

# Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking

Nanos Weekly Tracking, ending September 19, 2014  
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# Weekly Nanos Party Power Index



## Federal Liberals continue to ride high in Nanos Party Power Index (Released 09/24/2014)

As we enter the Fall sitting of the House of Commons, the Liberals continue to trend up on the Nanos Party Power Index largely on strengthening scores among the voters under 30 as well as those between the ages of 40 and 49.

The Liberals stand at 59 points out of 100 (a new 12 month high), followed by the NDP at 49 points, the Conservatives at 48 points, the Green Party at 30 points and the BQ at 25 points (QC only). Much of the recent gains for the Liberals have been in Ontario, BC and among Canadians under 30 years of age.

Liberal accessible voters are now at 60 percent (a new 12 month high). Forty six percent of Canadians would consider voting NDP, 40 percent would consider voting for the Conservatives while 27 percent of Canadians would consider voting for the Green Party.

Trudeau continues to enjoy an advantage over Harper on the preferred Prime Minister front. Thirty-four percent of Canadians indicated Trudeau was their preferred choice for PM followed by Harper at 28 percent, Mulcair at 18 percent, and May at five percent.

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## Data Summary

		This Week	Last Week	4 Weeks Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago (Sept 2013)	12 Month High	12 Month Low	12 Month Average
<b>Canada Party Power Index</b>									
	Liberal	59.3	59.1	57.8	56.8	57.7	59.3	53.7	56.6
	NDP	48.9	47.6	49.7	47.9	48.4	52.3	46.3	49.0
	Conservative	48.4	48.4	50.1	51.3	50.4	53.7	48.4	50.6
	Green	30.4	30.7	33.9	34.4	31.8	35.2	30.3	32.8
	Bloc	25.0	26.1	27.8	24.5	28.1	29.2	24.5	26.9
<b>Party Consider</b>									
	Liberal	59.7%	58.5%	52.5%	53.4%	51.0%	59.7%	47.2%	51.9%
	NDP	45.9%	45.1%	42.0%	42.1%	42.9%	45.9%	37.9%	42.2%
	Conservative	40.1%	40.2%	37.7%	38.9%	39.5%	44.1%	36.1%	39.7%
	Bloc	33.9%	33.4%	32.6%	30.8%	36.5%	36.5%	22.4%	31.5%
	Green	26.9%	27.8%	27.2%	32.7%	24.2%	33.1%	22.7%	27.4%
<b>Preferred Prime Minister</b>									
	Trudeau	34.4%	34.0%	31.8%	30.3%	31.1%	34.4%	25.8%	29.9%
	Harper	27.7%	27.7%	27.3%	29.6%	28.8%	32.4%	25.2%	28.5%
	Mulcair	18.1%	16.9%	15.5%	15.7%	16.4%	20.5%	13.7%	17.9%
	May	4.7%	4.8%	6.0%	6.4%	4.3%	6.7%	3.7%	5.3%
	Beaulieu	1.0%	1.5%	1.3%	1.2%	1.6%	2.8%	0.9%	1.7%
	Unsure	14.2%	15.2%	18.1%	16.8%	17.8%	20.2%	12.2%	16.7%

# 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.

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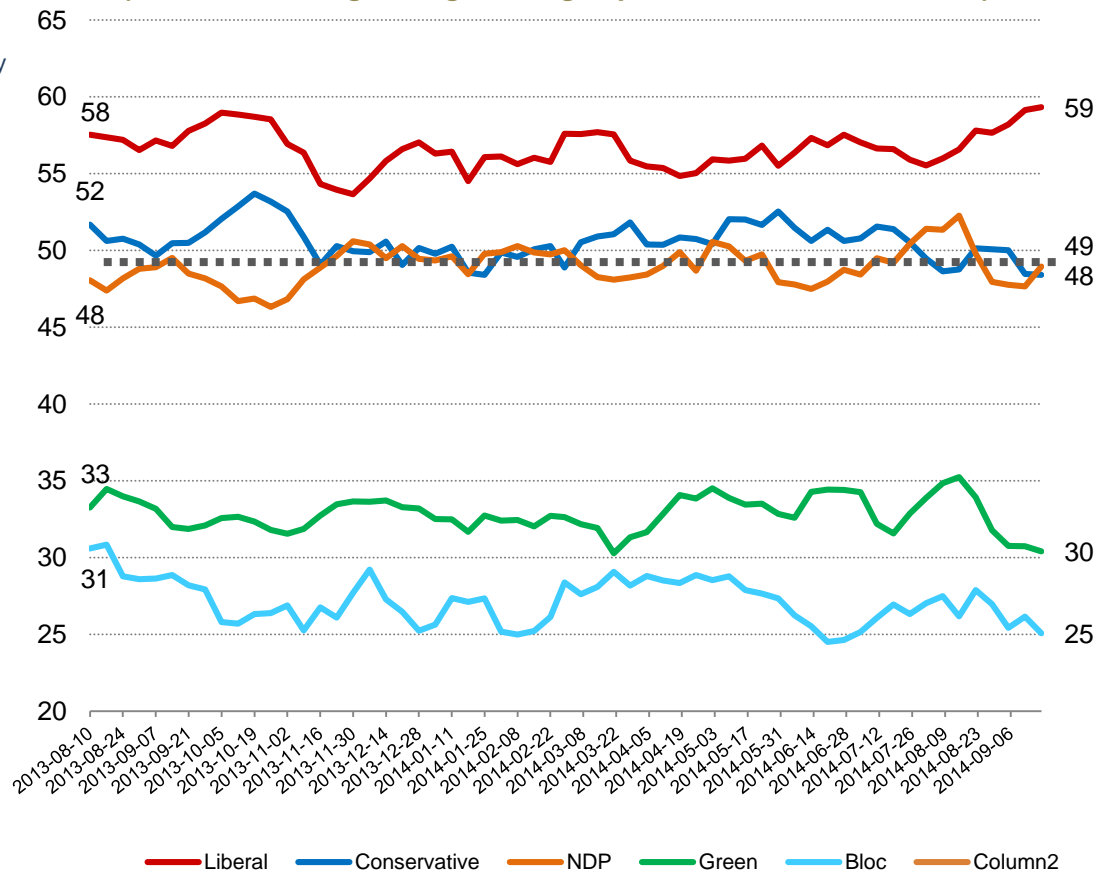
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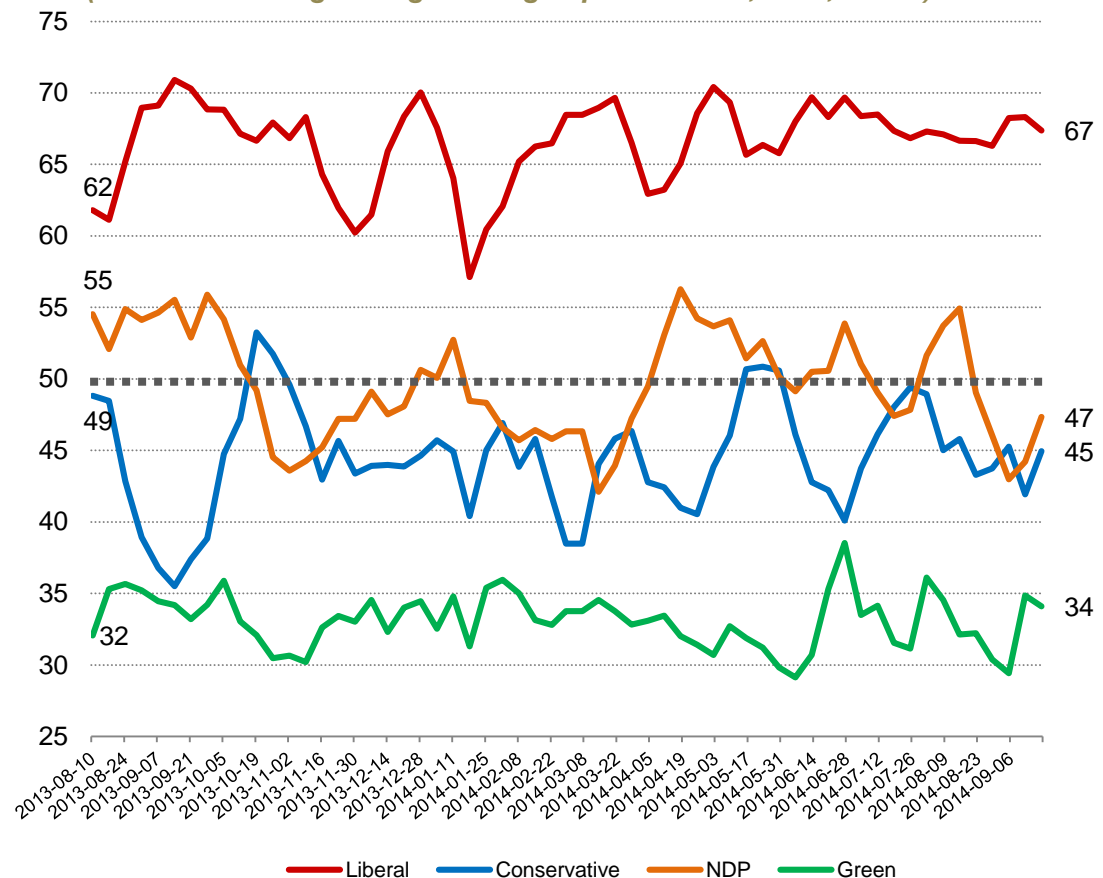
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Atlantic is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are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

