on any topic during an election. A foreign citizen speaking about the Canadian election does not by itself constitute an instance of undue foreign influence under the Canada Elections Act. Who has incurred the expenses and for what reason would be among the factors that need to be considered before determining if undue foreign influence has taken place.</i> Silly me. Worried sick about running afoul of Elections Canada with @OverABarrelDoc ... and then along comes this guy and he just jumps right in, reaches millions of Canadians - and no doubt having a good laugh. #elxn43 | Oct. 16 |
| 1.2K | 44.7K, Twitter | <u>Ed The Sock</u> | Uhm...this is a hell of an endorsement and I agree with his sentiment. Though does it count as a foreign national interfering in our election? | Oct. 16 |



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| 629 | 30.6K, Reddit, r/metaCa nada | Reddit user | <p>FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!! FOREIGN INTERFERENCE!!</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Reddit user 1 Oh boy is Elections Canada going to start the paperwork on submitting a case to be opened on this guy.</p> <p>Reddit user 2 Section 331 of the Canada Elections Act. Obama can be punished by a fine of up to 5000\$, six months in prison, or both.</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 533 | 17.9K, Twitter | <u>JJ McCullough</u> , Columnist, <i>Washing- ton Post</i> | I don't want to be overly reactionary about this and scream "foreign influence foreign influence," but it seems reasonable to ask if there was any... dare I say, collusion between the Trudeau team and the Obama people in order to secure this endorsement. | Oct. 16 |
| 138 | 4.8K, Twitter | Twitter user | Pardon? Trudeau forgot to tell elections Canada he fund raised in NYC last week at the Clinton fundraiser Another example of foreign influence | Oct. 16 |
| 101 | 9.2K, Twitter | Twitter user | It's like they're trying to create a civil war prior to our election. Who do Obama and Greta work for? @ElectionsCan_E #elxn2019 #canadavotes2019 *Retweeting post from CTV Edmonton #Breaking: Activist Greta Thunberg to march in Edmonton climate strike this Friday | Oct. 16 |
| 30 | 2.5K, Twitter | Twitter user | Since @ElectionsCan_E won't shut down Foreign interference with #Obama, can Canada (and ALL Canadians) depend on @POTUS @WhiteHouse to offer an endorsement for @AndrewScheer to help heal the relationship ? #Scheer4PM #elxn43 | Oct. 16 |
| 9 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | What I find fascinating is the speed at which CTV was able to publish a story including commentary from Elections Canada within 30 minutes of Obama's tweet | Oct. 16 |
| 3 | 3K, Twitter | Twitter user | Ingérence dans nos élections, @JustinTrudeau a obtenu de l'aide de Greta, des médias et maintenant Obama! Que sera la prochaine étape, corruption/magouille comme @drgbarrette et @domanglade l'avaient dénoncé pour le @LiberalQuebec! #Trudeau #Obama #Polqc #polcan | Oct. 16 |
| 4 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | Your leader doesn't care about breaking laws either. Shocking. Elections Canada Act Section 331 forbids those who are not citizens of Canada from "[inducing] electors to vote or refrain from voting or vote or refrain from voting for a particular candidate". | Oct. 16 |



↑ Concerns about voting with face coverings, voter ID, vouching, and non-citizens and deceased electors on the NROE

Articles les plus partagés; nombre de partages / Most-shared articles; number of shares

- [Ont. woman concerned after dead, non-citizen partner gets voter card](#), *Canoe*, October 16, **2.9K shares**
- [Elections Canada needs to take non-citizen voting seriously](#), *True North News*, YouTube, **270 shares**
- [Lawton: Elections Canada needs to take non-citizen voting seriously](#), *True North News*, October 16, **64 shares**

Fait saillants sur les médias sociaux / Social media highlights

For the third consecutive day, *True North News* continued coverage of potential non-citizens on the NROE. In a video shared on Facebook and YouTube, TNC fellow Andrew Lawton discussed how an “unknown number of non-citizens are receiving voters cards,” to which users responded by calling for “immediate deportation” of non-citizens who vote. One user was adamant that only “drivers license and citizenship card[s]” should be accepted at polling stations, while another suggested the criteria for voting should be “1. Canadian citizenship ONLY. 2. Born in Canada. 3. Resident in Canada.” A number of users suggested that a grand conspiracy involving the LPC and Elections Canada was taking place, with one user claiming that “the globalists have already counted the thousands of illegal votes.” Another user went further and stated that EC “are in bed with Liberal, NDP, and Green Party.”

