

# Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking

Nanos Weekly Tracking, ending March 21, 2014  
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# Weekly Nanos Party Power Index



*Liberals Still Score Highest on Nanos Party Power Index, Harper trends up over past four weeks.  
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Overall, the Liberals continue to receive higher Nanos Party Power Index Scores compared to the other federal parties (Liberals 58 points out of 100, Conservatives 51 points, NDP 48 points, Green Party 30 points).

Harper continues to narrow the gap with Trudeau when Canadians are asked who their top preference is for Prime Minister. Trudeau has a numeric lead at 31 percent, followed by Harper at 29 percent, Mulcair at 18 percent, and May at 5 percent. Of note, when asked independent questions as to who has the qualities of a good political leader, Trudeau hits 53 percent, Harper 52 percent, Mulcair 48 percent, and May is at 26 percent. Over the past four weeks, Harper is up four points on this measure.

At the end of February, 48 percent of Canadians thought Harper had the qualities of a good political leader. As of the current wave, this is now at 52 percent. This has occurred over the same period where there has been a significant focus on foreign policy issues such as the Ukraine and Crimea.

# About the Index



## *Weekly Nanos Party Power Index*

Since voters are not actually able to make a choice between elections, it is interesting to think about party strength and support more broadly. The Nanos Party Power Index fills this need by incorporating more information than just current vote preference.

The Nanos Party Power Index is a weekly composite measurement of federal party brands based on four questions about the federal parties and their leadership. The questions include:

- a ballot question that captures the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> vote preferences;
- a measure of whether the respondent would consider voting for the party;
- the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> preferences for Prime Minister of the current federal leaders; and,
- whether the respondent believes each current leader has the quality to be a good leader.

**The views of 1,000 respondents are compiled into a diffusion brand index for each party that goes from 0 to 100, where 0 means that the party has no brand strength and 100 means it has maximum brand strength. A score above 50 is an indication of brand strength for the party and its leader at this time.**

**The important factors in this weekly tracking include the direction of the brand strength or weakness and also the brand strength of one federal party relative to another.**

# Party Power Index



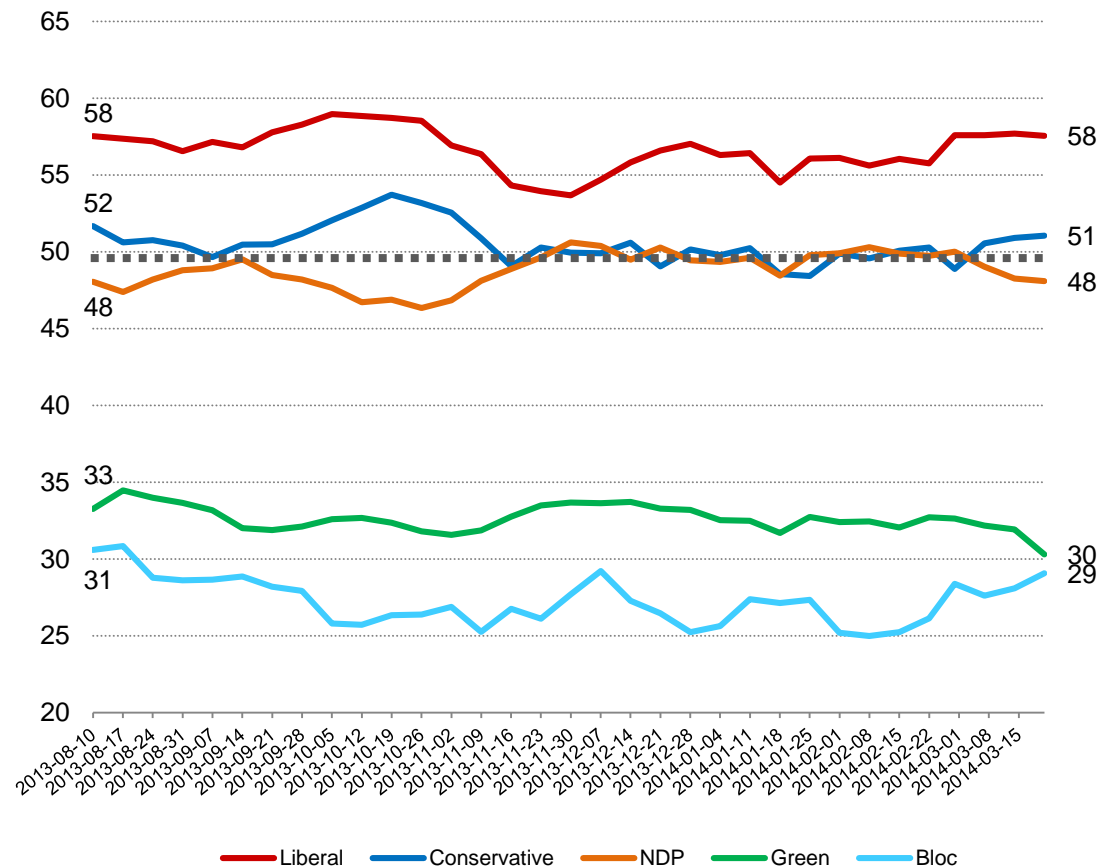
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# *Party Power Index Tracking by Region*

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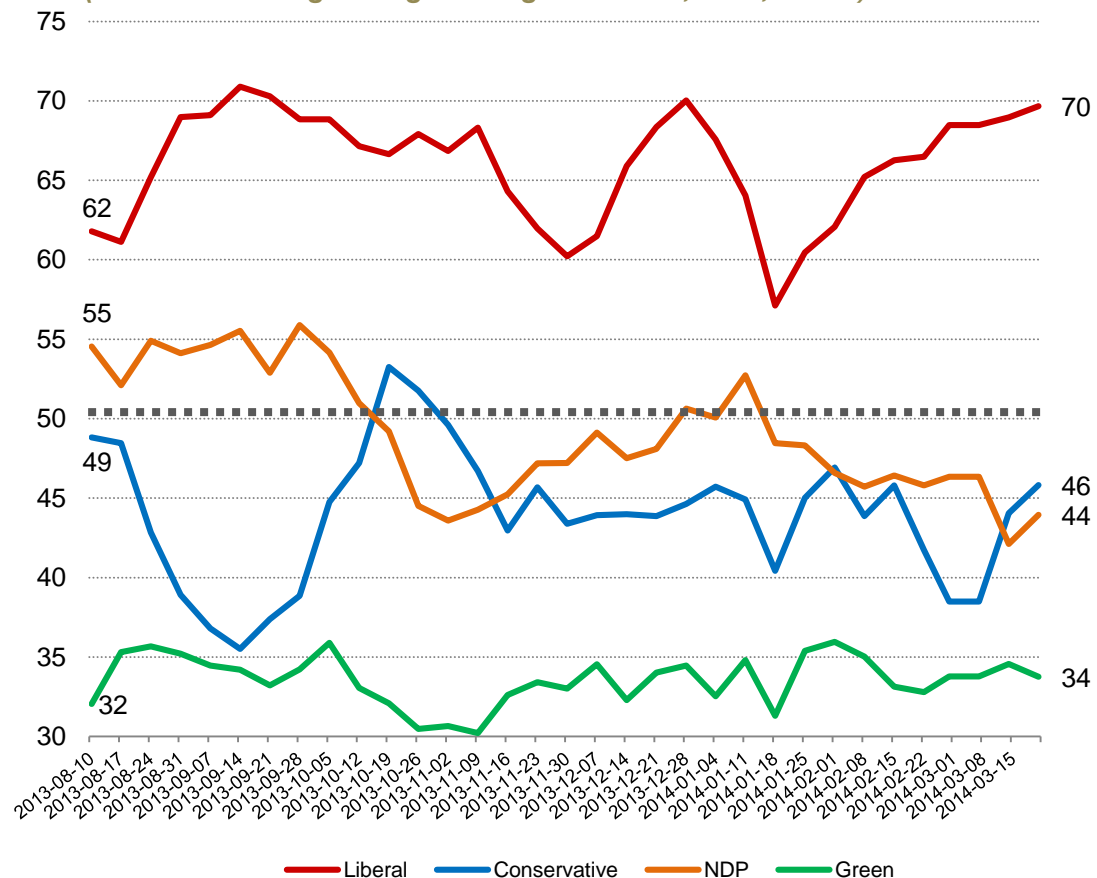
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Atlantic is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for regional subsamples.

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## Atlantic Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=100)



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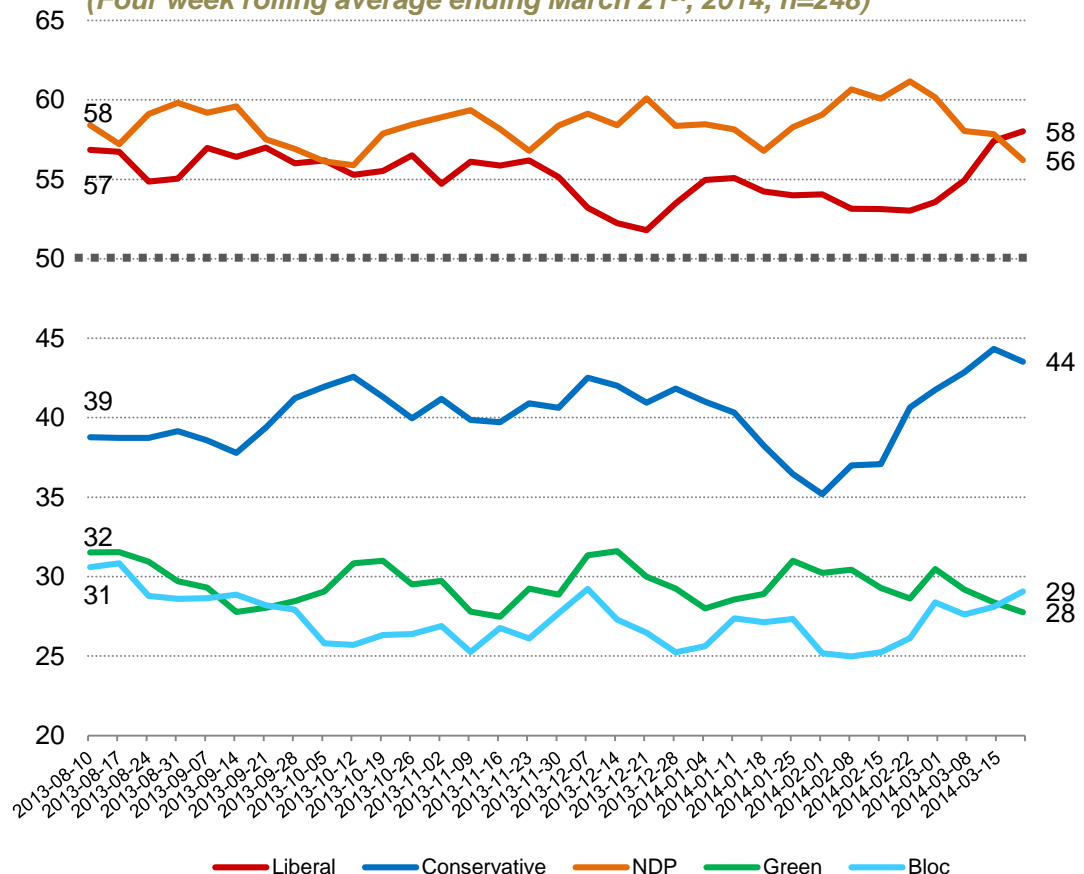
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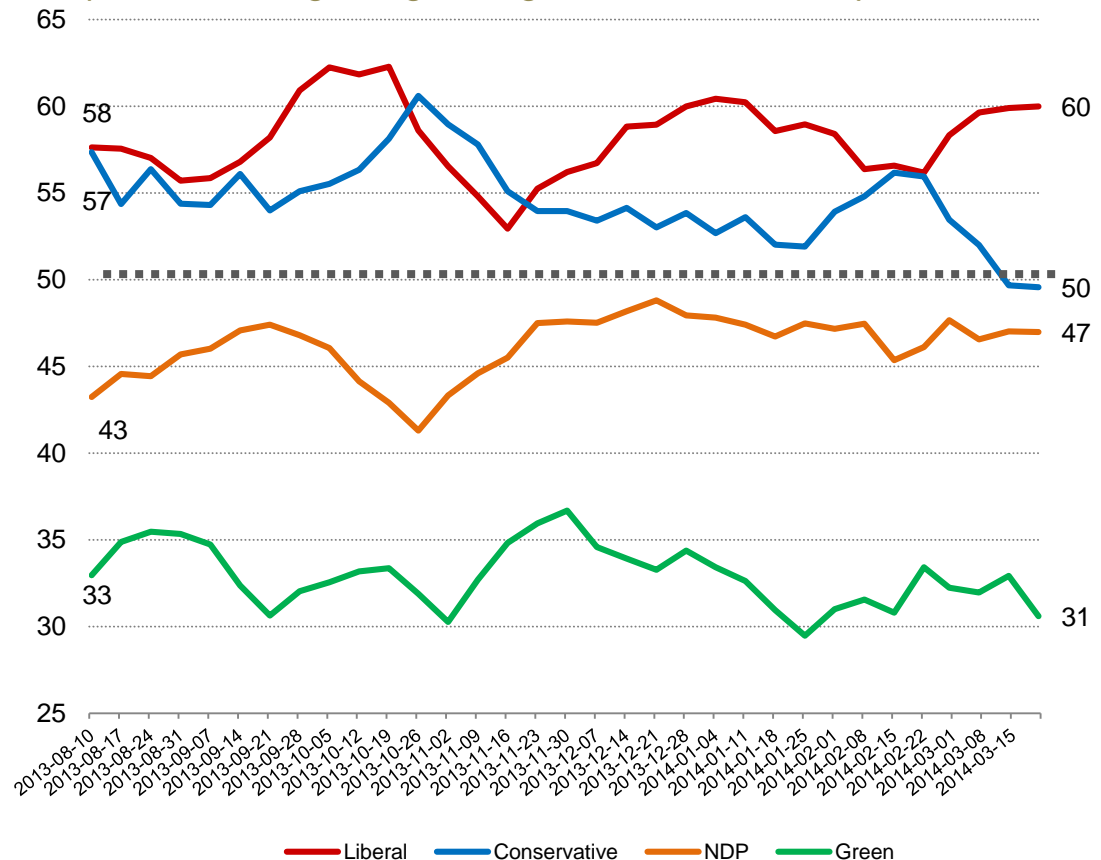
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## Ontario Weekly Index Tracking Scores