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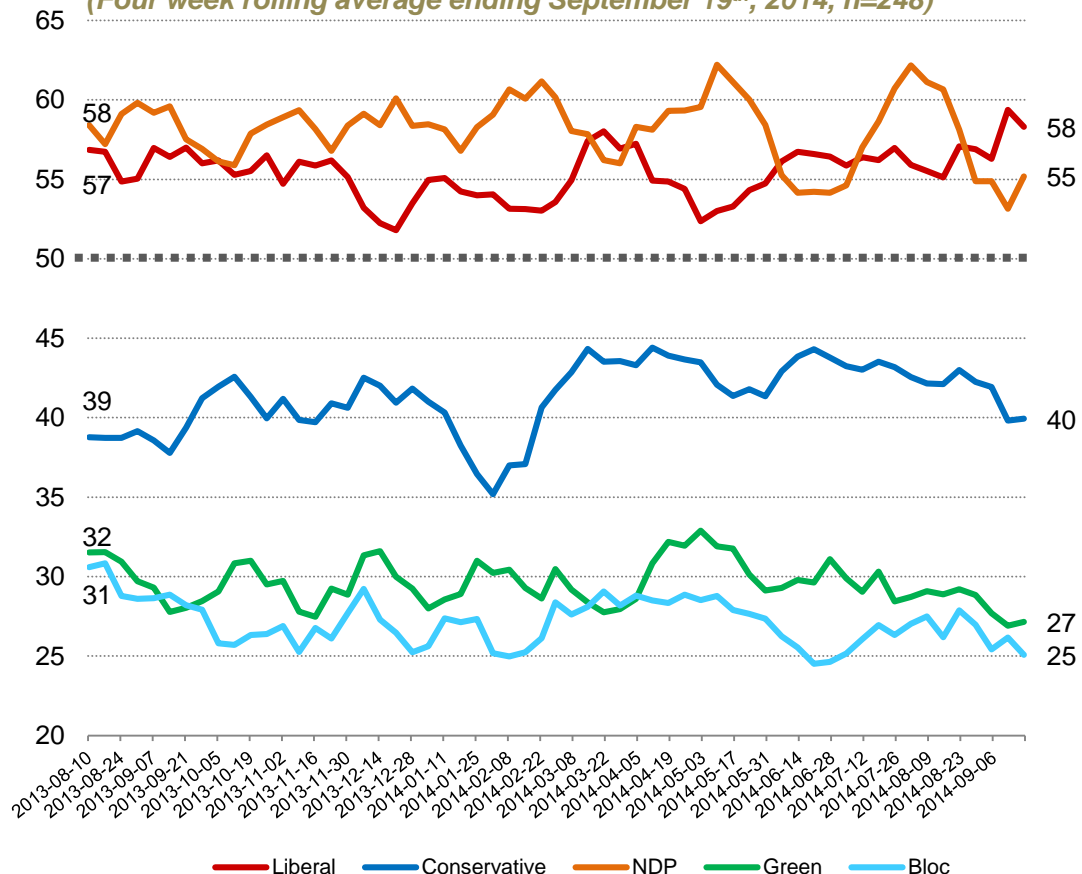
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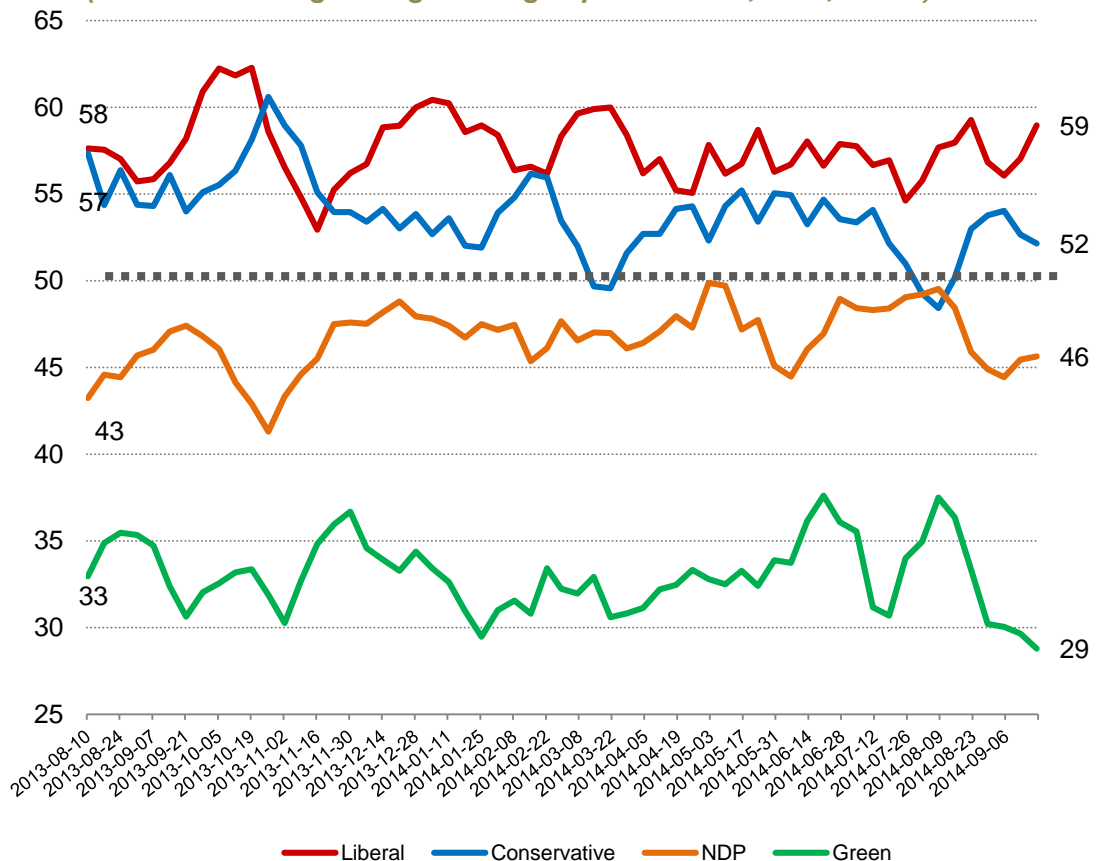
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## Ontario Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=300)



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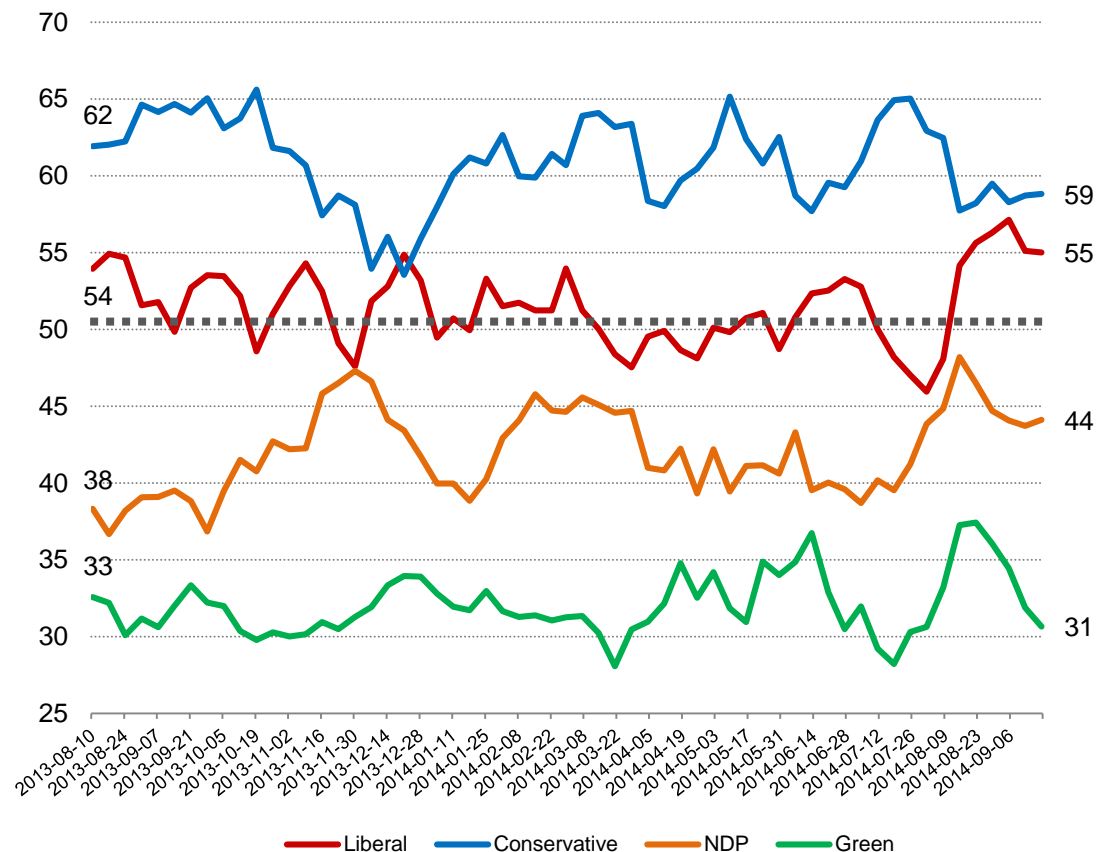
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Prairies is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are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

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## *Prairies Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=200)*



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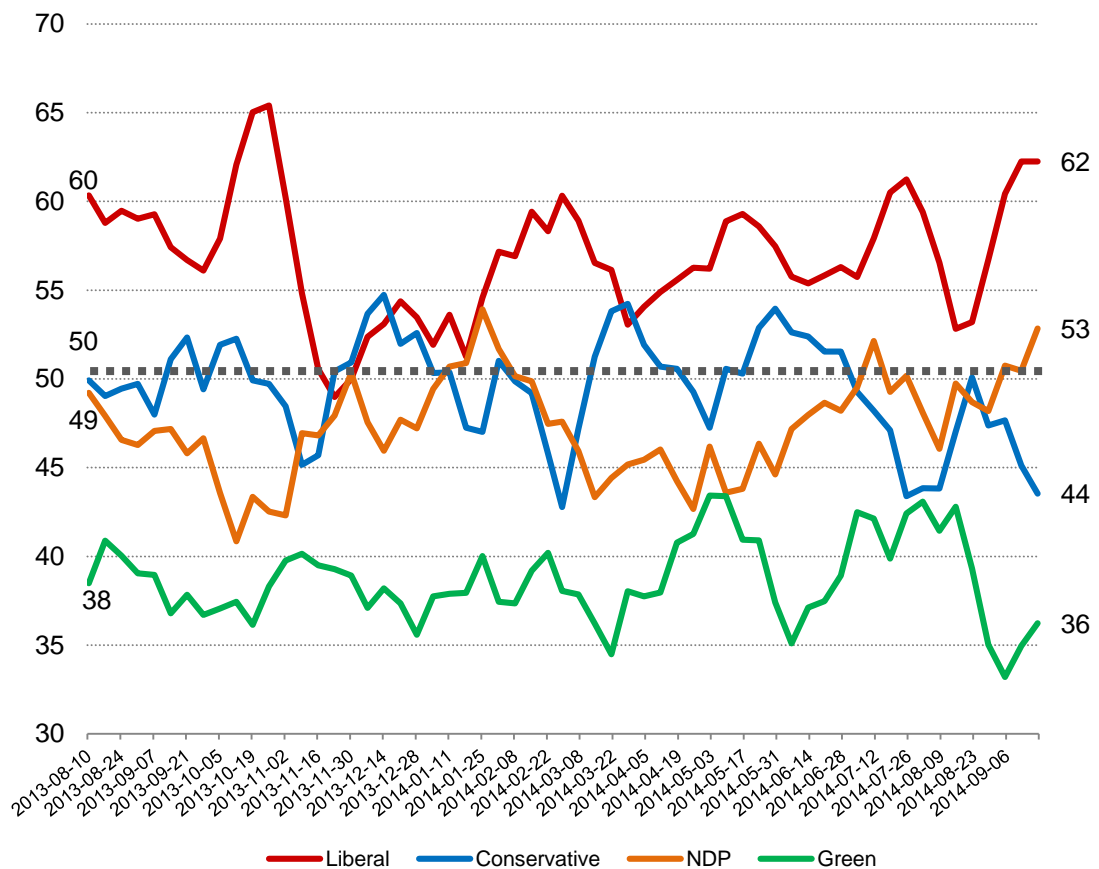
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## *British Columbia Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=152)*