Facebook users on niche political page “[Ontario Campaign Canada](#)” discussed a recent *London Free Press* article about a resident of London, ON, receiving a VIC for their deceased non-citizen spouse. Many users who commented on the article questioned why the NROE was not up-to-date, especially after “how much death tax people pay.” Another user said that EC was “stacking the deck” for the “Fourth Reich Liberals.”

On Facebook, one user posted a photo of themselves wearing sunglasses and a scarf covering their face, adding that they were en route to a polling station to use their VIC and a library card as ID while voting. The user also stated that if their attempt to vote with such ID and their face covered was successful, it would be “totally ridiculous!” After having visited a polling station, the user commented that it was “ridiculous” that “it work[ed]” and urged others to do the same. One user who replied said “someone should be fired for this farce,” while others pondered the religious ramifications of hiding one’s identity at the polls, claiming that it is “definitely not something Jesus would have done.”

Publications reliées au sujet / Related posts

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| <p>2K (including views)</p> | <p>18.4K, YouTube 46K, Facebook</p> | <p><u>True</u> <u>North</u> <u>News</u></p> | <p>Andrew Lawton: In a democratic country, the integrity of elections must be preserved and protected. Yet in Canada, the government doesn't seem too bothered that an unknown number of non-citizens are receiving voters cards, which means ineligible voters may be casting ballots in our elections at the invitation of Elections Canada. **Sample replies** YouTube user 1 We all know this is why Hussen and Trudeau and shipping truckloads of illegals all over the country, even as we speak. They're all going to cast fake ans illegal ballots. YouTube user 2 driver's license and citizenship card should be shown to cast the ballot YouTube user 3 There should be three criteria for voting: 1. Canadian citizenship ONLY. 2. Born in Canada. 3. Resident in Canada. YouTube user 4 the globalists have already counted the thousands of illegal votes , thats why obama jumped in today and trudy was sounding limp . they are concerned that on the 21st they will not be able to bus multi-voters from station to station without getting busted . WATCH YOUR POLLING STATION take turns at recording the licence plate <u>numbers.film</u> if you can YouTube user 5 My friends dog got a voters card and the dog is dead YouTube user 6 A man dressed in a Burka voted 4 times in 4 locations but was asked nothing simply because of how he was dressed YouTube user 7 every room at Trudos refugee hotel comes with a free voters card and ballot already filled out.. YouTube user 8 I wonder how many slaps I would get if I was to 'stand guard' at my voting station and tell certain peoples they shoudn't be voting...? YouTube user 9 Ya my parents got a voting cards ,they been dead for ten years now,I ripped them up YouTube user 10 Has anyone else noticed the peculiar demographic representation of Canadians on the cover of the official voting guide booklet? It seems that finding a photo of a normal Caucasian Male in almost any government literature, regardless of which level of government, is like playing a game of Wheres Waldo. This is our government bureaucracy at work, using taxpayer dollars, trying to show how that bureaucracy will replace the existing population if given the chance. The cultural Marxism is deeply entrenched in all levels of government but it doesn't represent the people. Facebook user 1 Elections Canada has no concern about illegal voters. They want the east to win with trushit. Facebook user 2 That is SO wrong. If you are not a Canadian citizen, you should not have the right to vote. Maybe we should look into the shenanigans of Election Canada once a new PM is in place Facebook user 3 Elections Canada should be investigated. Have NO doubt the liberal party provided cards to people and informed them they can register at the polling station.</p> | <p>Oct. 16</p> |
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| 972 | 46.2K, Facebook | <u>True North News</u> | <p>In May, Elections Canada admitted to a Senate Committee that it found 103,000 names of non-citizens illegally on the federal voter list. At the time, Chief Electoral Officer Stephane Perrault assured Canadians that Elections Canada would remove these names before the 2019 federal election. Looks like that wasn't the case. True North's Candice Malcolm has more.</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Facebook user 1 So Elections Canada has not fixed its mistake and is still sending voter cards to non-citizens who can then use that card plus a drivers license to vote illegally? Was this truly a mistake or is this another Liberal ploy to swing the election. This is a dictatorship run by a part time drama teacher directed by those behind giving him the scripts.</p> <p>Facebook user 2 I am very angry that Elections Canada are nullifying my vote because of illegals being allowed to vote in what is totally a Canadian citizen right. Damn you Elections Canada for plotting treason.</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 681 | 12.7K, Twitter | <u>True North News</u> | <p>**Post included in Oct. 16 report; since then it received 400+ engagements**</p> <p>In May, Elections Canada admitted that it found 103,000 names of non-citizens illegally on the voter list. They assured Cdns that these names would be removed before the election. Looks like that wasn't the case. @CandiceMalcolm has more. #elxn43</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Twitter user 1 103,000 votes for a party that lies and cheats. Can the EC not be complicit?</p> <p>Twitter user 2 I'm an immigrant and have received voter cards in the past. I'm now a citizen and proof of citizenship was not required to register (officially) or vote, all I needed was my drivers license which I was able to obtain as a permanent resident.</p> <p>Twitter user 3 This has been the intent from the beginning. Trudeau has been importing votes. Everyone knows it</p> | Oct. 16 |