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# Party Power Index



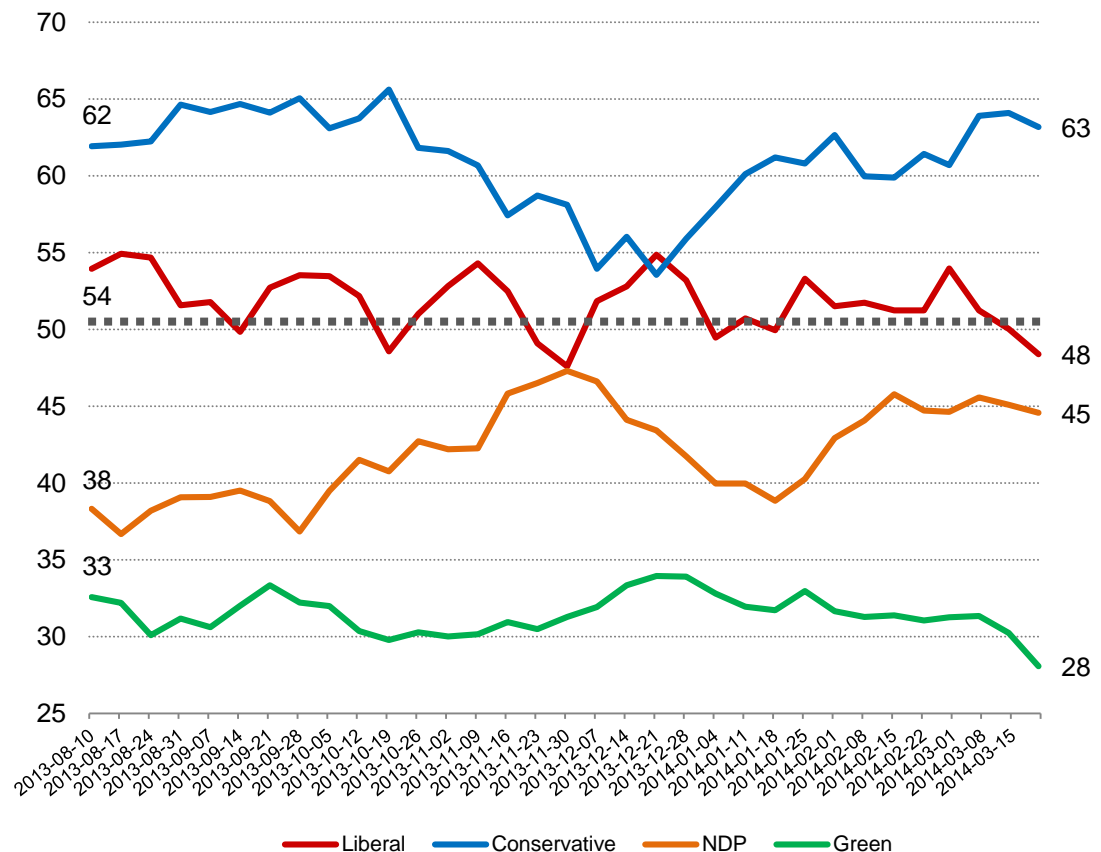
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Prairies is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for regional subsamples.

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**Prairies Weekly Index Tracking Scores**  
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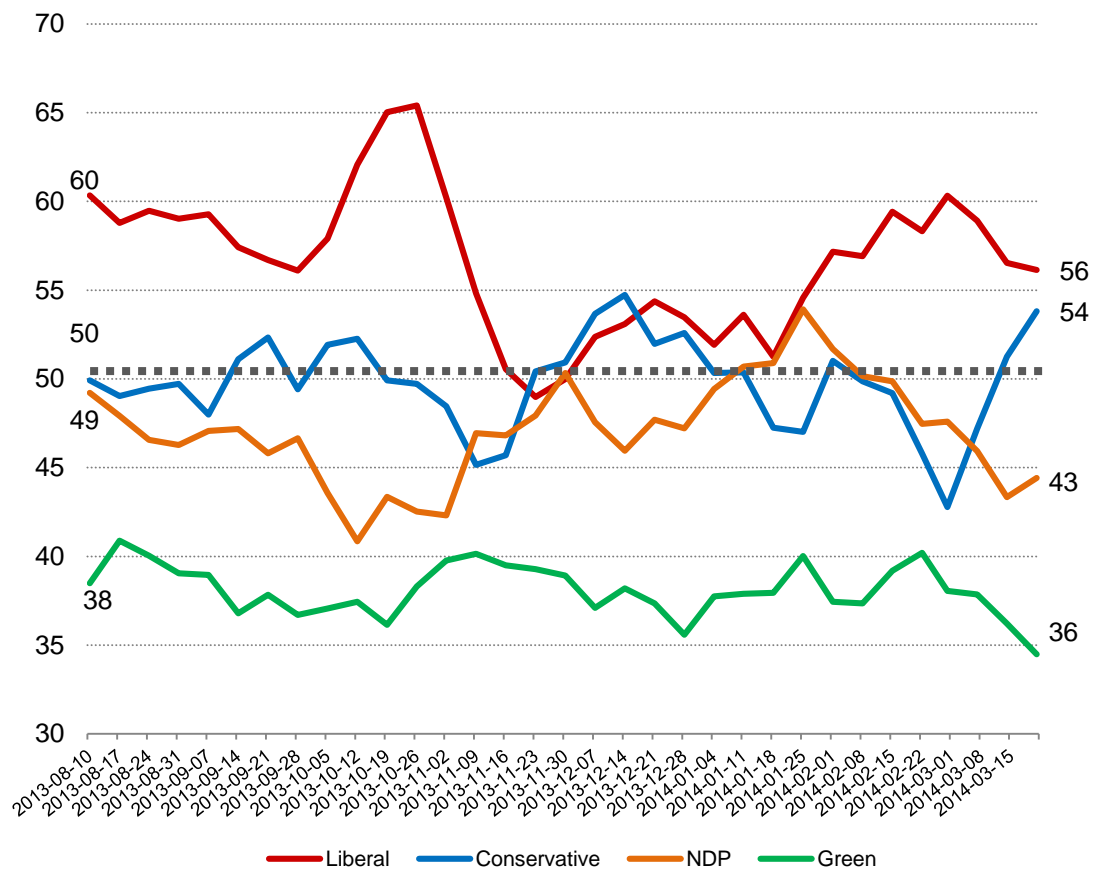
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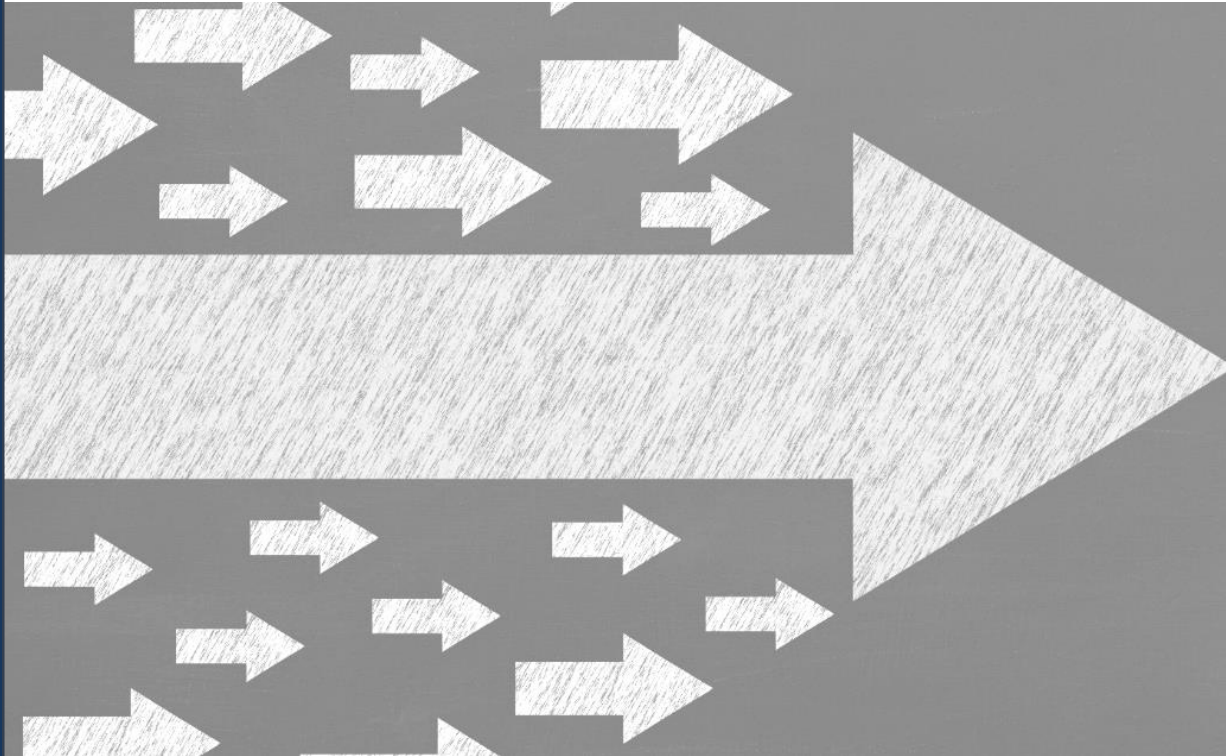
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## British Columbia Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=152)