# *Party Power Index Tracking by Age*

*Nanos Weekly Tracking*



# Party Power Index



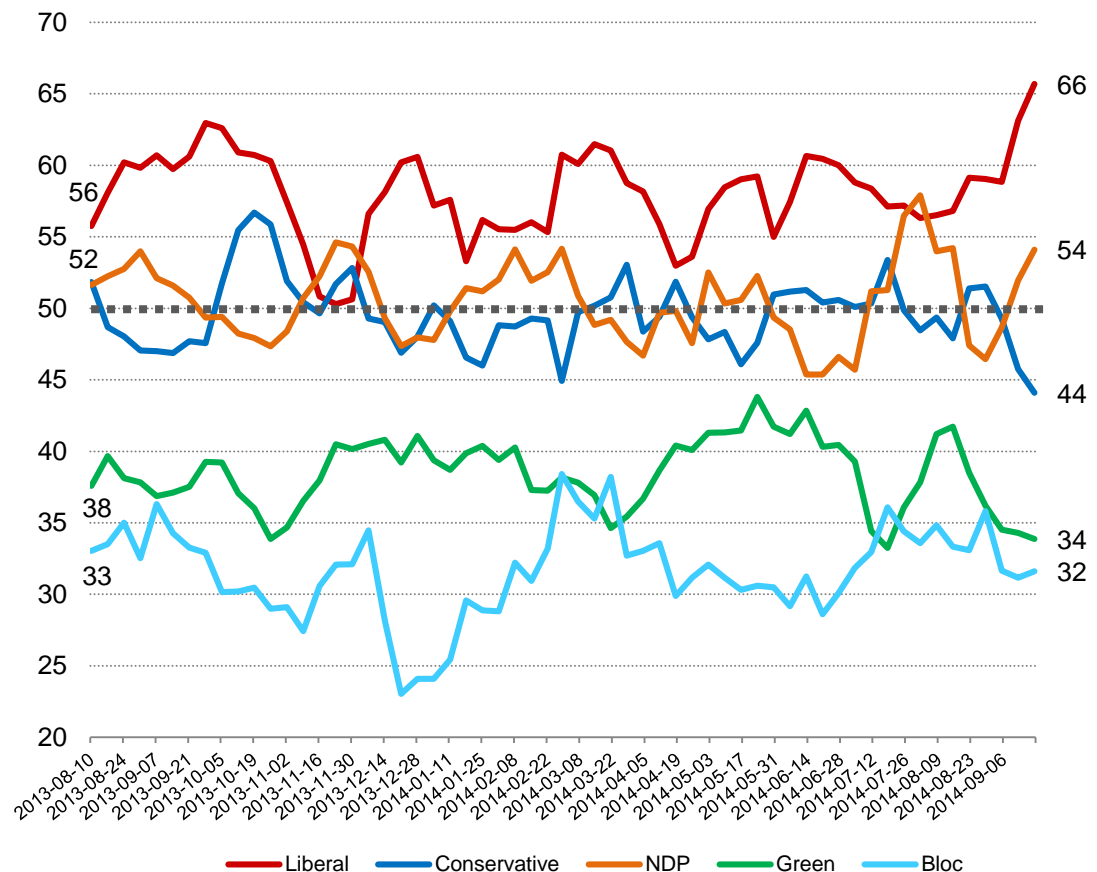
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 18 to 29 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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**18 to 29 Weekly Index Tracking Scores**  
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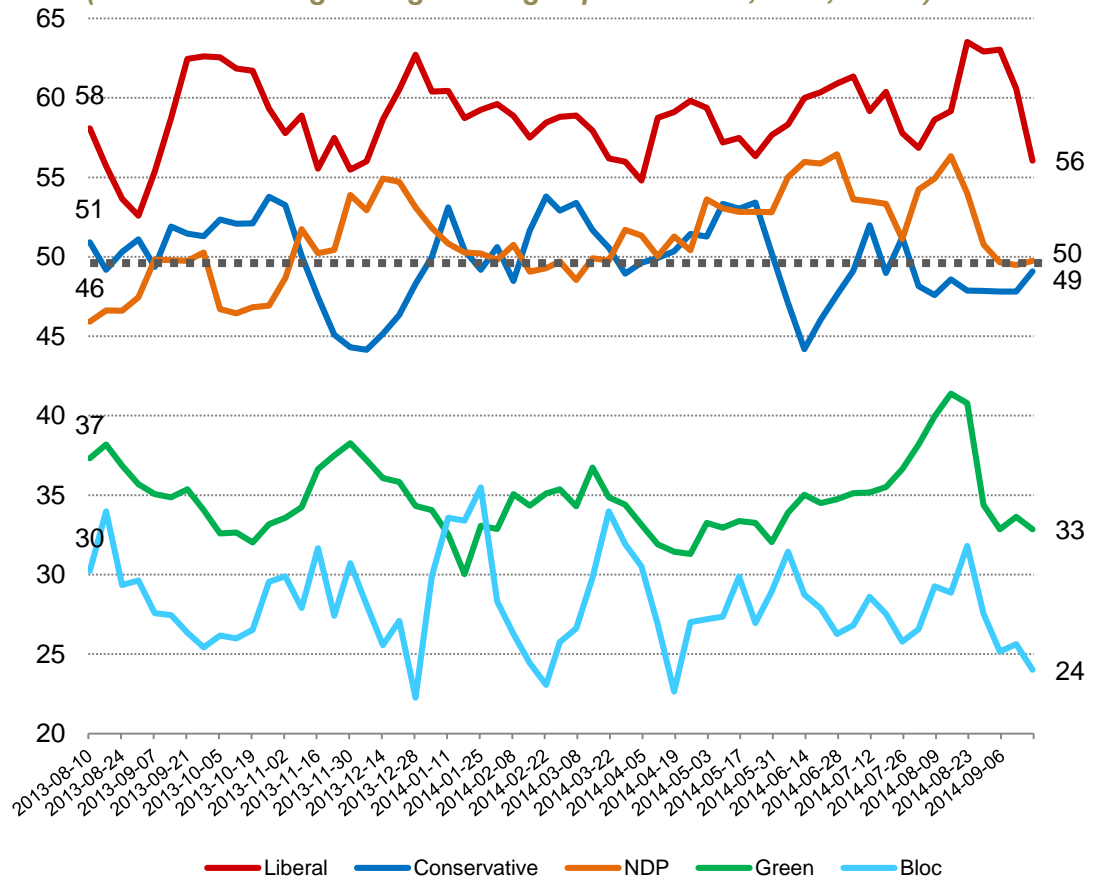
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 30 to 39 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. 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 September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=169)



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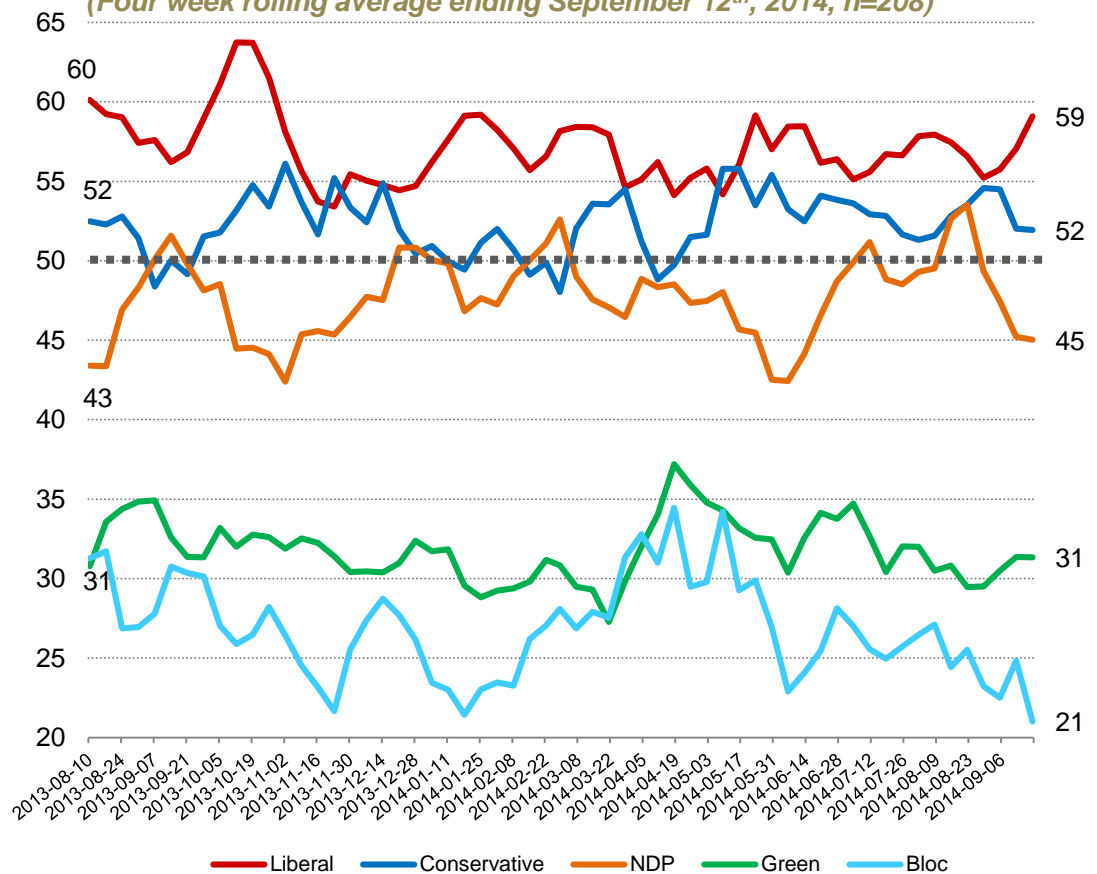
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**40 to 49 Weekly Index Tracking Scores**  
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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 50 to 59 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, 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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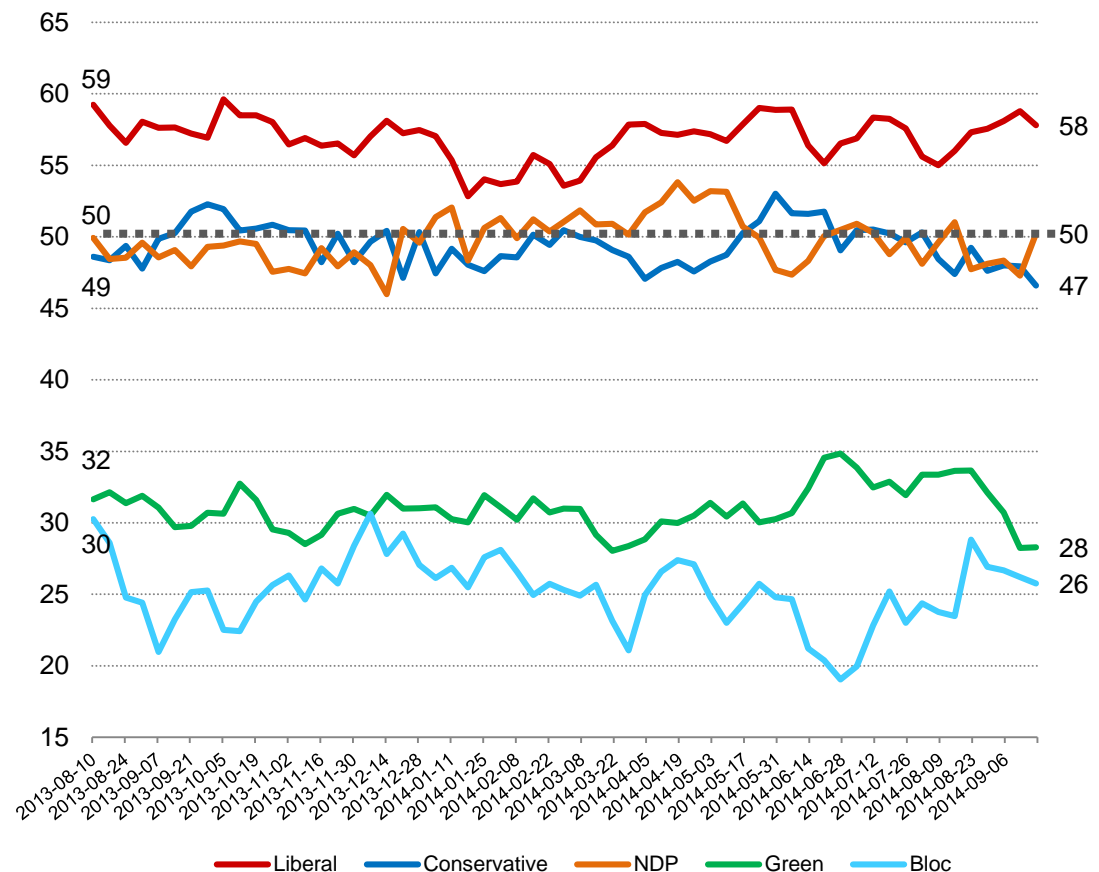
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## 50 to 59 Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=178)



