

# US-Canada Cross-Border Quick Guide

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This pre-election analysis from ML Strategies will explore some of the most pressing cross-border issues that will be tackled by the next administration and 119th Congress. [Click here to read our full analysis.](#)

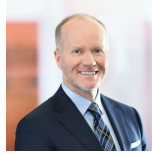
Here are some topline takeaways from key issues:

US-Canada Cross-Border Issue	Trump	Harris
<p><b>Energy/ Environment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prioritize an expansion of pro-fossil fuel infrastructure, such as pipelines.</li> <li>• Bolster US energy independence and minimize regulatory constraints on energy projects.</li> <li>• Less emphasis on collaborative environmental and sustainability initiatives with Canada.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen joint efforts on renewable energy development and stricter environmental regulations to reduce carbon emissions.</li> <li>• Continue emphasis of the Canada-US Energy Transformation Task Force to accelerate cooperation on critical clean energy opportunities, including decarbonizing steel and aluminum.</li> <li>• Allocate funding to US and Canadian companies to mine and process critical materials for electric vehicles and stationary storage batteries.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Infrastructure</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renegotiate trade agreements to benefit US infrastructure projects and industries.</li> <li>• Revise and reduce environmental regulations impacting cross-border infrastructure projects.</li> <li>• Enhance cybersecurity measures and potentially challenge policies or agreements viewed as unfavorable to cross-border digital data flows.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prioritize initiatives like joint investments in clean technology and enhanced cybersecurity measures while maintaining a focus on equitable and secure trade practices.</li> <li>• Advance initiatives to modernize infrastructure to facilitate trade and ensure efficient transportation networks.</li> <li>• Focus on improving cross-border clean energy infrastructure and electricity transmission.</li> </ul>

<h2 style="text-align: center;">Tax</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocate for a more competitive stance on limiting or regulating foreign ownership in key sectors, in alignment with an “America First” agenda.</li> <li>• Maximize economic growth and investment opportunities, potentially leading to less emphasis on tax policy reforms that could impact foreign carried interest and cross-border financial flows.</li> <li>• Oppose Canada’s Digital Service Tax (DST).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocate for more stringent reforms on carried interest, aiming to close tax loopholes and ensure that fund managers pay ordinary income tax rates on their carried interest earnings.</li> <li>• Foster collaboration with Canada on tax policy to enhance mutual regulatory compliance and economic stability.</li> <li>• Focus on ensuring that multinational corporations pay their fair share of taxes.</li> </ul>
<h2 style="text-align: center;">Trade</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impose a 10% tariff on all products imported into the US</li> <li>• Aggressively renegotiate tariff disputes and the USMCA to better align with US economic interests.</li> <li>• Reduce regulatory constraints and advocate for policies that favor domestic industries, potentially leading to more contentious trade relations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Address tariff disputes through diplomatic negotiations, aiming to reduce trade barriers and promote fair trade practices.</li> <li>• Harmonize regulatory standards to facilitate smoother cross-border trade and investments while supporting policies that address environmental and social concerns.</li> <li>• Streamline customs and border procedures.</li> </ul>
<h2 style="text-align: center;">Technology</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Push for stronger US regulations and standards for data privacy and protection, potentially including policies that limit data transfers.</li> <li>• Emphasize aggressive enforcement of US patents and copyrights, potentially seeking greater collaboration with Canada to combat intellectual property theft and counterfeiting.</li> <li>• Strengthen US defenses against cyber threats and push for enhanced cooperation with Canada on security measures, possibly including joint initiatives to combat hacking and data breaches.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advocate for robust, yet harmonized, data privacy and protection standards that balance privacy with the need for cross-border data flow.</li> <li>• Support enhanced cross-border cooperation to protect innovations and patents, promoting a shared framework that addresses intellectual property theft and fosters innovation in both nations.</li> <li>• Strengthen US defenses against cyber threats and push for enhanced cooperation with Canada on information sharing and coordinated responses to cyberattacks.</li> </ul>

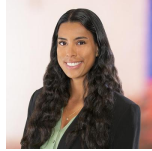
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