# *Party Power Index Tracking by Age*

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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 18 to 29 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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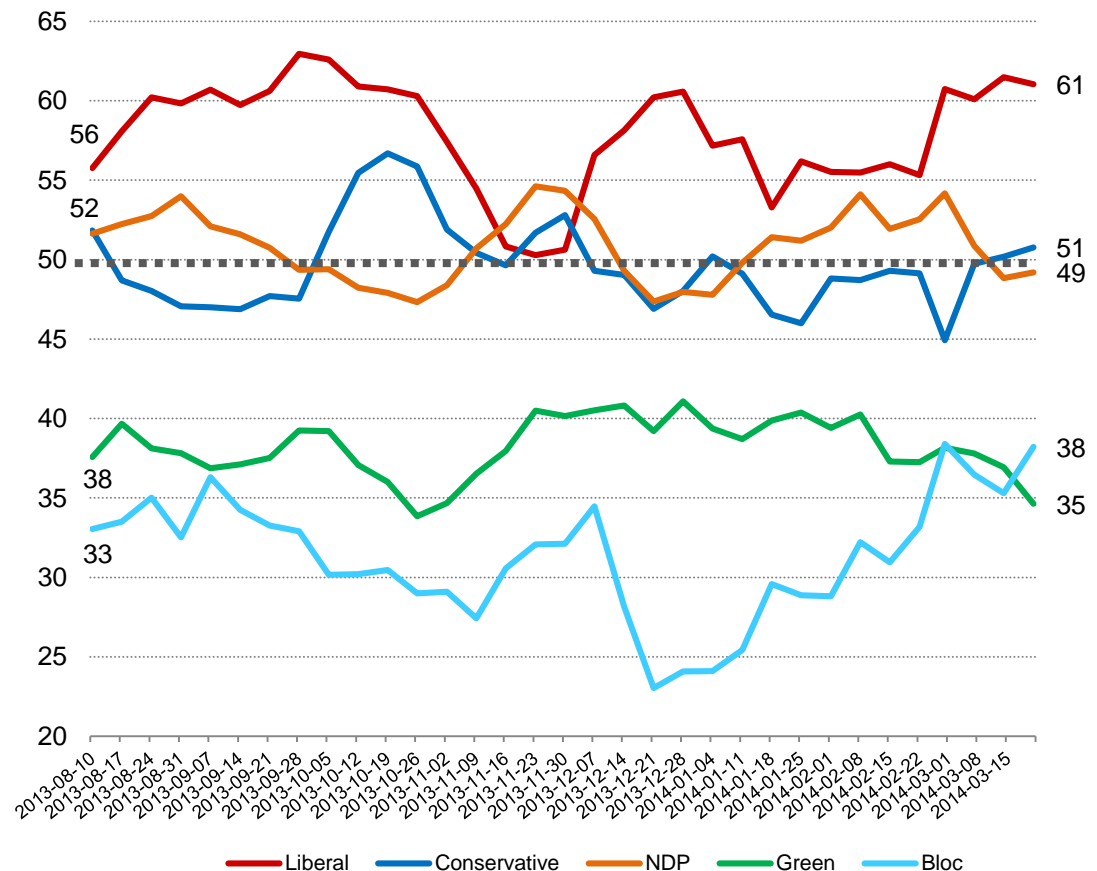
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## 18 to 29 Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=206)



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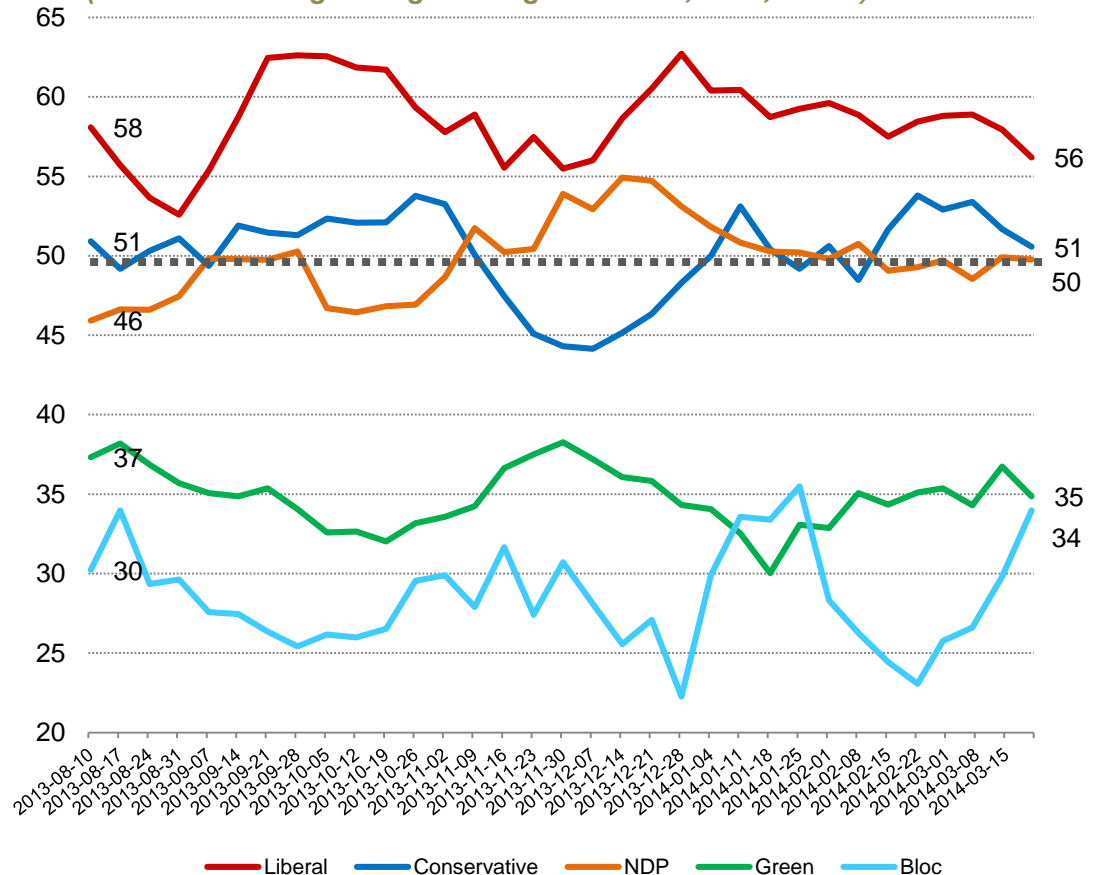
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 30 to 39 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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## 30 to 39 Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=169)





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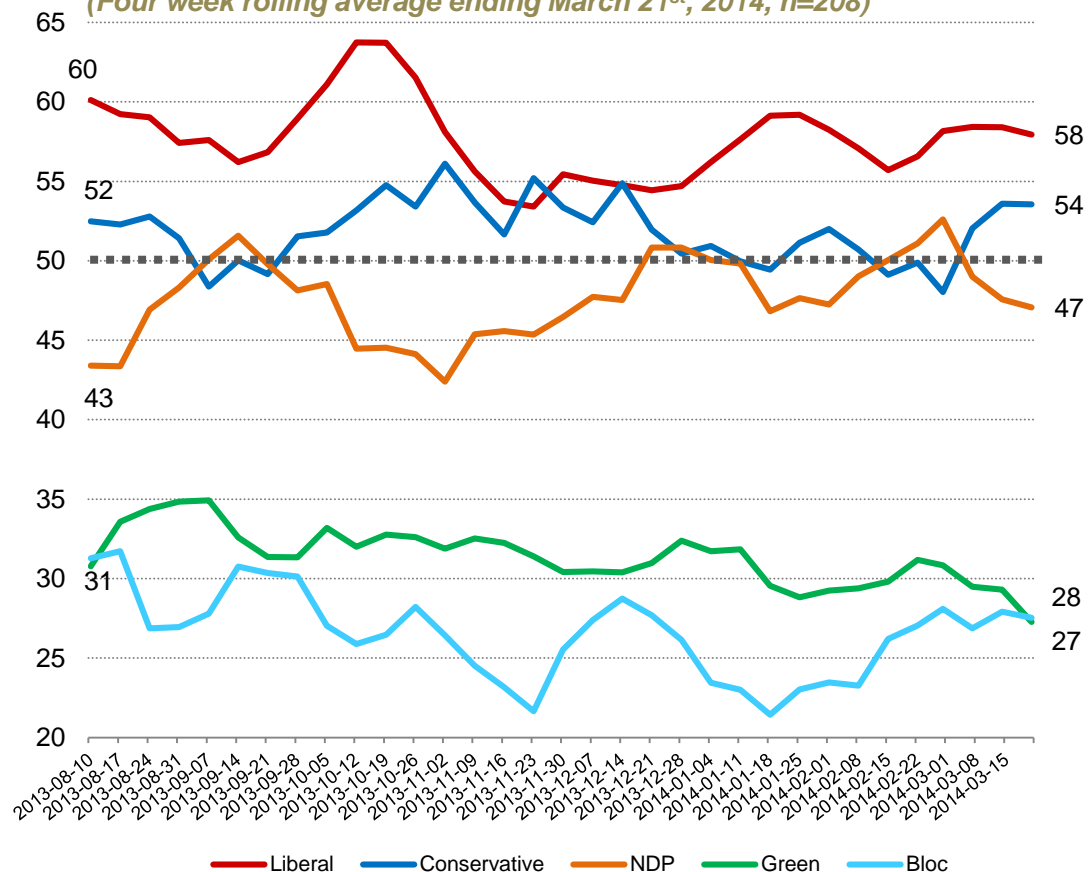
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 40 to 49 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for PM, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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## 40 to 49 Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=208)



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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 50 to 59 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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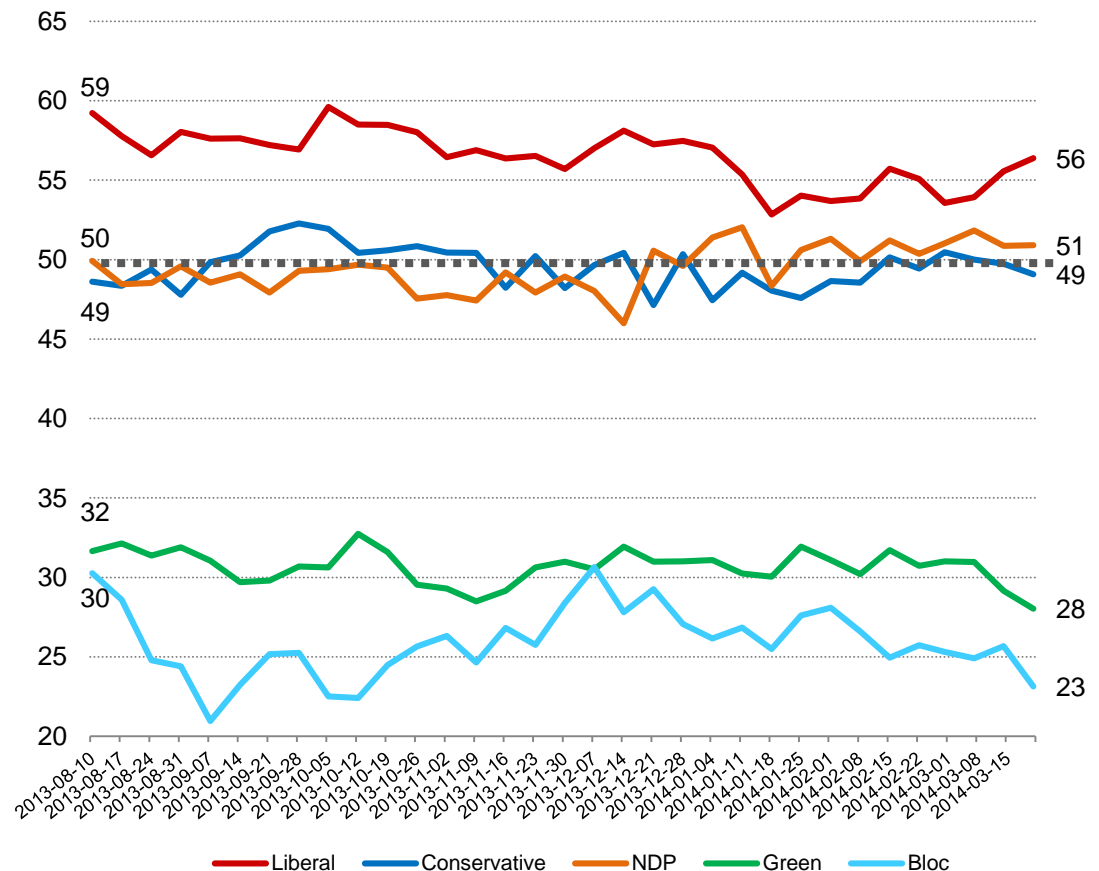
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## 50 to 59 Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=178)