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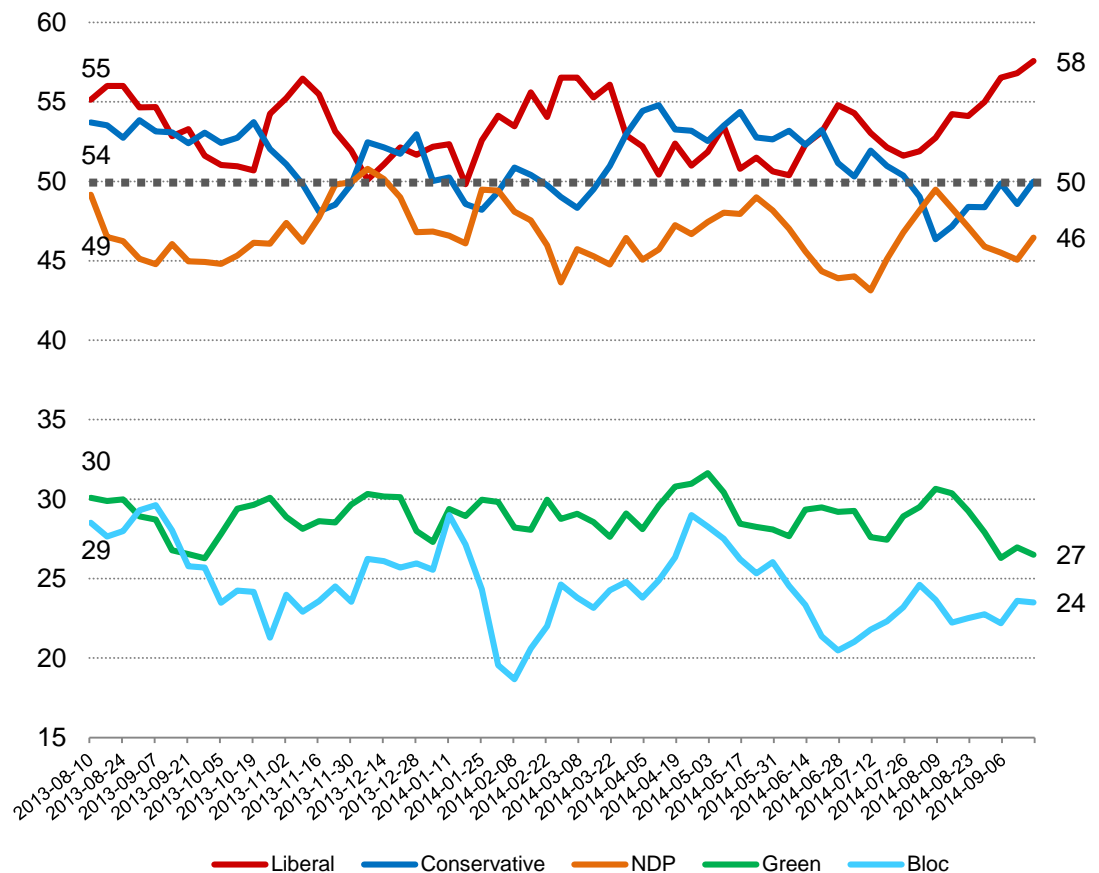
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 60 plus age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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## 60 plus Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending September 12<sup>th</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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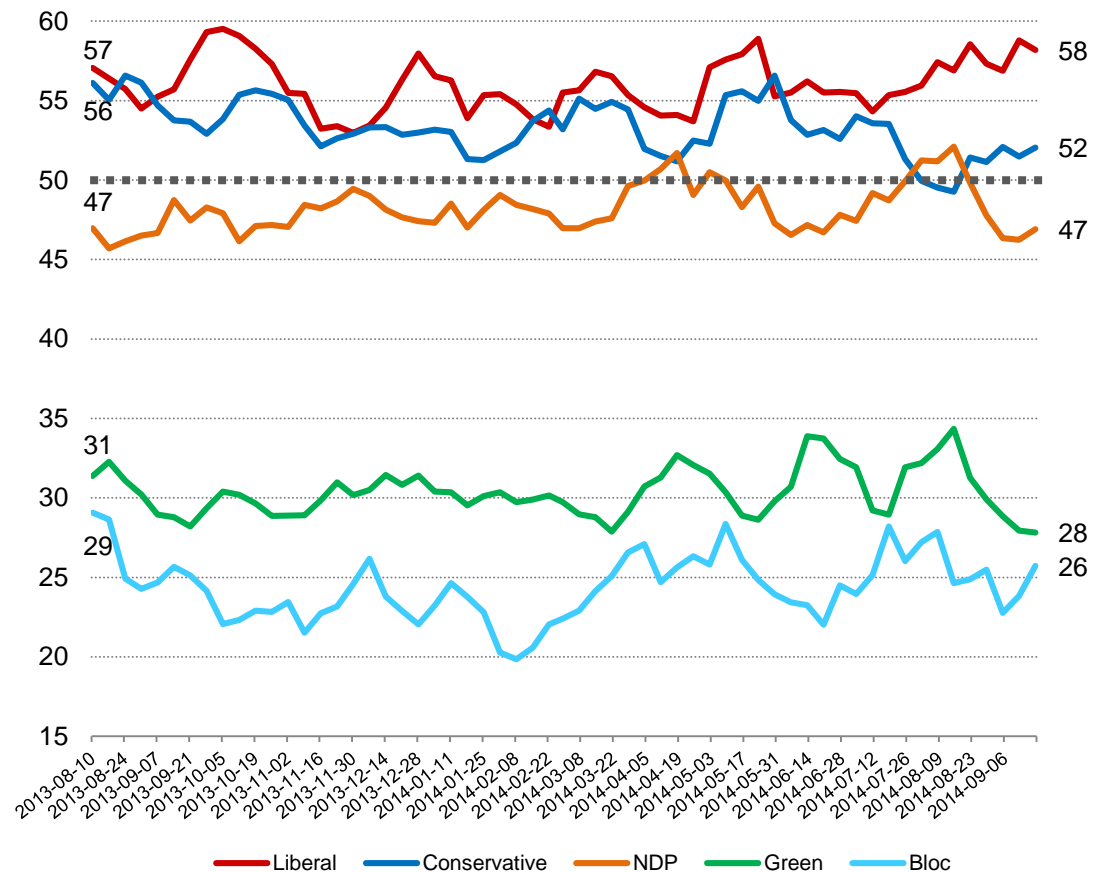
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## Male Weekly Index Tracking Scores

(Four week rolling average ending September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, n=492)



# 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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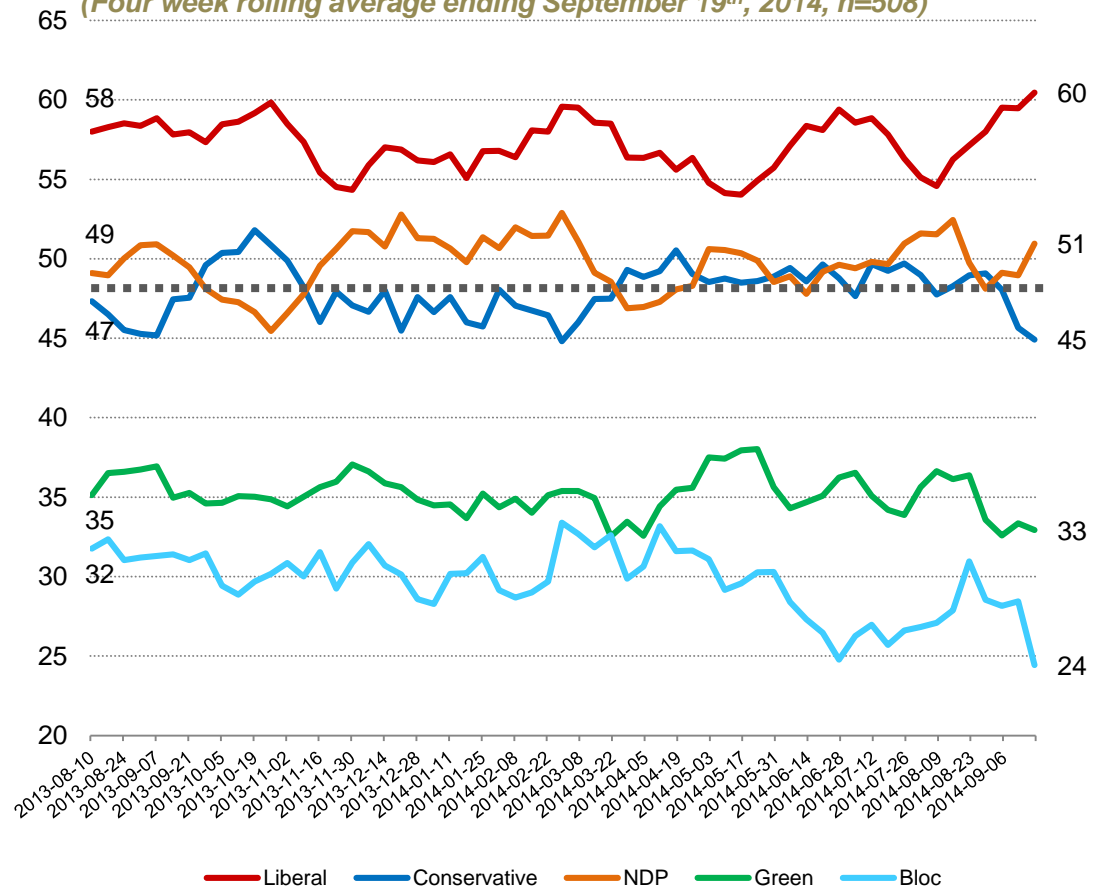
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## Female Weekly Index Tracking Scores

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# *National Political Tracking Numbers*