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| 250 | 69.8K, Facebook | <u>The London Free Press</u> | <p>"I don't know how many non-voters are on the list or how these mistakes happen but it is just really weird." - Judy Carter, after her late husband, who wasn't a citizen of Canada, was sent a voter registration card, even though he died two years ago.</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Facebook user 1 My mother and son did not receive a voter card even though my wife, eldest son and i received one. Makes no sense. Anyways we all voted. They also managed to spell my name wrong even though every piece of government issues id has the correct spelling.</p> <p>Facebook user 2 This is messed up...I've gotten cards that aren't mine no big deal I've also not recieved a card.....no problem but a non citizen with a card???? How many more are about to vote that aren't a citizen???? You have to show your driver's license....you can have one if your not a citizen.... It doesn't say it on the card.. this is fraud!!!</p> <p>Facebook user 3 What a click bait article. The list has additions made every time someone checks off the box on your taxes. All these people getting cards that shouldn't means they (or their tax accountant) added their names to the list by checking that off when they shouldn't have. It's their faults the list isn't accurate. And, the card is merely a card and elections Canada has already answered (in several other articles regarding similar non resident issued cards) that they verify the voter list that is cast against immigration data and those who vote illegally are subject to prosecution. From the article above:"When people go and vote, they're asked if they're a Canadian citizen. If they say yes and they vote and they're not and we find out . .. because we check these things, that's a federal offence."So drop your "liberal conspiracy stories and think logically.The person that adds themselves and attempts to vote after lying about being a Canadian citizen is the problem (and I'm sure they come in all political stripes)and hopefully they get what the penalty is</p> <p>Facebook user 4 I got 3 cards my daughter n myself Plus some woman no clue who she is. (Ive been here 3+ yrs) Asked the Superintendant if he knows her (hes been here 27 yrs) hes nvr heard of her....Hmmm</p> | Oct. 16 |
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| 54 | N/A, Facebook | Facebook user | <p>This is how I'm going to vote this morning, using my voter card & my library card. If I'm successful this is totally ridiculous!!!</p>  <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Original poster It works! Everyone should do this! Ridiculous! This should not be!!! you don't need photo ID, so it doesn't matter if your face is covered or not.</p> <p>Facebook user 1 Someone should be fired or the election declared a farce</p> <p>Facebook user 3 I hope some "religious" group doesn't get on your case and give you grief for "brown facing" them.</p> <p>Original poster I'm not "brown facing" any one. Just showing how ridiculous it is....any one could vote in my place. (if they have 2 pieces of ID with my name on it). Why do we have photo ID and not required to use it in our country's MOST important event?!?</p> <p>Original poster there was no problem. If no photo ID is required, you don't need a face to see. Wear a paper bag if u want.</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 21 | 2K, Facebook | Ontario Campaign Canada | <p>How are these names getting on the voters list this year when they never were before? What is going on? Don't forget, non-citizens that get a voters card just need to show a drivers license in order to vote, they can get a drivers license without being a citizen. *Sharing Canoe article</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Facebook user 1 When you think of how much death tax people pay you'd think their data base would be up.to date.</p> <p>Facebook user 2 This is the Fourth Reich Liberals and Trudeau with Elections Canada in his hip pocket stacking the deck.</p> | Oct. 16 |