# Party Power Index



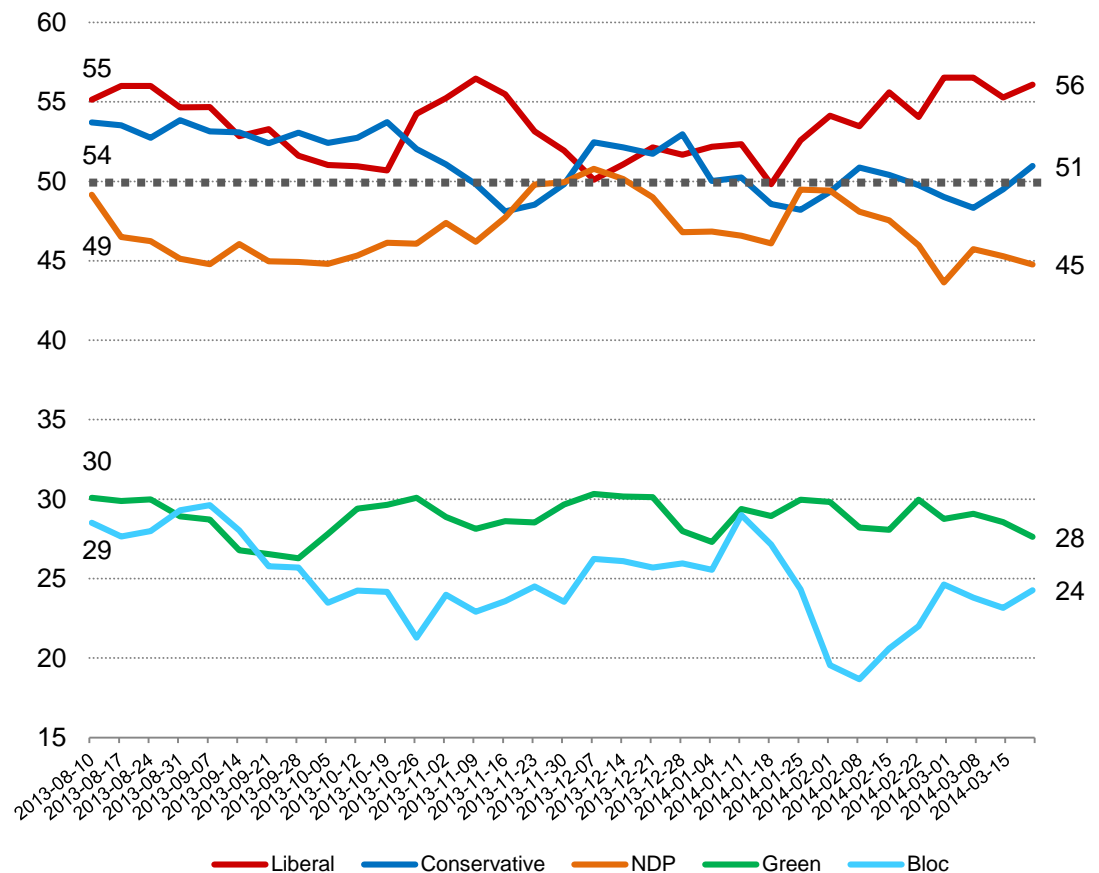
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 60 plus age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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## 60 plus Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=239)



# *Party Power Index Tracking by Gender*

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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for males is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for gender subsamples.

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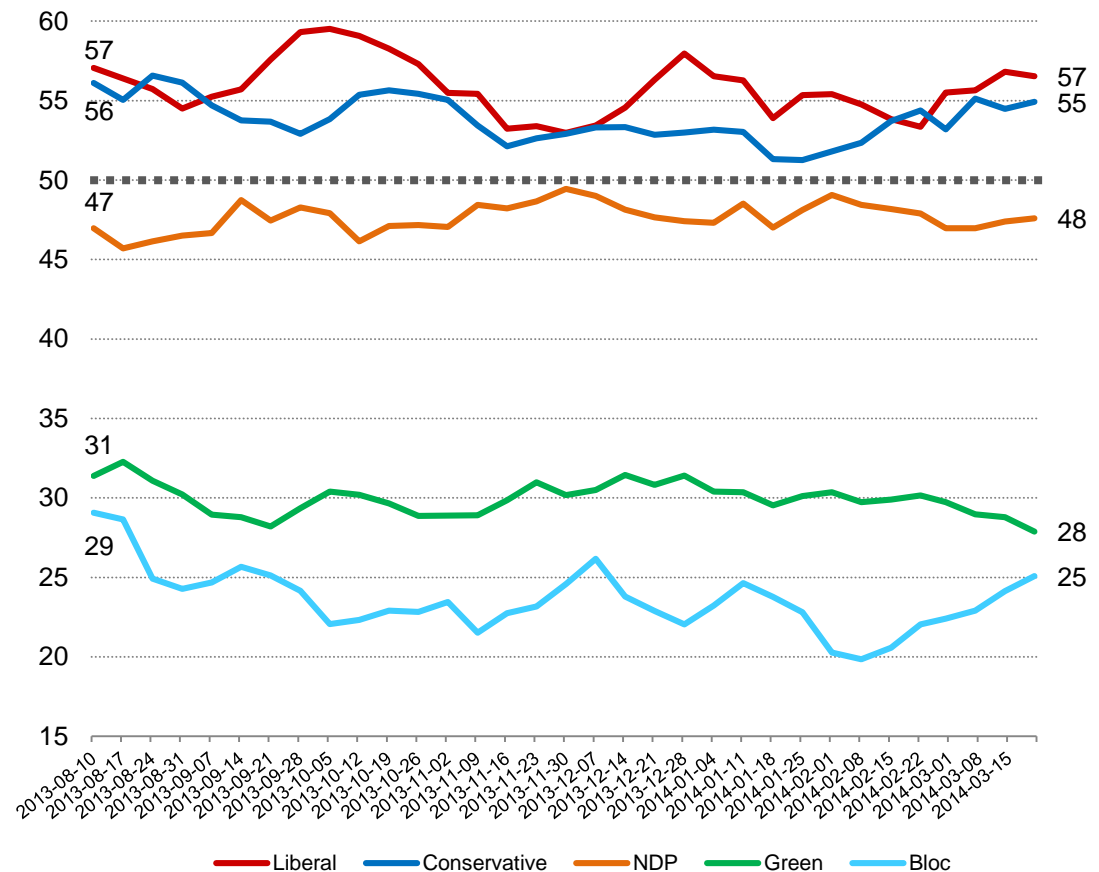
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## Male Weekly Index Tracking Scores

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# Party Power Index



The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for females is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for gender subsamples.

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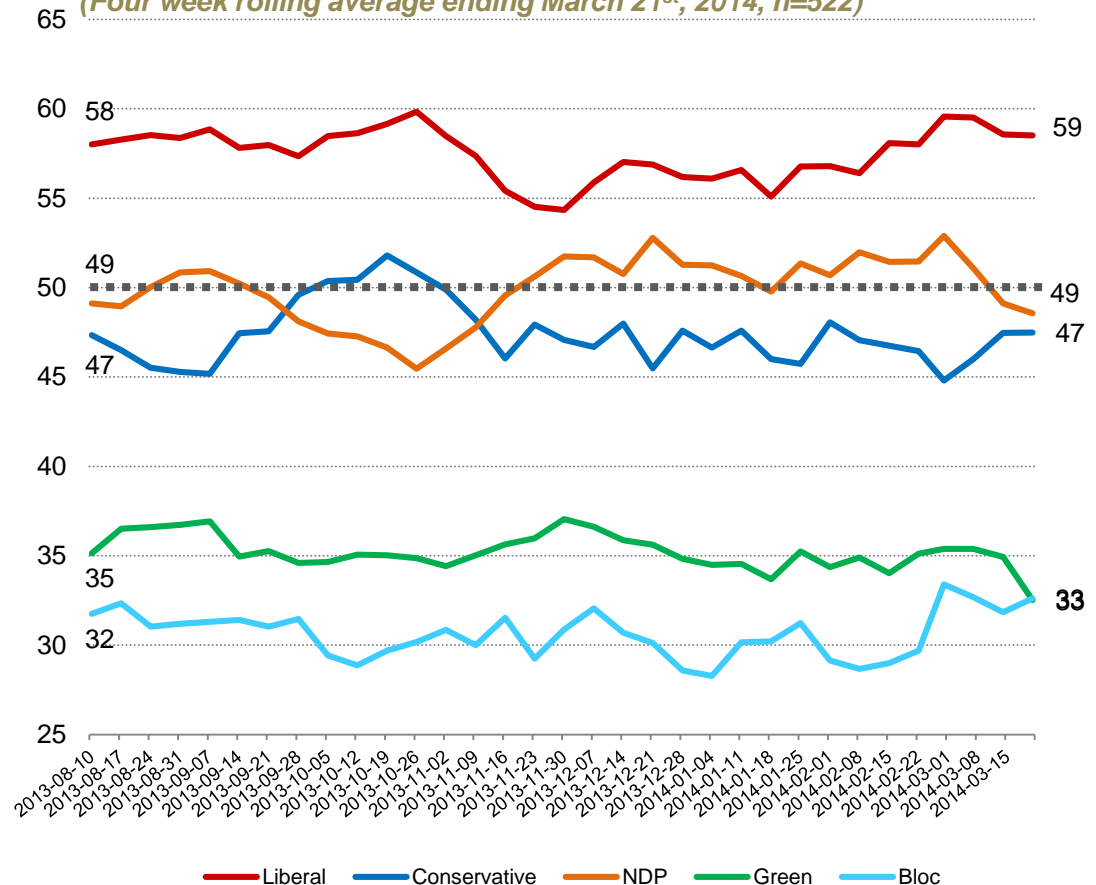
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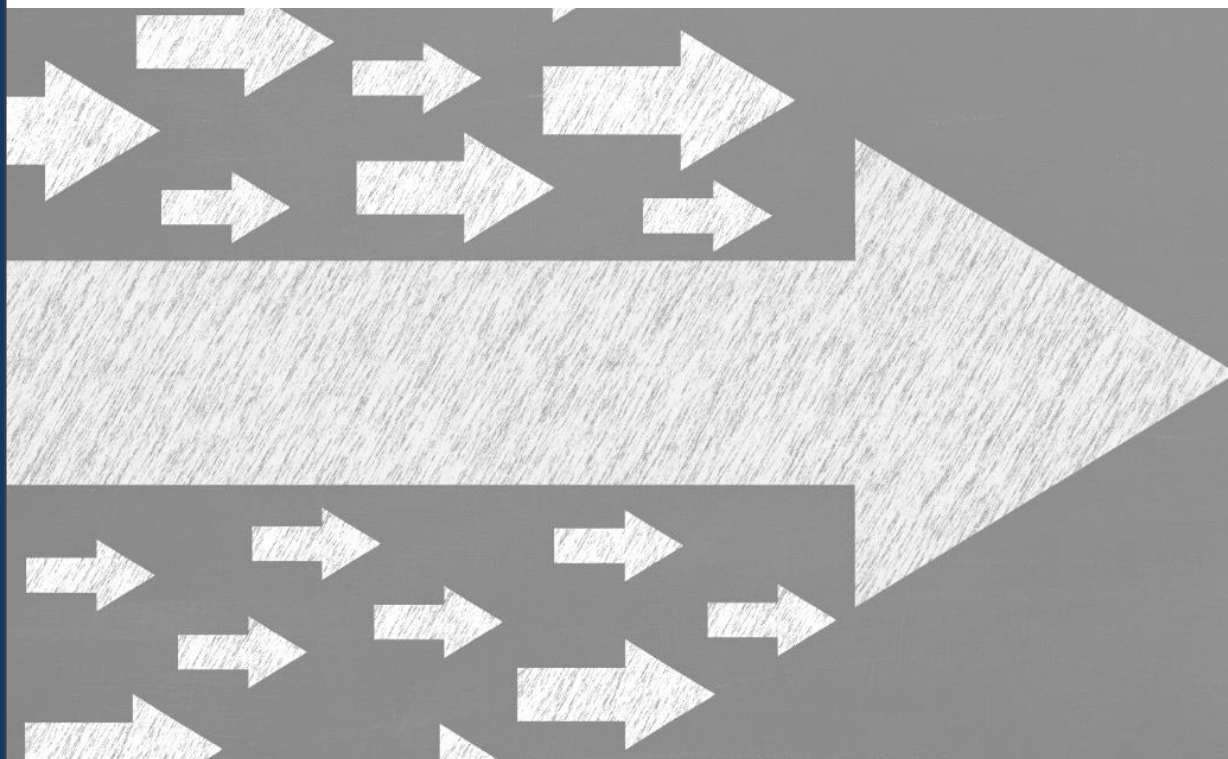
## Female Weekly Index Tracking Scores

(Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=522)



# *National Political Tracking Numbers*

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# National Ballot



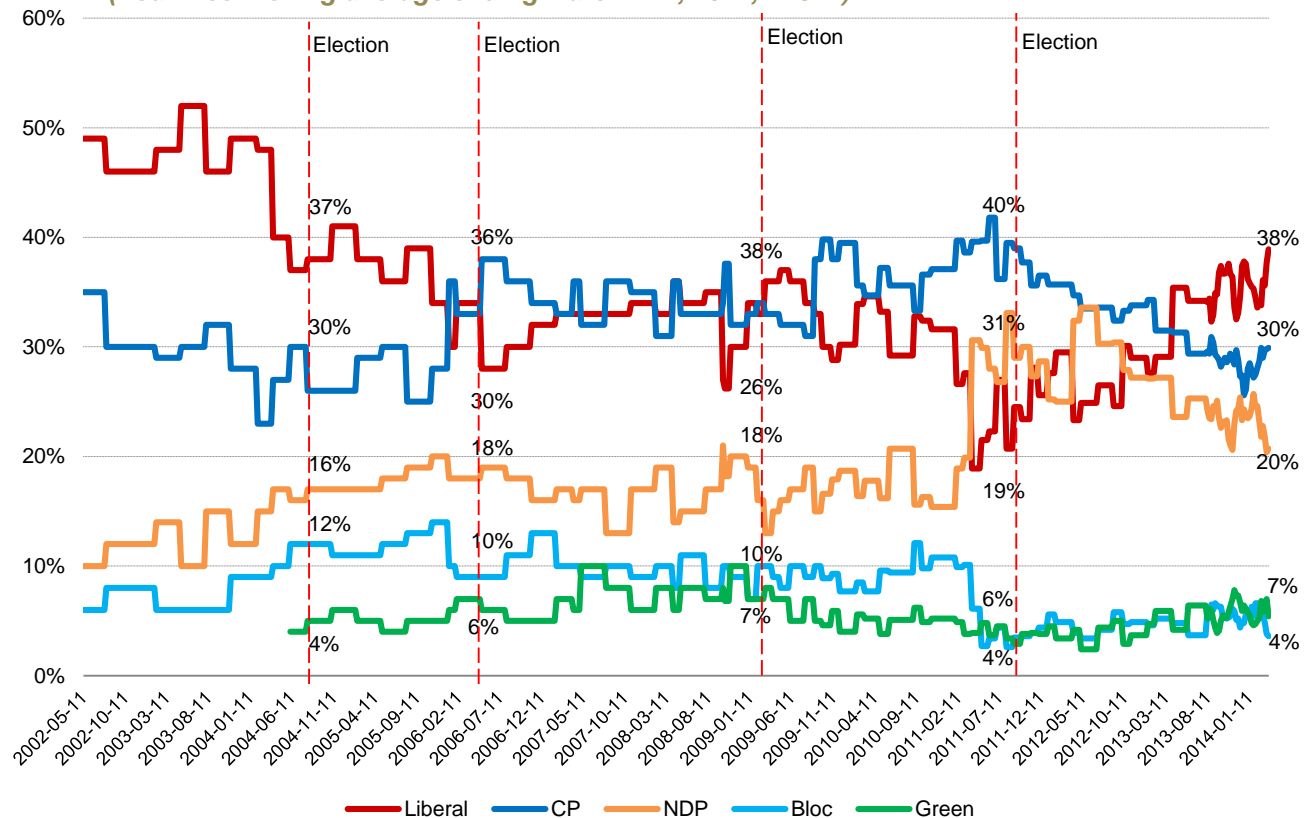
**Question:** For those parties you would consider voting for federally, could you please rank your top two current local preferences?

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# National Issue



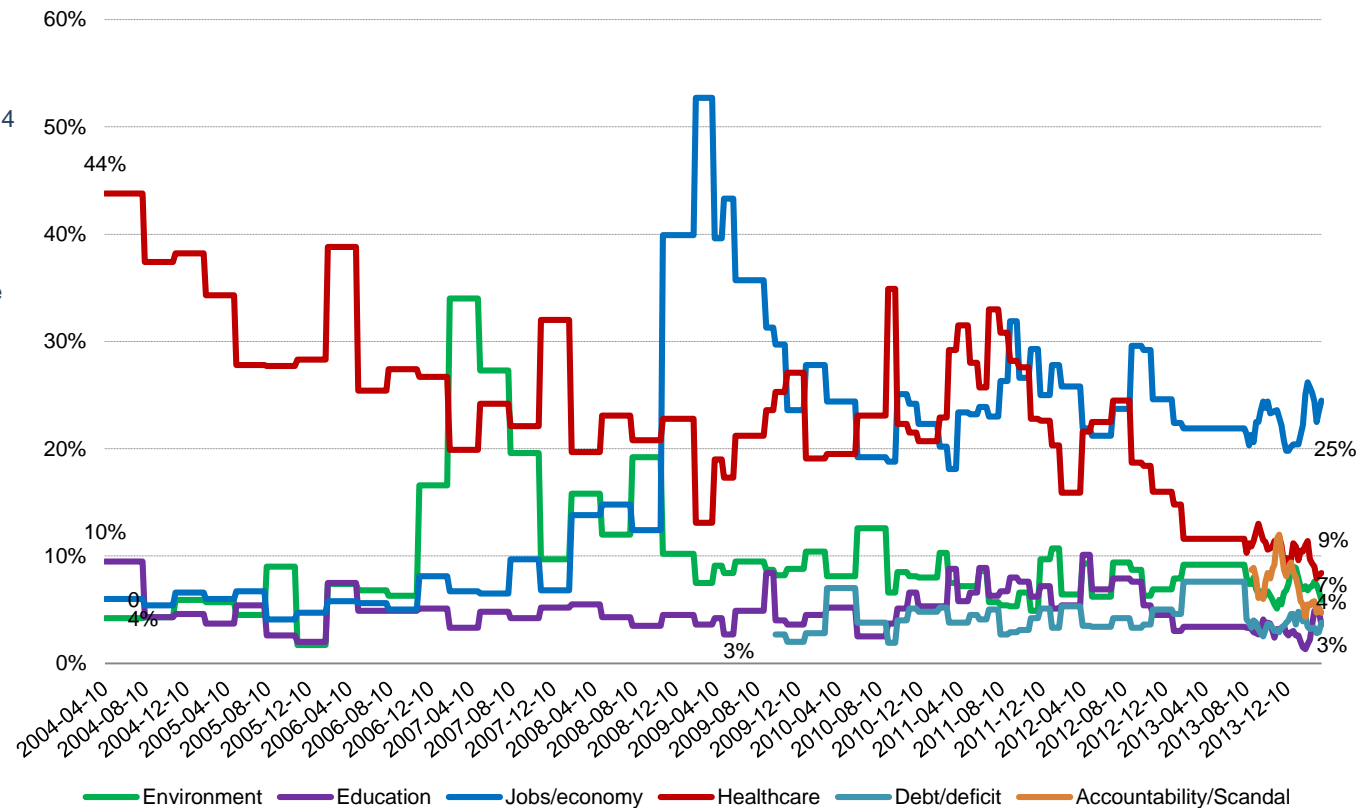
**Question:** What is your most important NATIONAL issue of concern?

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# *Federal Party Accessible Voters*

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# Consider Conservative NANOS

**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Conservative Party

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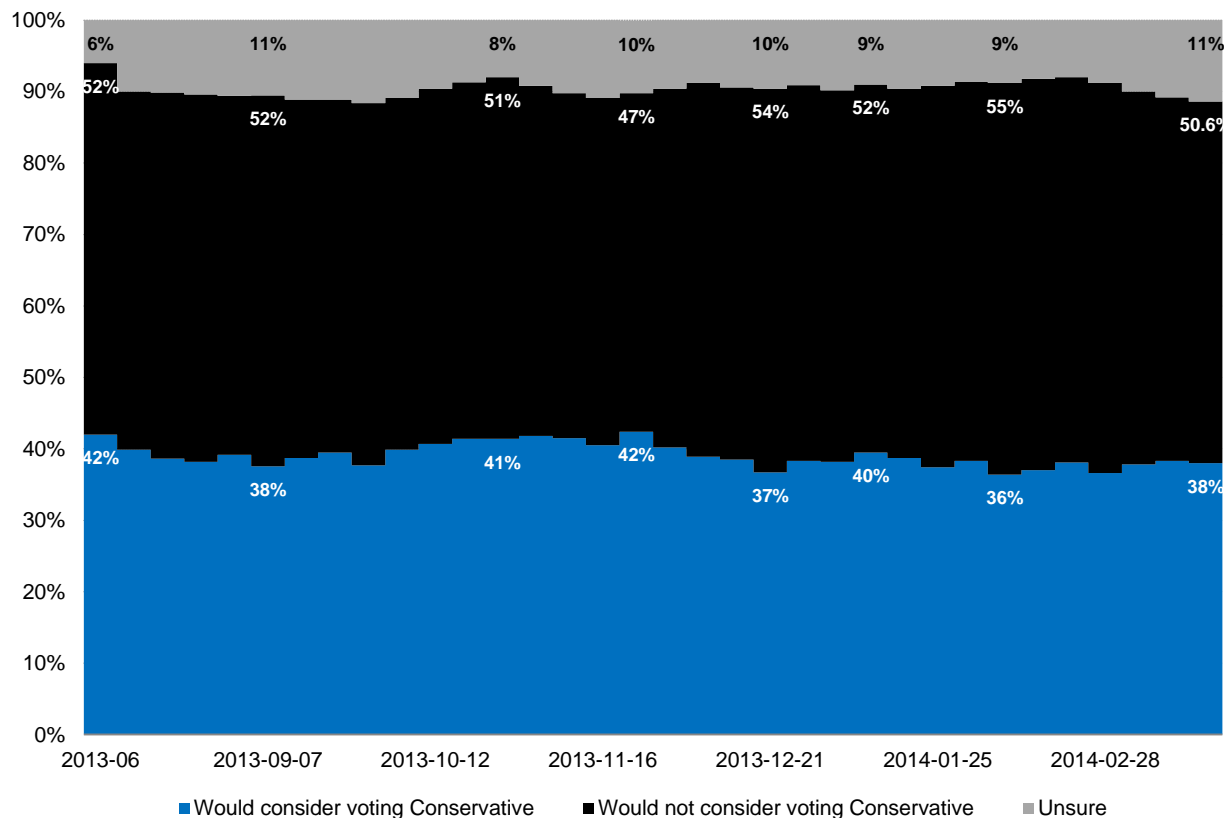
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# Consider NDP