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# National Ballot



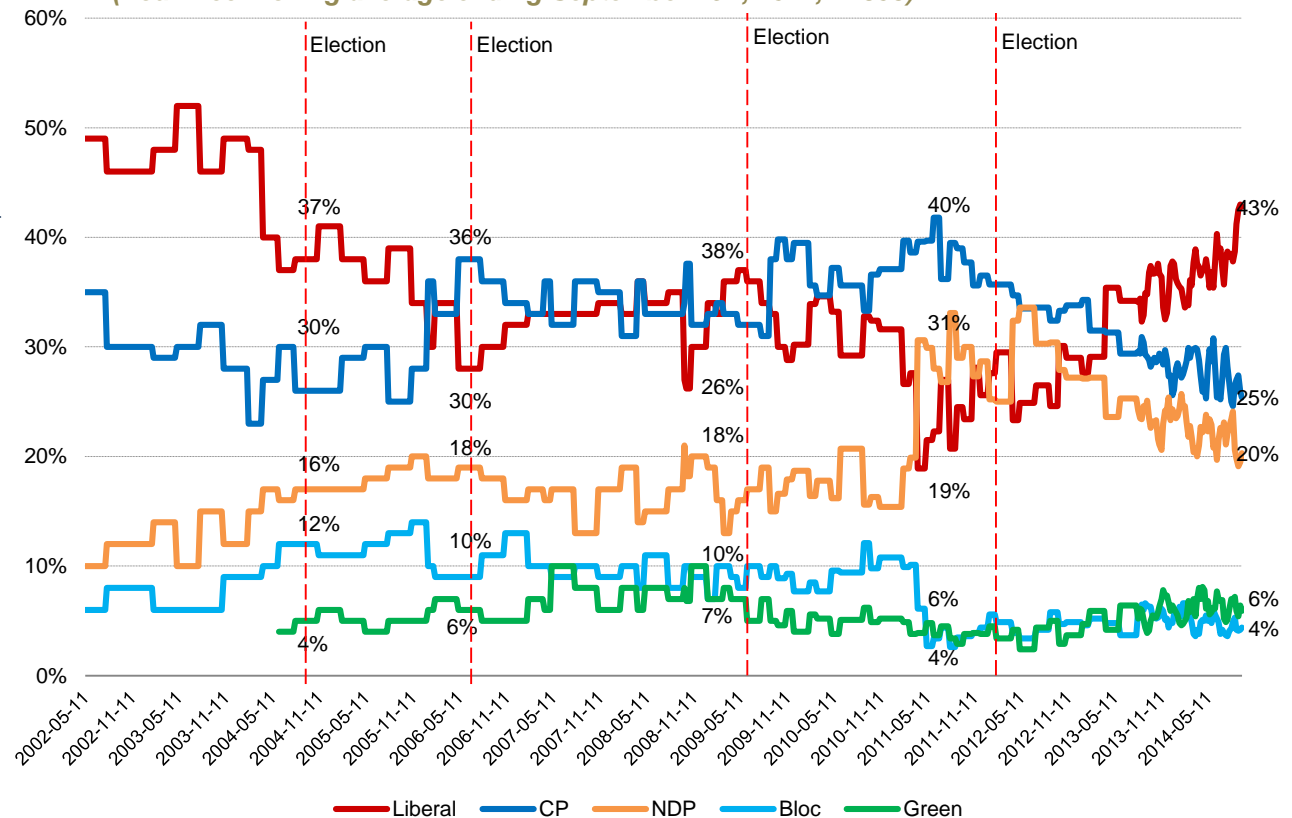
**Question:** For those parties you would consider voting for federally, could you please rank your top two current local preferences?

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# National Issue



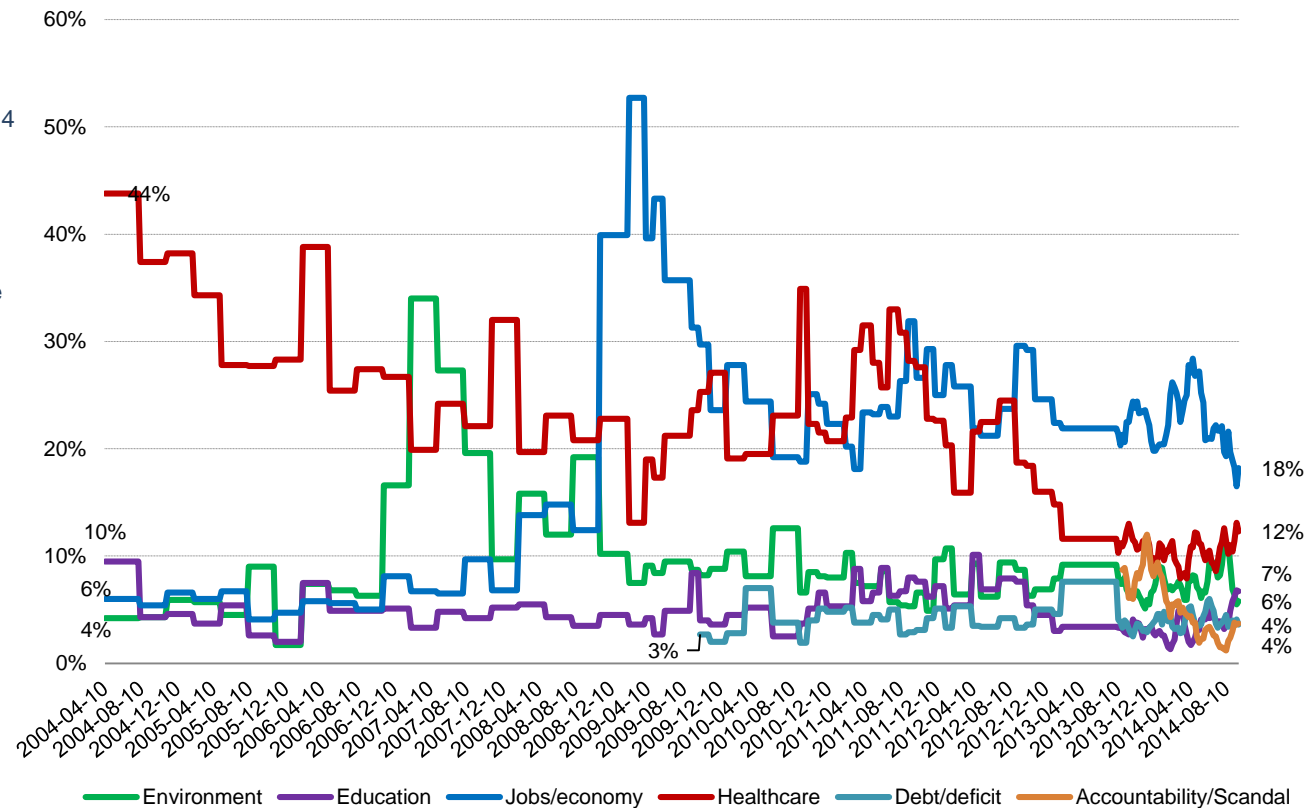
**Question:** What is your most important NATIONAL issue of concern?

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# *Federal Party Accessible Voters*

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# Consider Conservative NANOS

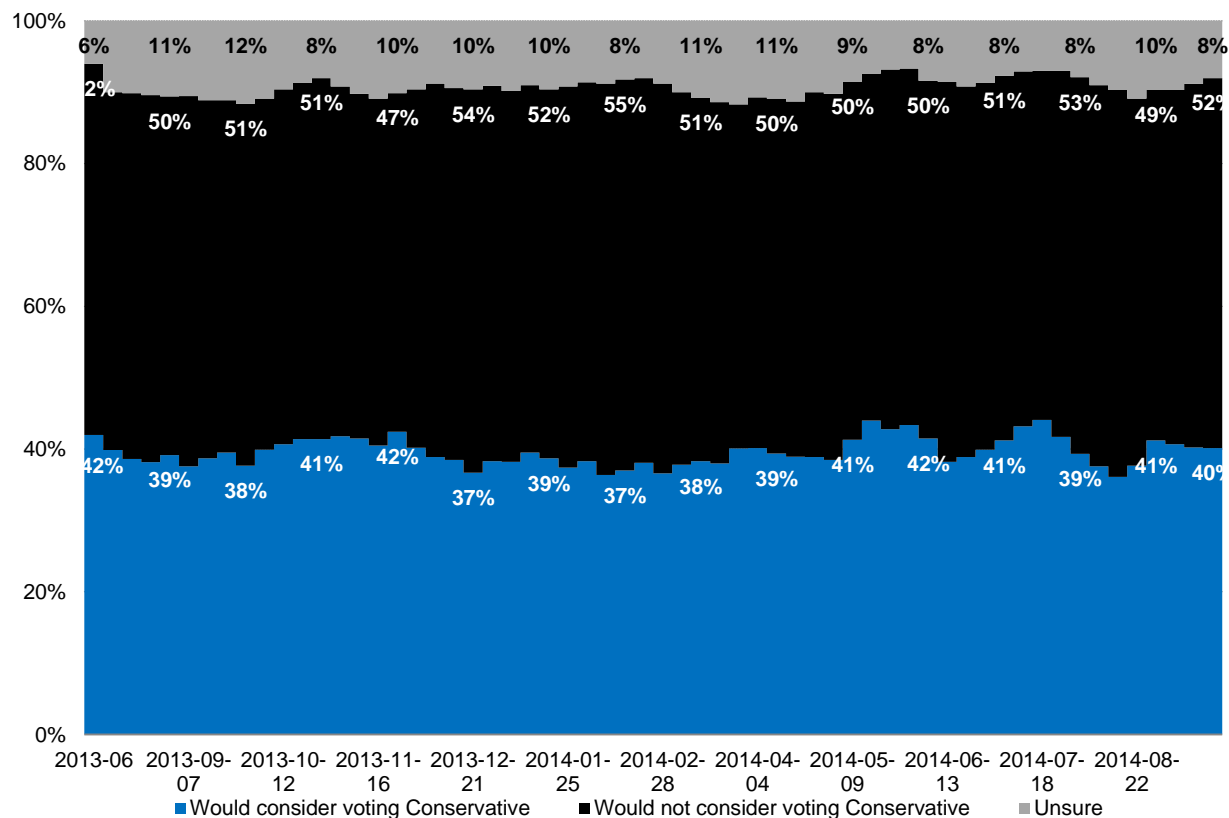
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Conservative Party

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# Consider NDP



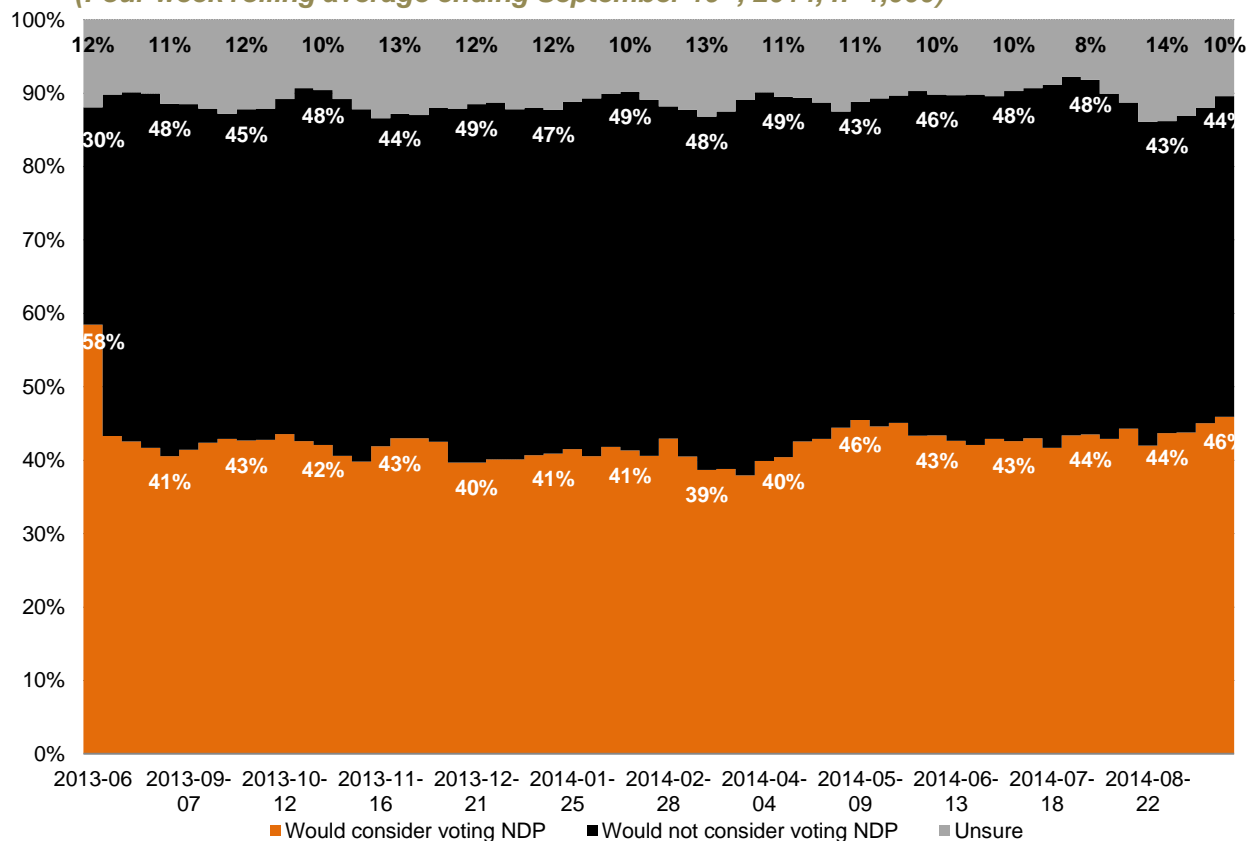
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[RANDOMIZE] NDP