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| 33 | N/A, Facebook | Facebook user | <p>*Sharing photo of Facebook user with pink scarf covering face So this is how my friend went to vote today - to see if they would let her - she is not Muslim, but thought that covering her face and putting on sunglasses might be questioned... nope, not in Canada! Incredible. No need for id or facial recognition!</p> <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Facebook user 1 We voted yesterday. We were asked for identification. Everything was respectful and thorough. We didn't even play such games as pretending to be someone of another religion. Isn't that illegal unless one is an undercover government agent? Can't fathom why Christians would even think of doing that.</p> <p>Facebook user 2 Yup as a born again spirit filled Christian and a yet to be poll clerk i can't imagine the point being made here. with proper ID a person is permitted to vote. and only once. actually quite simple in a democracy.</p> <p>Facebook user 3 by the way your voter ID card is a government issued card that behind the scenes confirms a great deal about who you are. Library card confirms your address and name. that's all that is required. As for the face cover who really cares. what's your point. what if you had a hideous burn or recent cancer facial surgery and were uncomfortable in public? What's your point? Let's not provoke racial nor religious issues shall we. Remember we are called to love our neighbours.</p> <p>Facebook user 4 I am also a born again Christian and I don't see anything wrong with what Marilyn did. She was checking if the voting process would require any facial recognition / checking, and for her it didn't (I'm assuming her library card didn't have any photo of her.)</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 9 | N/A, Facebook | Facebook user | <p>So this offers a question...WHO'S side is Elections Canada Working for? You can't tell me they are just incompetent. *Sharing True North article <i>How many non-citizens will illegally vote – intentionally or unintentionally – in the upcoming federal election?</i></p> | Oct. 16 |

NEW Users react to a PPC candidate's "misleading" flyer containing EC's contact info

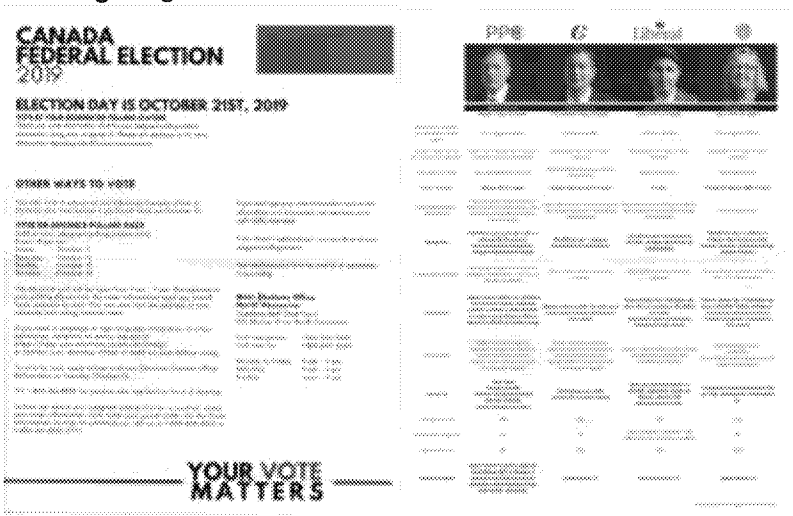
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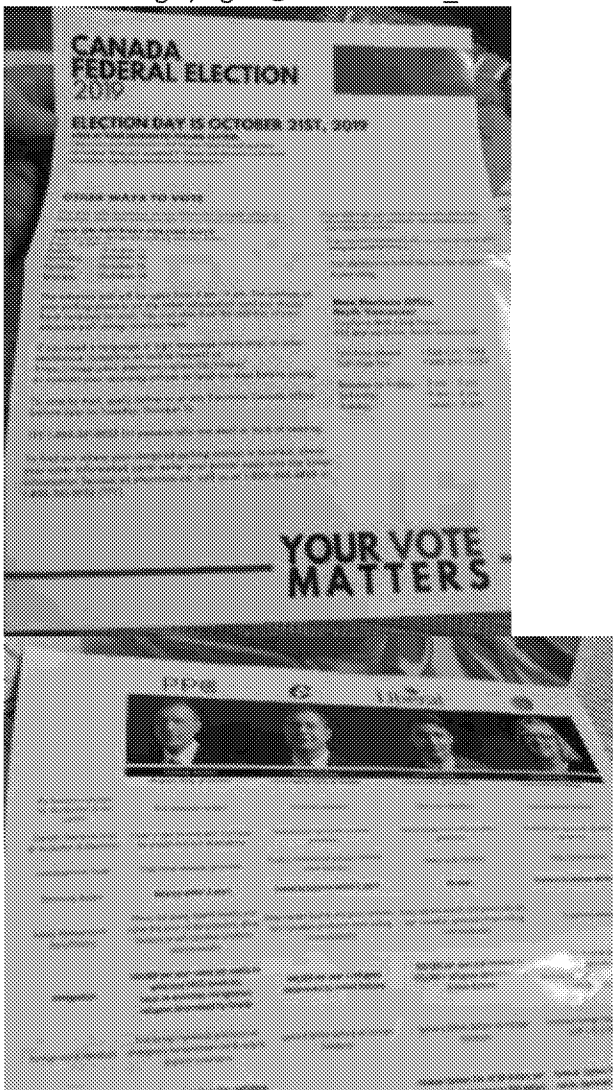
- Flyer resembling Elections Canada handout appears to be sent from North Vancouver PPC candidate, *City News 1130*, October 17, **63 shares**