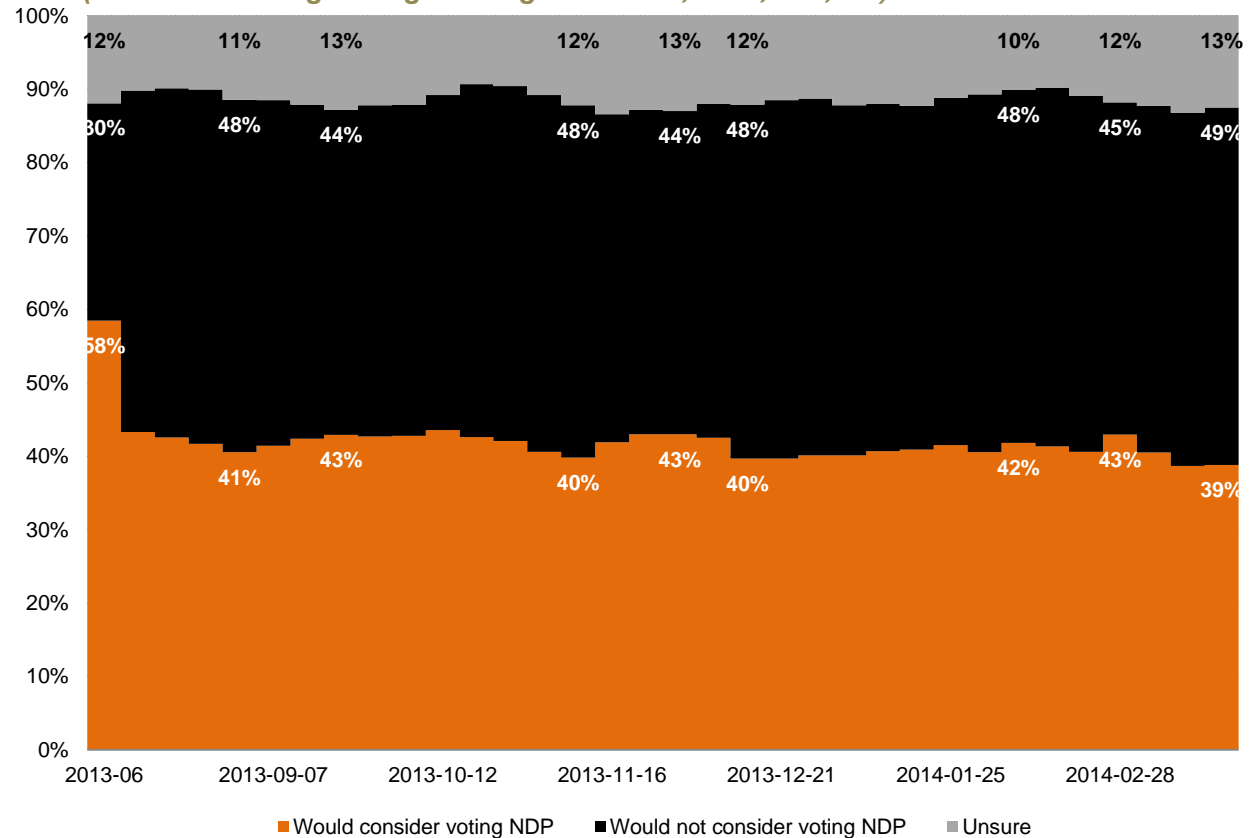
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] NDP

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# Consider Liberal



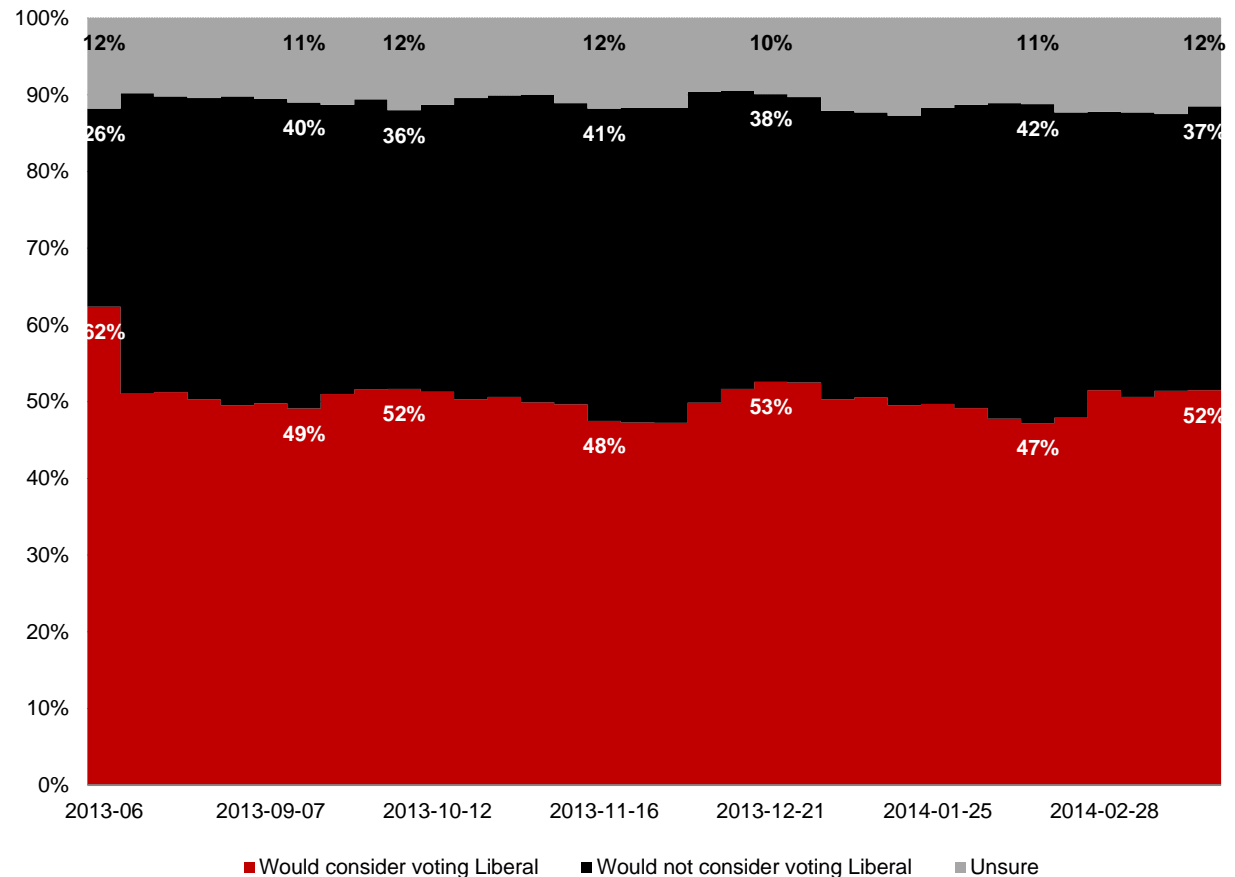
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Liberal Party

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# Consider Bloc



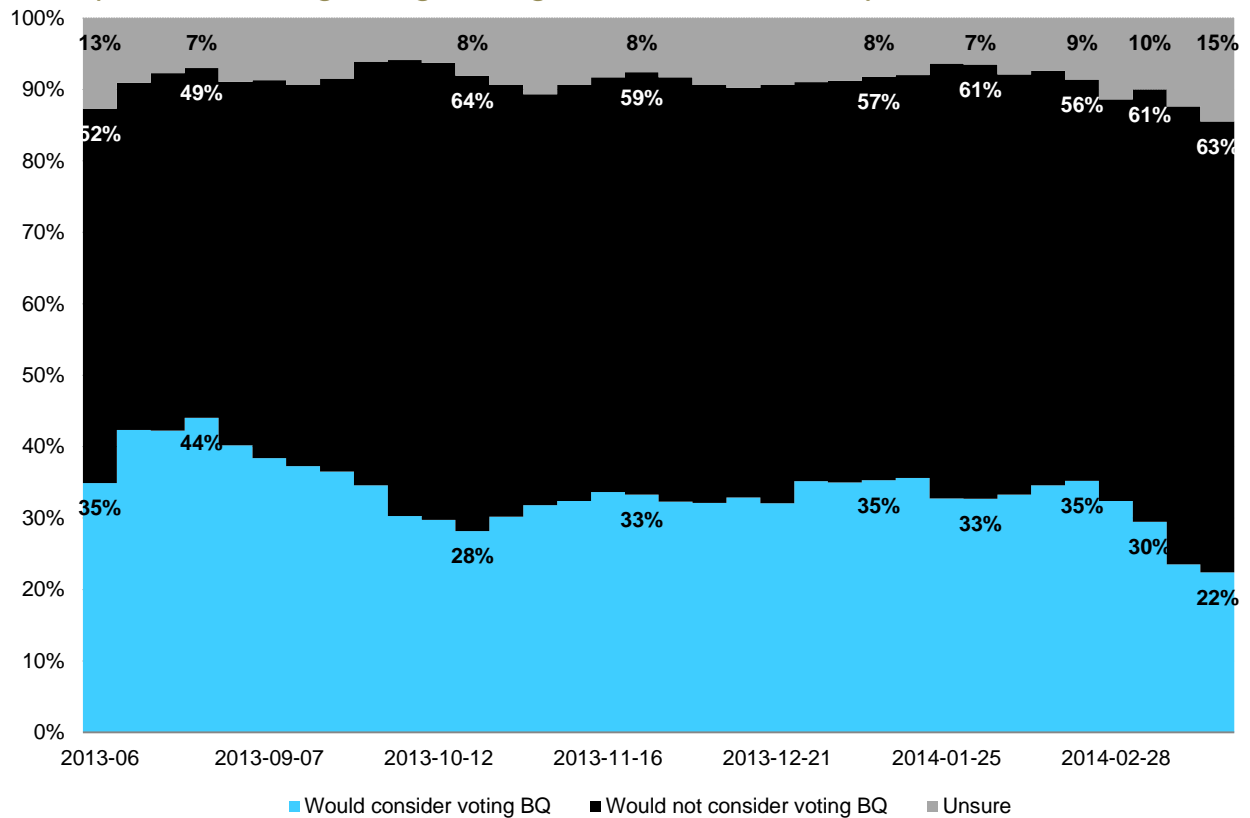
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Bloc Québécois

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# Consider Green



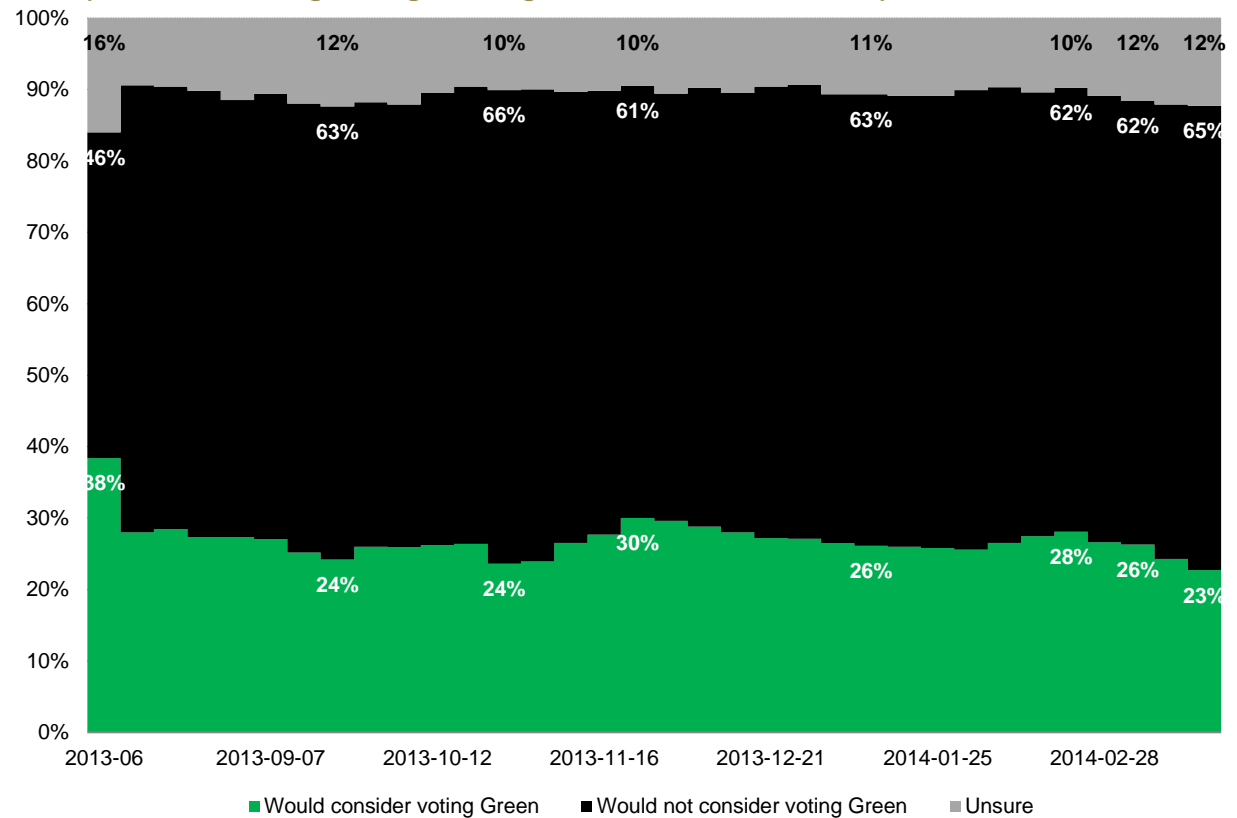
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Green Party