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# Consider Liberal



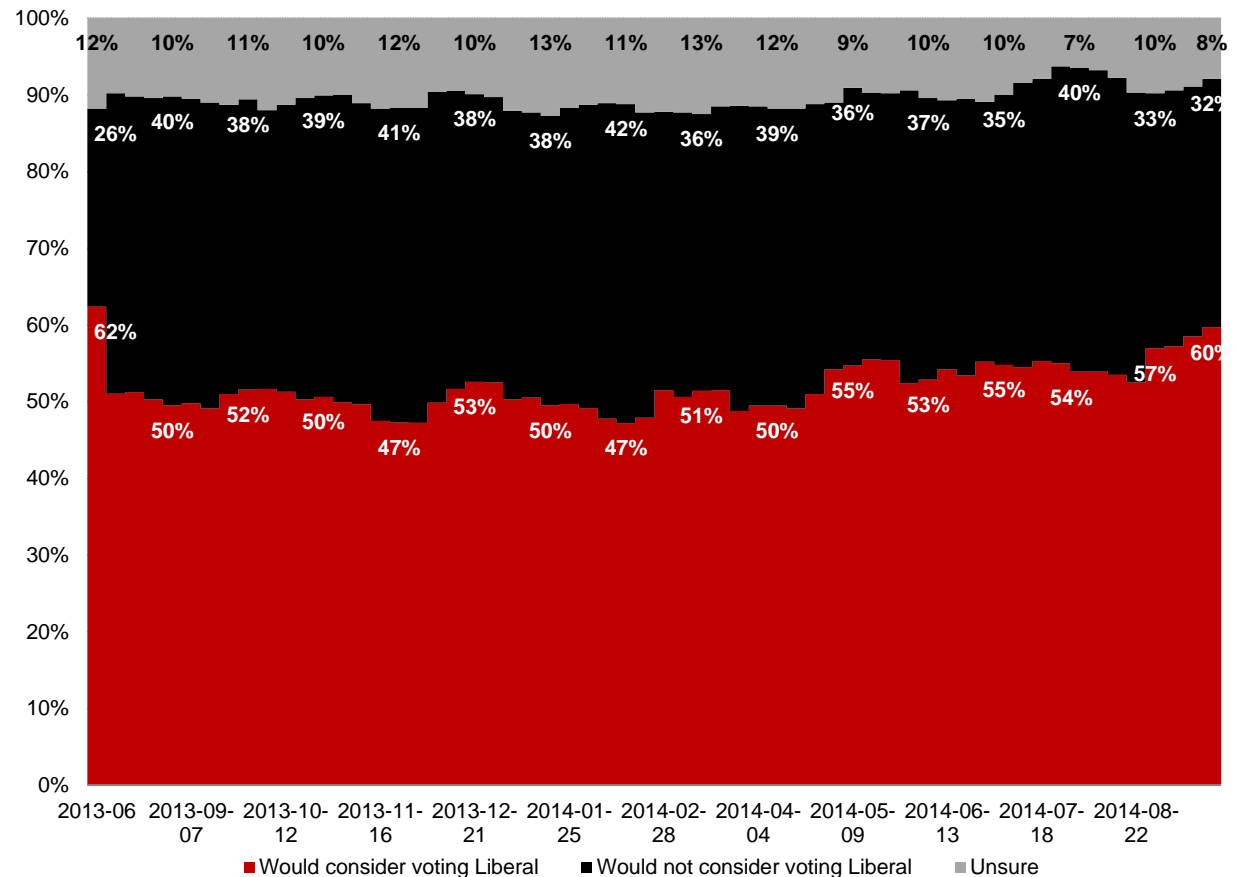
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Liberal Party

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# Consider Bloc



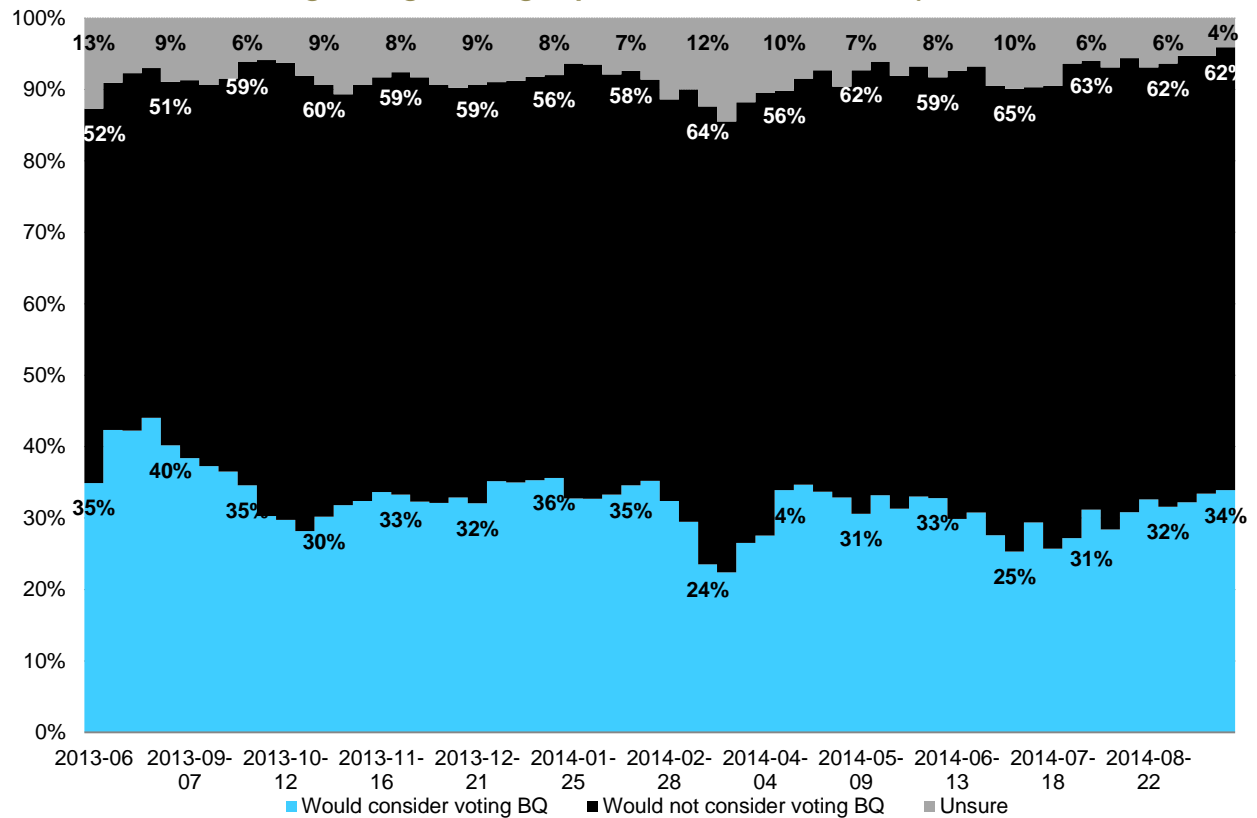
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Bloc Québécois

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# Consider Green



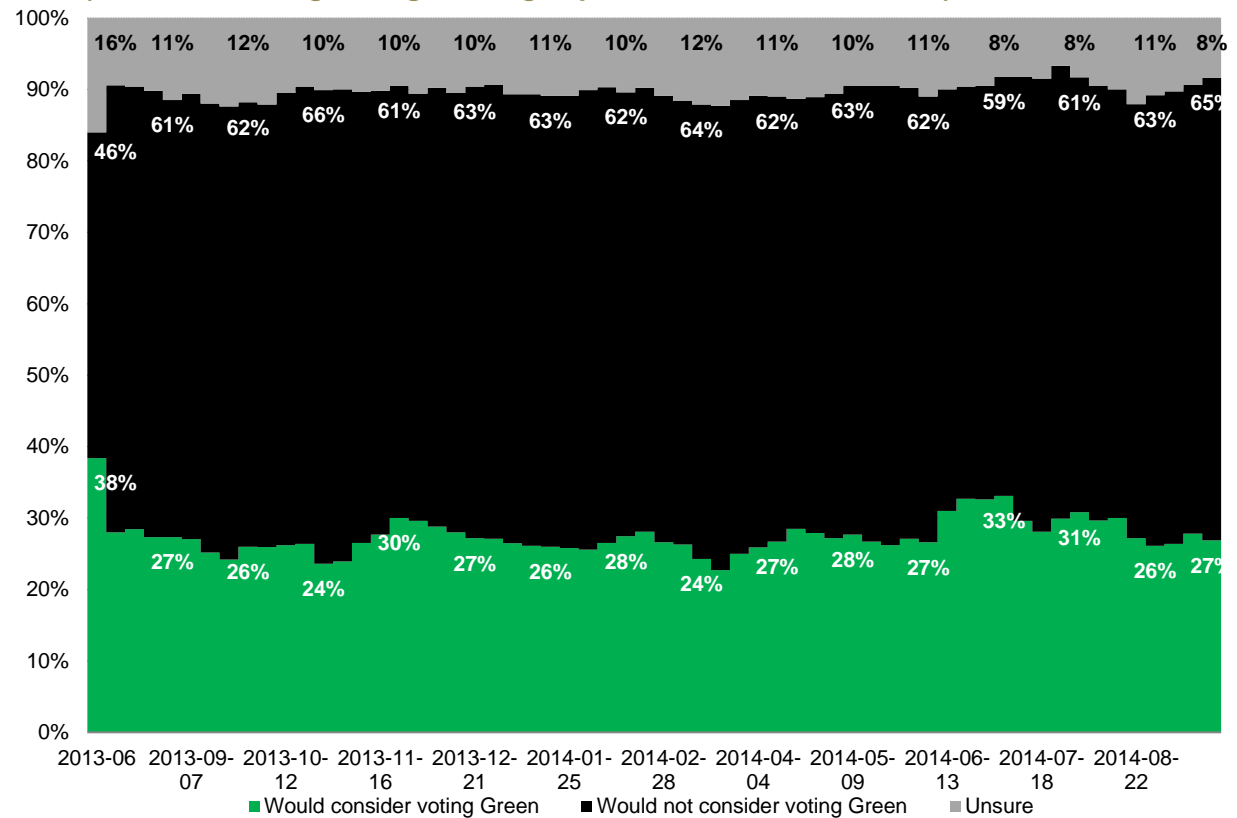
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it.  
[RANDOMIZE] Green Party