Fait saillants sur les médias sociaux / Social media highlights

Users in Vancouver reported that they had received GE43-related flyers with vague-to-no reference that they were from PPC candidate Azmairnin Jadavj's campaign (Vancouver North). Some users noted that the flyers featured EC's phone number, with one user stating that they "absolutely thought" the flyer was an official EC communication. The flyer included an overview of the PPC, CPC, LPC and GPC's platforms, with a "distinctly pro-PPC slant," and made no mention of the NDP or the NDP's platform. One user called the flyer "ballsy," while others stated that they were not aware that it was a PPC ad until seeing tweets by *Vancouver News 1130* journalists, which prompted some to note that "pretending to be [EC] is probably illegal" and to "report" further such letters to EC. One user reported having received such a flyer in Edmonton, AB.

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| 121 | 1K, Twitter | Toby Kerr, journalist, Vancouver News 1130 | <p>A North Vancouver voter says he got this flyer delivered to his door. It LOOKS like it's from Elections Canada, even says "call us" before providing Elections Canada contact information... but it's actually from a local PPC Candidate, as noted in a tiny line of text at the bottom</p> <p>*Sharing images</p>  <p>**Sample replies**</p> <p>Twitter user 1 I received a similar one in Edmonton</p> <p>Twitter user 2 please report these to elections canada. there is laws against this.</p> <p>Twitter user 3 I received one in my mailbox yesterday. #NorthVan</p> | Oct. 17 |

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| <p>75</p> | <p>1.5K, Twitter</p> | <p>Twitter user</p> | <p>PPC candidate in North Vancouver distributing official-looking (elections Canada) flyer that leaves out Singh. Wonder why? It includes the line "call us at 1-800-463-6868" But that's not the PPC, it's Elections Canada. They pretending to be Elections Canada. This has to be illegal, right @ElectionsCan_E?</p>  <p>**Sample replies** Twitter user 1 In New Westminster someone from PPC (or a supporter?) got into our condo building and distributed their pamphlet under our doors. Never had this happen in 10 years living in New West. Sketchiest crap I've seen here in any election. (2 engagements) Twitter user 2 Wow! Ballsy/wtf?!! (2 engagements) Original poster Pretending to be Elections Canada is probably illegal</p> | <p>Oct. 16</p> |
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| 16 | 232.9K, Twitter | <u>News 1130</u> | Flyer resembling Elections Canada handout appears to be sent from North Vancouver PPC candidate *Sharing image of flyer | Oct. 17 |
| 4 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | Hey #NorthVan, don't get fooled by this flyer which is from the People's Party candidate, NOT Elections Canada *Sharing image of flyer | Oct. 16 |
| 1 | 1K, Twitter | Twitter user | Wow! It's been sitting on our counter for a few days and we absolutely thought it was from Elections Canada *Sharing image of flyer | Oct. 17 |

⬇️ Concerns about the use of EC pencils and the integrity of advance polls

Articles les plus partagés; nombre de partages / Most-shared articles; number of shares

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Fait saillants sur les médias sociaux / Social media highlights

Some users continued to express concern about using pencils to mark ballots, though interest in this topic continued to decrease. It appears that some users are still basing their concerns about writing instruments on the viral r/metaCanada post about an unfounded claim of selective ballot tampering at an advance poll in Toronto. Some users mentioned issues like "pencil smudging" and poll workers "in a back room erasing furiously and changing the ballots!" Users who are engaging with his topic continue to urge others to bring a pen or a sharpie to the polls.