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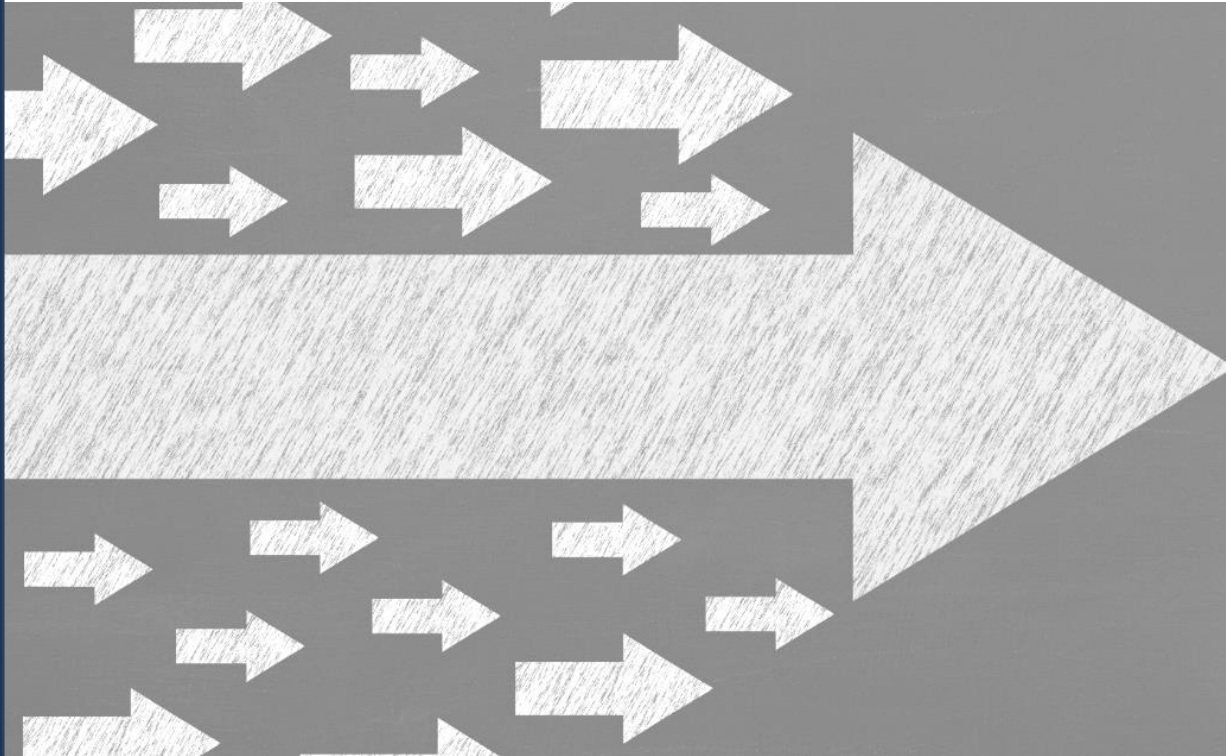
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# *Tracking on the Federal Political Leaders*

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# Prime Minister



**Question:** Of the current federal political party leaders, could you please rank your top two current local preferences for Prime Minister? [ROTATE PARTY LEADERS]

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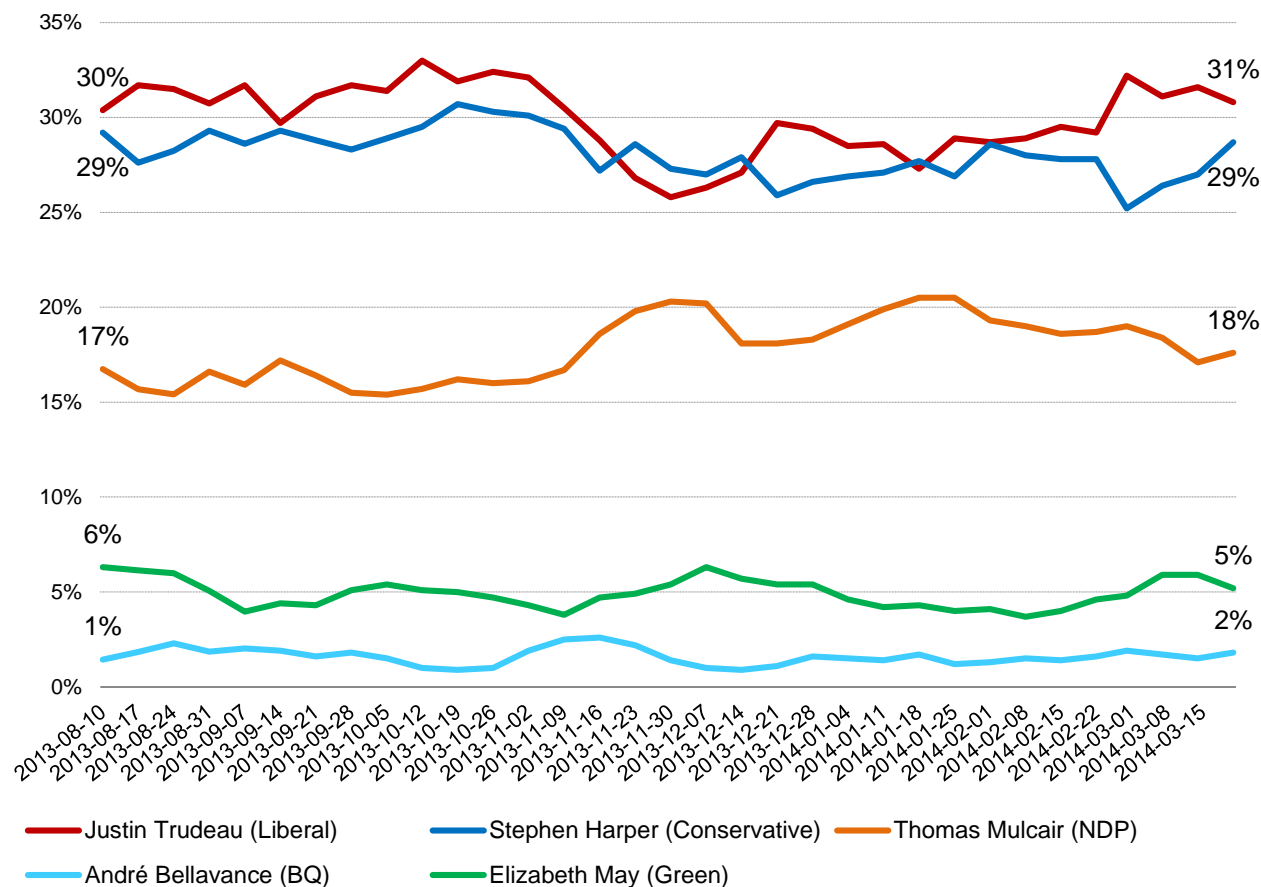
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# Harper



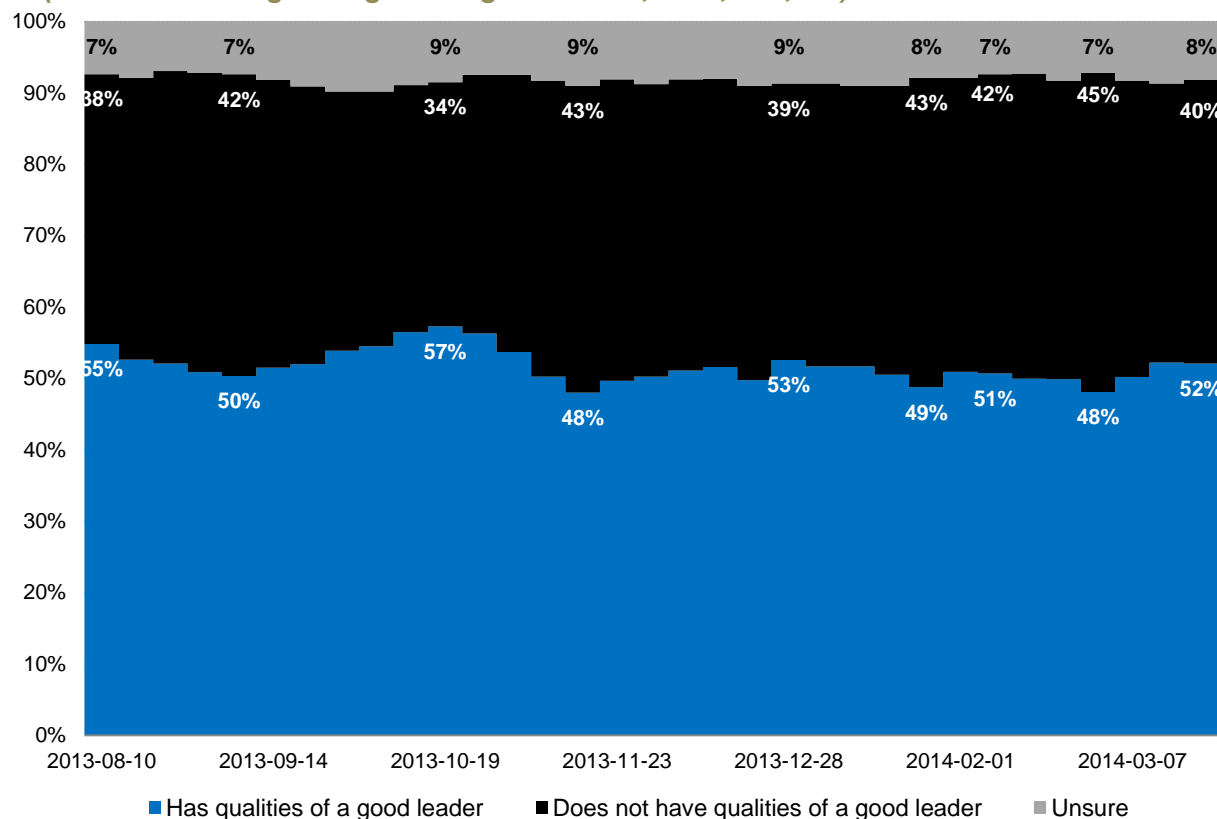
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Stephen Harper

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# Mulcair



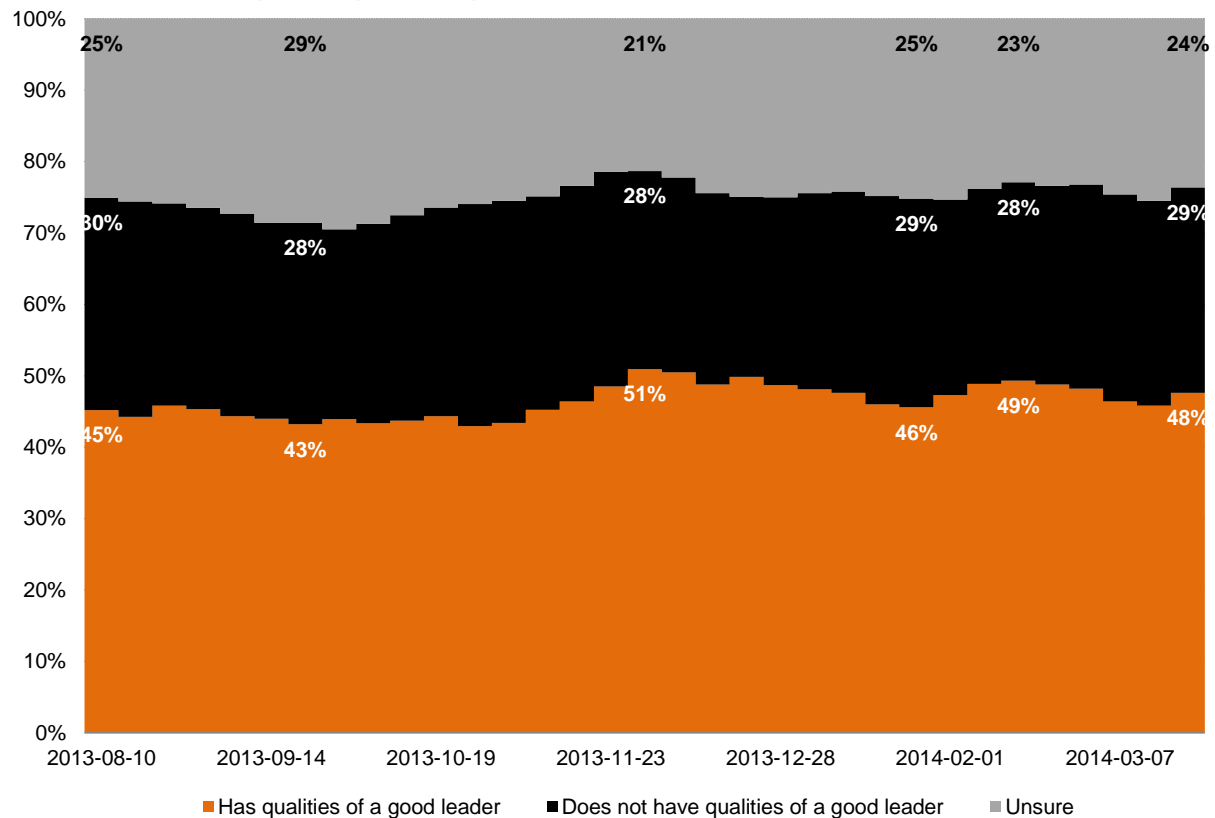
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Thomas Mulcair