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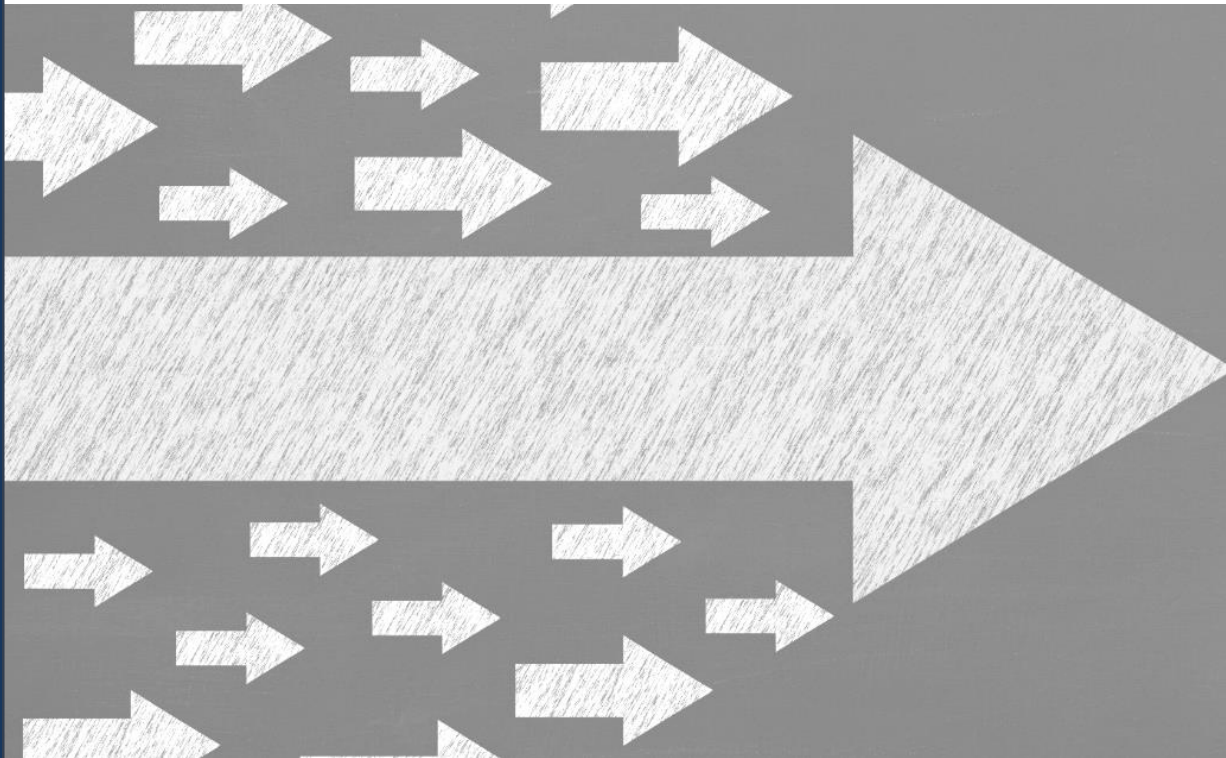
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# *Tracking on the Federal Political Leaders*

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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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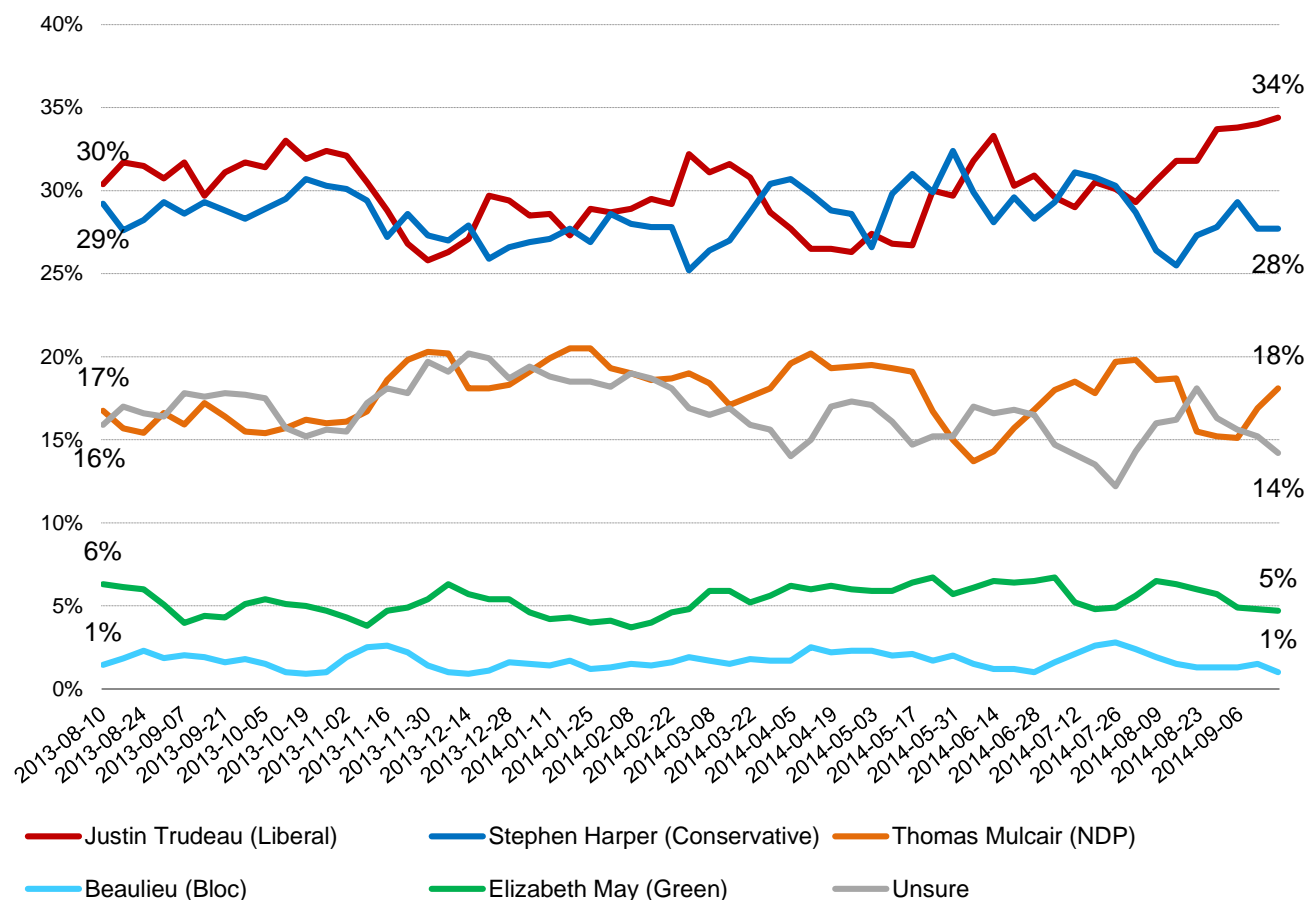
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# Harper



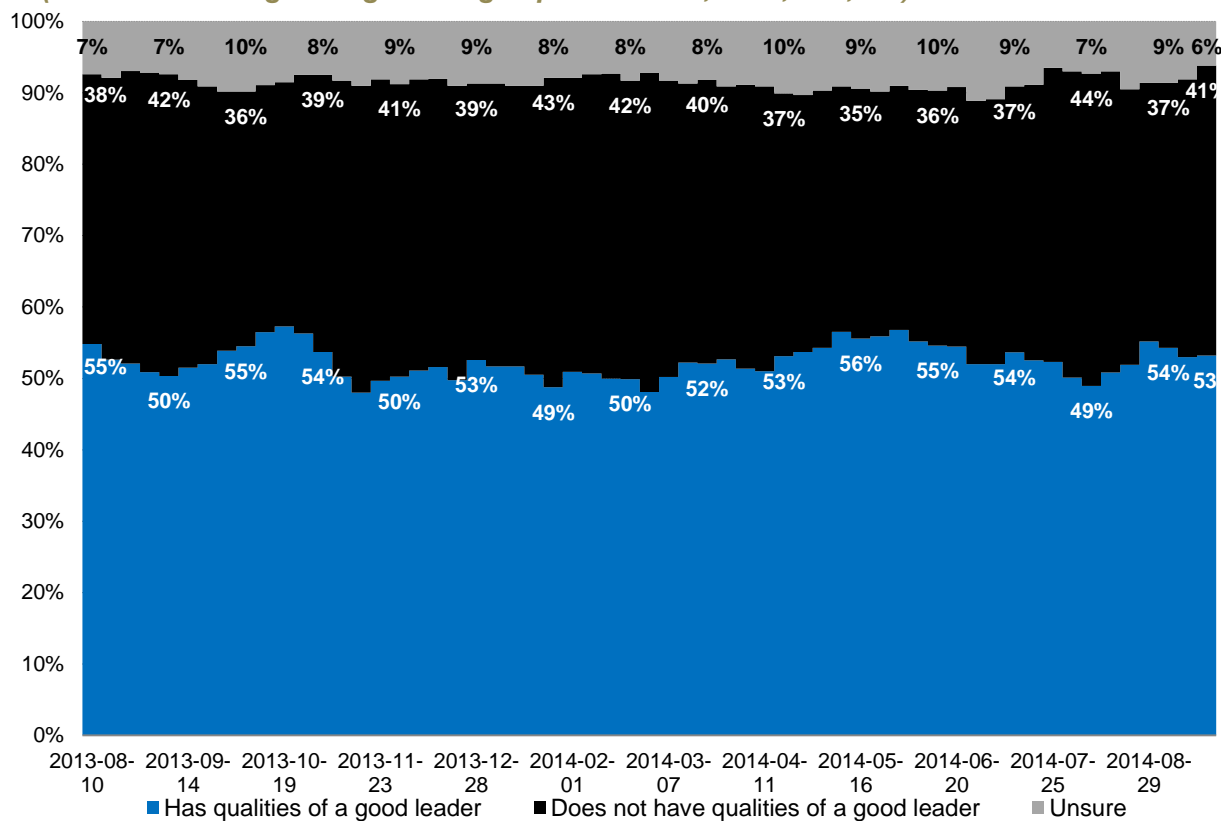
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Stephen Harper

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# Mulcair



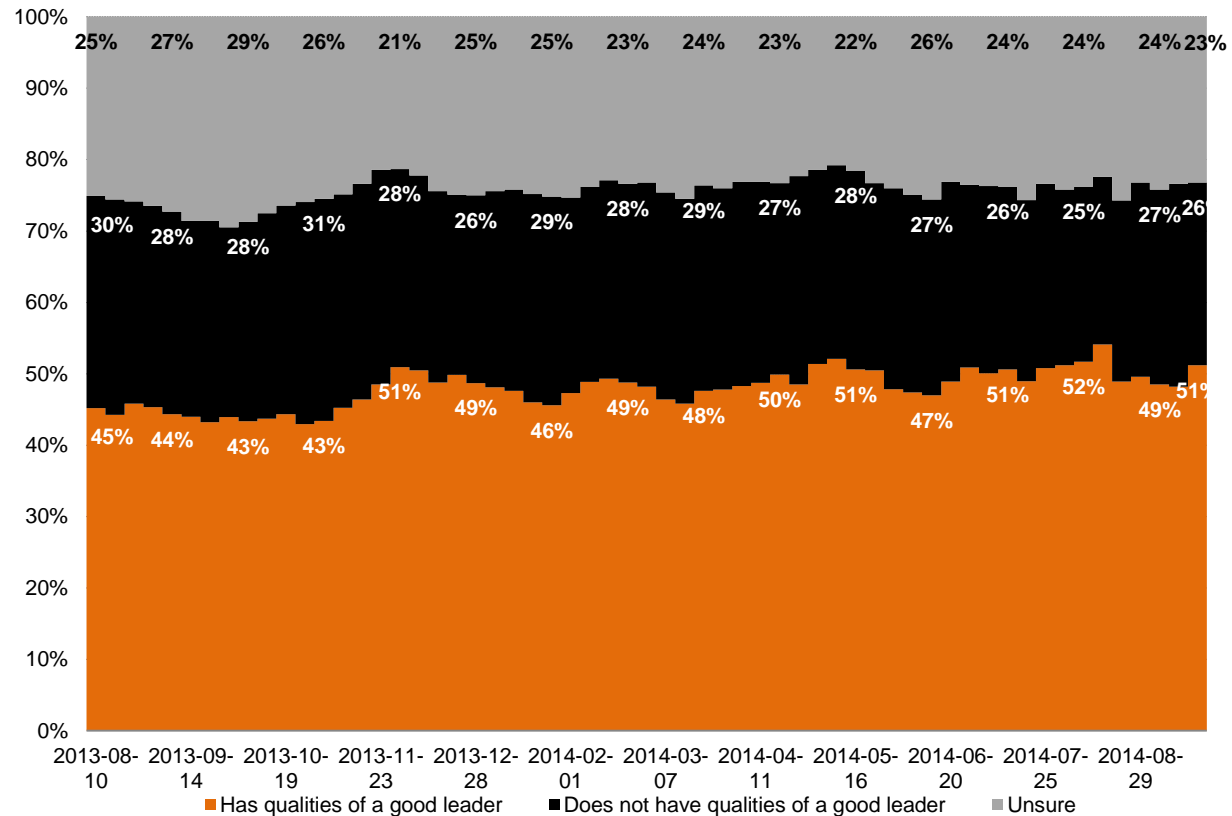
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Thomas Mulcair