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| 19 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | I couldn't believe how easy it would be for anyone to VOTE/CHEAT! PROBLEMS: 1. Ballots filled out in PENCIL! 2. No proof of citizenship required! SOLUTIONS: 1. Provide PENS! 2. Passport or birth certificates REQUIRED! #EasyFix #ElectionsCanada #VoterFraud #Election2019 *Replying to Twitter user <i>Please do something about the votes being opened read then smudged to spoil it. And why do so many non citizens have voting cards?? This is already an illegitimate election. Sick what is going on. Do you care? Do something!</i> | Oct. 16 |
| 12 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | I made sure to mark my X boldly with the pencil! CPC yay! **Sample replies** Twitter user 1 Did the same thing, but I demanded a black pen. No pencil for me! Original poster Yeah I know the pencil is disconcerting. Someone from Elections Canada is probably in a back room erasing furiously and changing the ballots! | Oct. 16 |



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| 11 | N/A, Facebook | Facebook user | Hey Facebook friends, I did my early vote yesterday because I can not make it on the 21 st . Please make sure you take a PEN with you to vote because the election poles are only supplying pencils! WTF. When I ask why are we given pencils to vote the answer I got was because it's all they supplied us with. Please vote in PEN! | Oct. 16 |
| 1 | 3.6K, Twitter | Twitter user | Elections Canada does not indicate whether a pen can be used or whether the pencil the polling station provides has to be used? Did you use a pen or pencil? | Oct. 16 |
| 1 | 1.6K, Twitter | Twitter user | Thanks for the feedback. I'm considering getting electors at my polling station sharpies, since Elections Canada only provides pencils. :) | Oct. 16 |
| 0 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | Poll Station No. Street Address Tweet immediately this plus your tweet to Elections Canada, and 43Watch. I also questioned why pencils, which can be erased, smudged, get dull, were used instead of a pen!!!! | Oct. 16 |

↓ Concerns about vandalized or stolen lawn signs, or signs in close proximity to polling stations

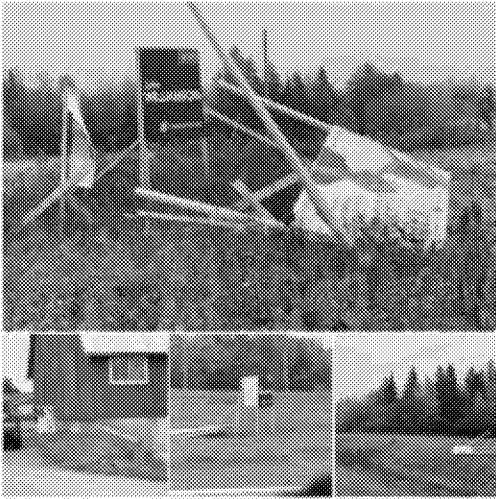

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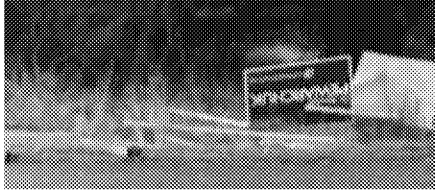

- [Several dozen election signs headed for Kelowna landfill](#), *Kelowna News*, October 16, **316 shares**
- [Man arrested after swinging election sign, threatening couple in Oak Bay](#), *Times Colonist*, October 16, **1 share**
- [Liberals' Sonia Sidhu reports 'hundreds' of signs stolen or vandalized as candidate conflict dominates campaign](#), *The Pointer*, October 16, **7 shares**





Fait saillants sur les médias sociaux / Social media highlights

Users continued to post photos of damaged signs, including photos of uprooted signs in Victoria, Mississauga, Kitchener, Toronto, and New Brunswick. PPC candidate Jing Lan Yang (Caribou–Prince George) took photos of vandalized signs in her riding, and stated that she planned to “file a police report.” A Twitter user in Kitchener Centre also took notice of vandalism, taking a photo of a defaced sign for GPC candidate Mike Morrice. In a news piece for *The Pointer*, LPC candidate Sonia Sidhu (Brampton South) claimed that “hundreds” of her signs have been vandalized, while CPC candidate Harold Albrecht (Kitchener–Conestoga) said someone was stealing his lawn signs from private property, and urged anyone who witnesses lawn sign theft to call the Waterloo Region police. In Edmonton, a man who has decided to place all six federal party signs on his lawn said he frequently loses his signs to thieves. One user posted a photo featuring NDP candidate Salman Tariq’s (Mississauga–Erin Mills) on the ground, with LPC candidate Iqra Khalid’s (Mississauga–Erin Mills) signs in tact in the background, while another user criticized CPC candidate Stephen Woodworth’s (Kitchener Centre) signs for featuring the word “re-elect.”