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## **National – Weekly Tracking** **(Four week rolling average ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, n=1,000)**



# Trudeau



**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Justin Trudeau

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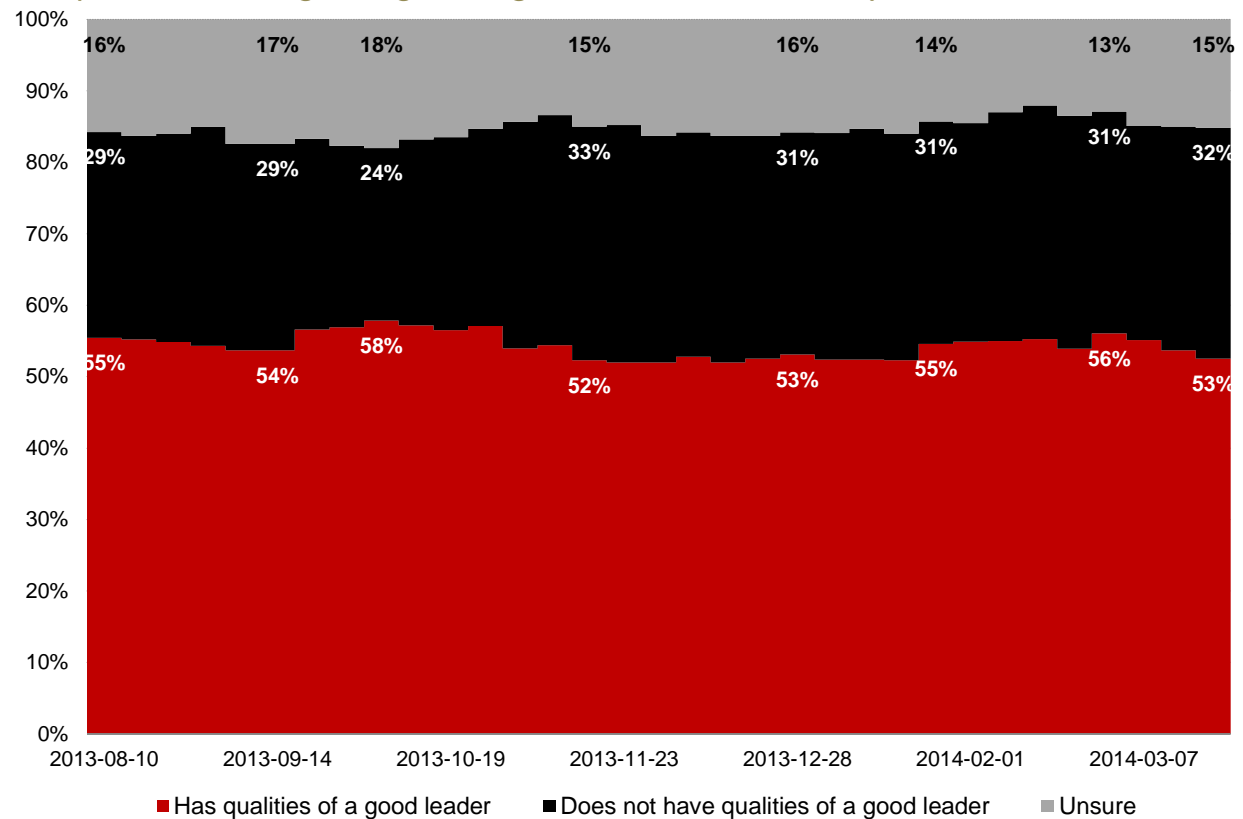
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# Bellavance



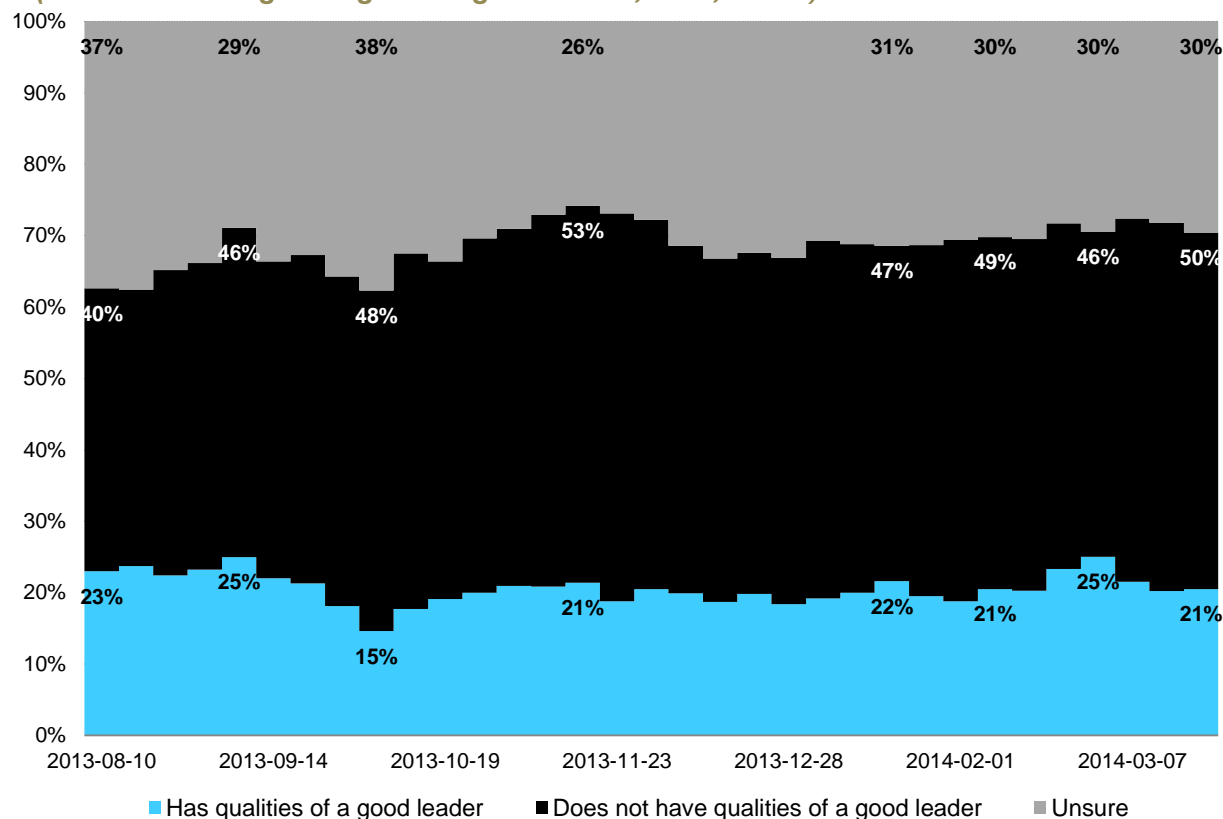
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] André Bellavance

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# May



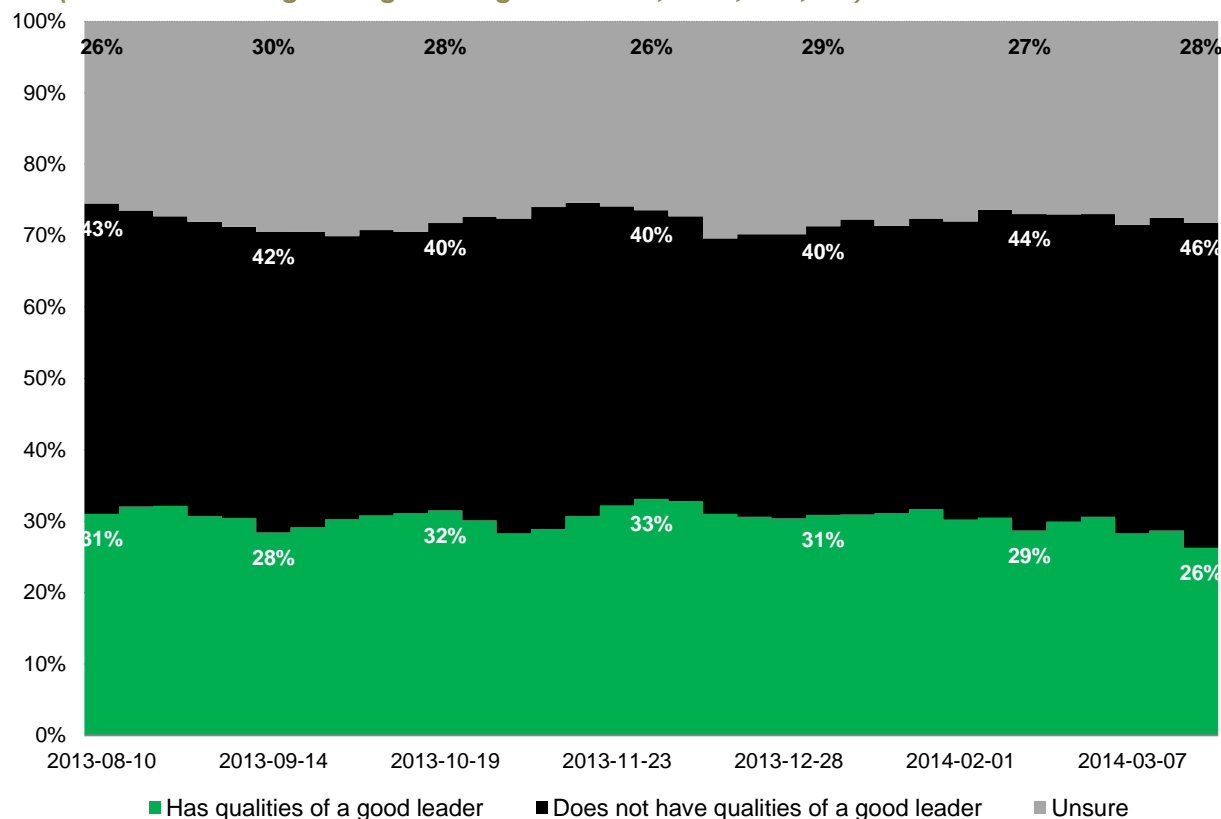
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Elizabeth May

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# Methodology

## Survey Methodology

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The Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking is produced by the Nanos Research Corporation, headquartered in Canada, which operates in Canada and the United States. The data is based on random telephone interviews with 1,000 Canadians (land- and cell-lines), using a four week rolling average of 250 respondents each week, 18 years of age and over. The random sample of 1,000 respondents may be weighted by age and gender using the latest census information for Canada. The interviews are compiled into a four week rolling average of 1,000 interviews, where each week the oldest group of 250 interviews is dropped and a new group of 250 interviews is added. The views of 1,000 respondents are compiled into a diffusion brand index for each party that goes from 0 to 100, where 0 means that the party has no brand strength and 100 means it has maximum brand strength. A score above 50 is an indication of brand strength for the party and its leader at this time.

The current report is based on a four week rolling average of Canadian opinion ending March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

A random telephone survey of 1,000 Canadians is accurate 3.1 percentage points, plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.

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