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# 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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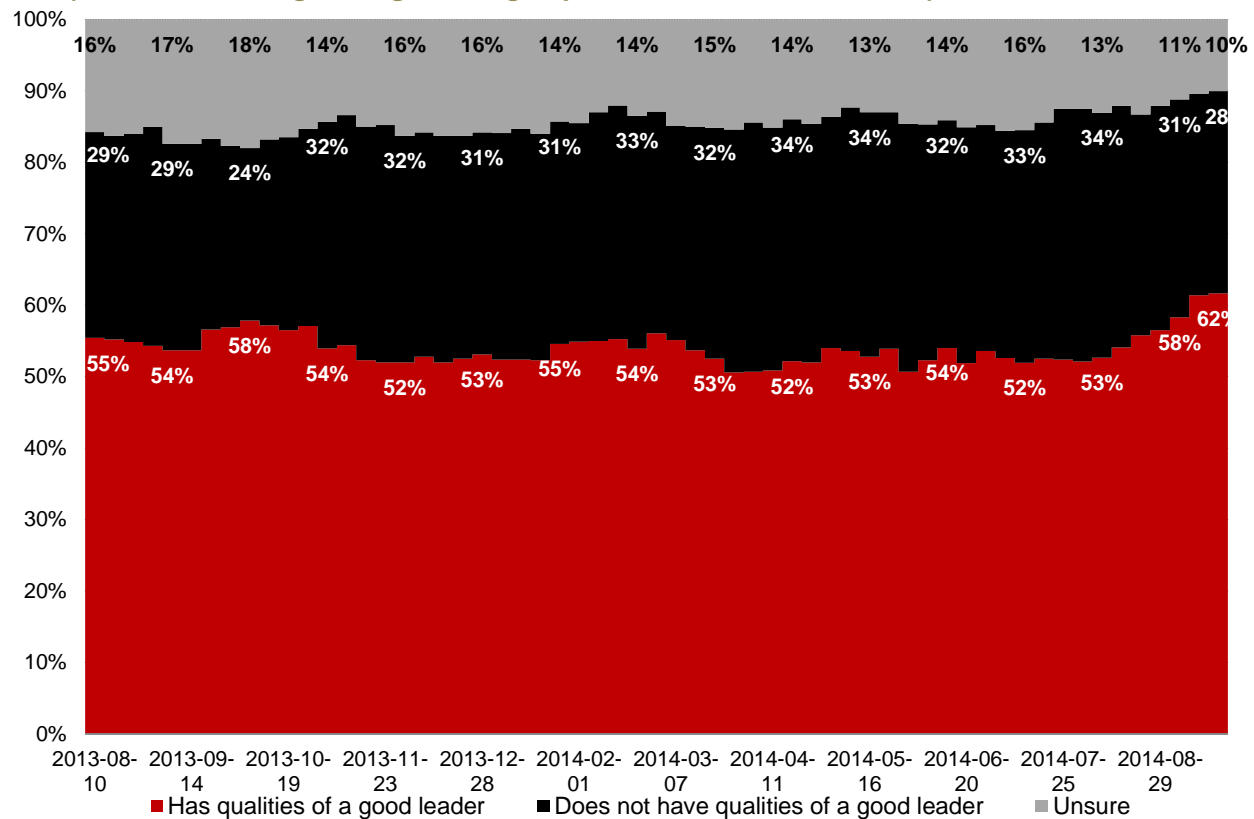
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# Beaulieu



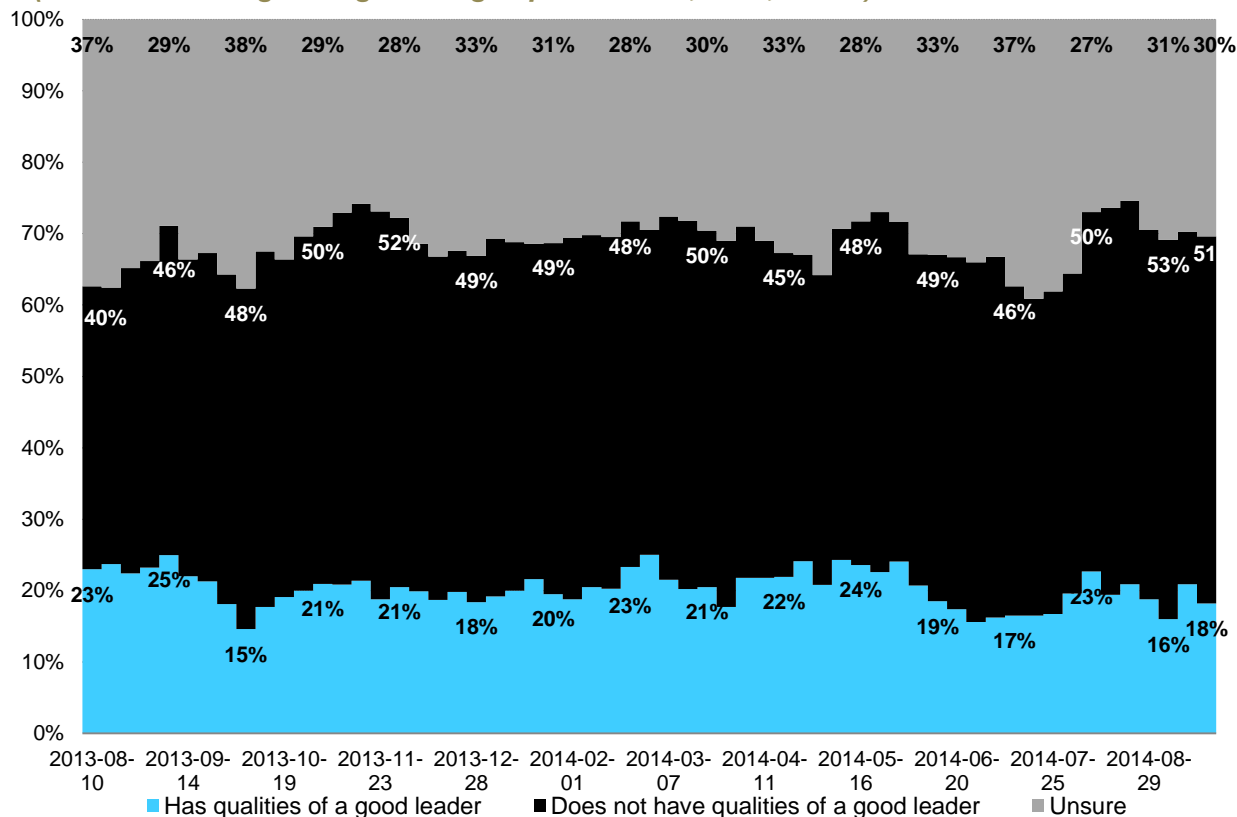
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Mario Beaulieu

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# May



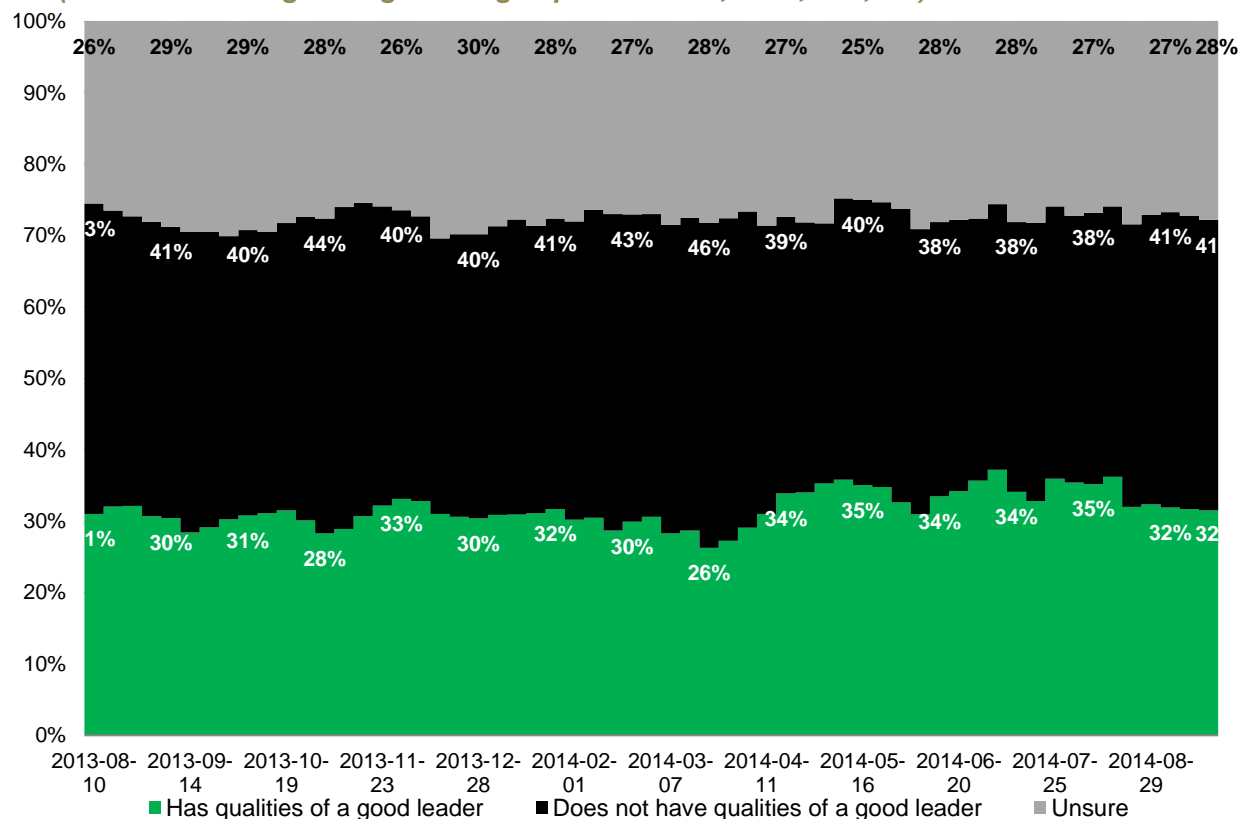
**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Elizabeth May

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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 September 19<sup>th</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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