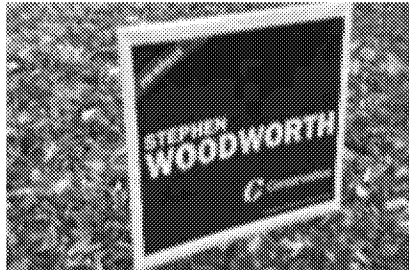

Users reacted to LPC candidate Catherine McKenna’s (Ottawa Centre) all-black signs stating “vote for gun control,” and wondered if it was indeed an actual sign. *CBC News London* featured a story about an “old hippy” who made his own signs criticizing all “political reps” for “coming with strings attached.”

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| Engagement | Followers, platform | Account | Post | Date |
| 499 | 5K, Facebook | <u>Karen Ludwig</u> , New Brunswick Southwest LPC candidate | <p>THANKSGIVING MONDAY: Anger and temper tantrums won't win elections. Negative, regressive campaigning is a choice. I choose positive campaigning, running on my record, hoping hard work really does matter to voters. Happy thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for in Canada. #ChooseForward</p>  | Oct. 14 |
| 110 | 1.1K, Twitter | <u>Jing Lan Yang</u> , Caribou-Prince George PPC candidate | <p>Signs damaged and stolen. 📸 This is the interference of an federal election #Elexn43. We will file a police report.</p>  | Oct. 16 |

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| 27 | 3.7K, Instagram | <u>Vibrant Victoria</u> | <p>A collection of federal election signs were knocked over and several destroyed overnight on Otter Point Road at Wadams Way in Sooke, and it's just one example of damaged signs throughout the Capital. Damaging election signs is considered an offence and individuals can be charged for the destruction of what is considered private property. Tsk tsk.</p>  <p>**Sample replies** Instagram user 1 Typical Leftist actions they wanna silence free speech and democracy they are more like the real Nazi scum Instagram user 2 I've noticed on Victoria a hell of a lot of PPC signs were down whilst red orange and blue were all up: pretty obvious to me</p> | Oct. 16 |
| 23 | 3.7K, Twitter | Twitter user | <p>ELECTION INTERFERENCE? 403 & Erin Mills: I guess the wind only rips NDP signs down in Mississauga! Iqra, maybe you could help put them back up? #elxn43 #cdnpoli @theJagmeetSingh @SalmanTariqNDP</p>  | Oct 16 |
| 19 | 2.5K, Twitter | Twitter user | <p>Central Saanich Police arrested two individuals and are recommending mischief charges after an election sign was damaged by spray paint. A reminder that damaging election signs is a criminal code offence.</p> <p>**Sample replies** Twitter user 1 They are trying to stick it to "da man"! lol Twitter user 2 For painting a disposable sign ???</p> | Oct 16 |
| 5 | 4.9K, Twitter | <u>Harold Albrecht</u> , Kitchener– Conestoga CPC candidate | <p>It's come to my attention that many of our lawn signs have been stolen off of private property. If you witness someone tampering with a lawn sign please contact the @WRPSToday To replace them, give us a call at 519-745-3100 or email info@haroldalbrecht.ca</p> | Oct. 16 |

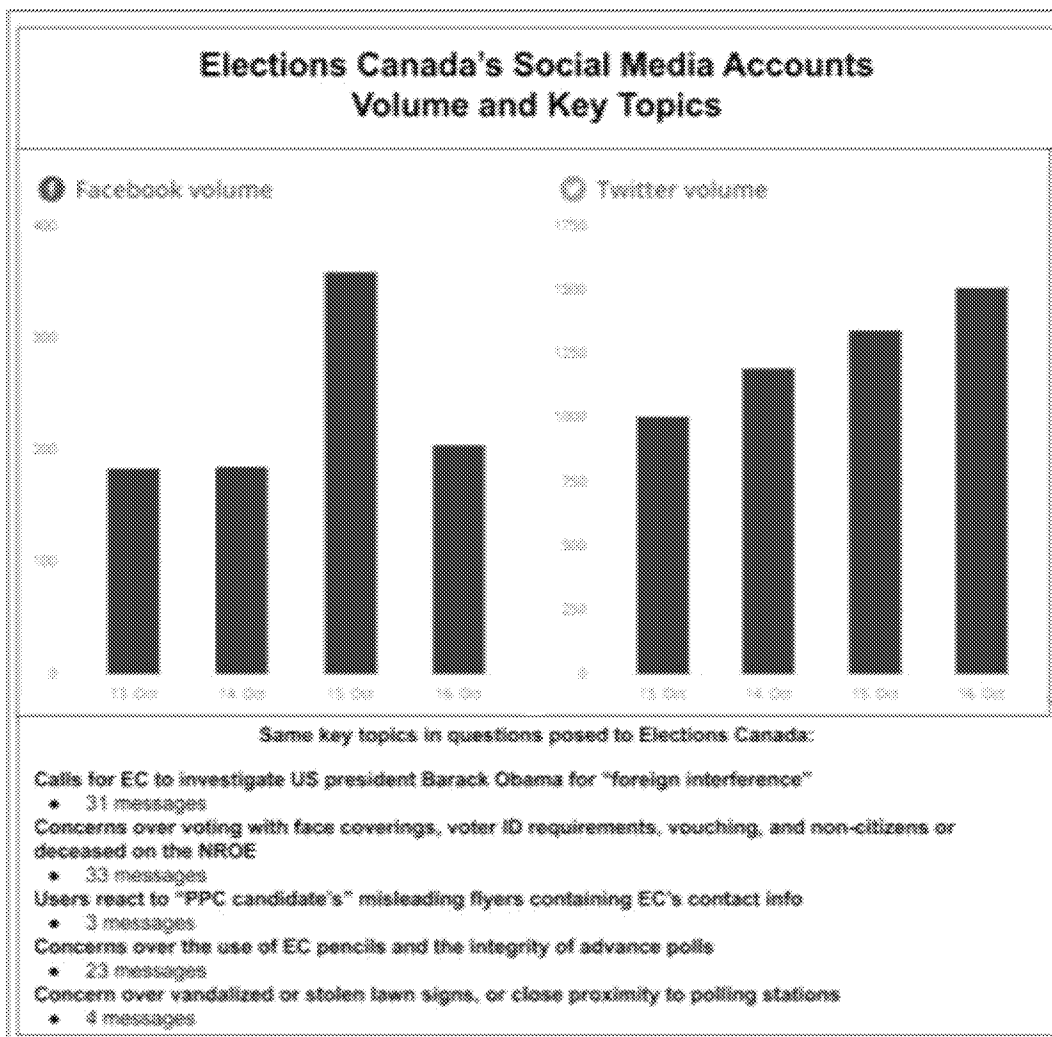
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| 4 | 28K, Twitter | CityNews Edmonton | <p>“Why do you have so many signs?” An Edmonton man chooses to display election signs for all parties. @CarlyDRobinson reports.</p>  | Oct. 15 |
| 2 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | <p>Is it really an official #elxn43 sign from @cathmckenna in #SomersetWard at Lyon/Slater? First time I see one like that during this election ...</p>  | Oct. 16 |
| 2 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | <p>Disappointing to see an election sign defaced. No one should be attacked because they have a different political view, we should not be this divided. #elxn43 #kitchener #kitcen @morricemike</p>  | Oct. 16 |
| 1 | 8K, Twitter | CBC News London | <p>This 'old hippy' makes his own election signs 'in defiance of them'</p>  | Oct. 16 |



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| 0 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | Twitter user | <p>@Woodworth1CPC- you're deliberately misleading voters claiming to be the incumbent w/ 're-elect' on your election signs. That's a bald-faced lie & you should be ashamed of yourself. Constituents deserve better people trying to represent them #WRawesome #elxn43</p>  | Oct. 16 |
| 0 | Fewer than 500, Twitter | <u>The Pointer:</u> <u>Mississauga</u> | <p>Sonia Sidhu of Brampton South cast aspersions on her rivals after 'hundreds' of her campaign signs were tampered with. Whoever is responsible, the incidents add to a list of conflicts that show this election has become more about people than policy.</p>  | Oct. 16 |



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