Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking

Nanos Weekly Tracking, ending January 2, 2015 (released January 7, 2015)





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Liberals 56 points, Conservatives 51 points, NDP 49 points on Nanos Party Power Index (Released 01/07/2015)

The first wave of weekly tracking in the Nanos Party Power Index pegged the federal Liberals at 56 points out of 100 followed by the Conservatives at 51 points, the NDP at 49 points, the Green Party at 31 points and the BQ at 25 points (QC only).

The Nanos Party Power Index methodology is comprised of a basket of political goods that includes ballot preferences, accessible voters, preferred PM views and evaluations of the leaders. It is modeled similar to a standard confidence index.

For the second week in succession the NDP have hit a 12 month high on their level of accessible voter tracking. Asked which parties they would consider or not consider voting for through a series of independent questions, 55 per cent of Canadians would consider voting for the Liberals, 47 per cent would consider voting NDP, 42 percent would consider voting for the Conservatives and 27 per cent would consider voting for the Green Party.

Asked which federal party leader they would prefer as prime minister, Harper realised a three point lead over Trudeau. Thirty three per cent of Canadians preferred Harper as PM followed by 30 per cent who preferred Trudeau, 18 per cent Mulcair, four per cent May and 13 per cent were unsure.





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Data Summary

		This Week Last Week		4 Weeks Ago	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago (Jan 2014)	12 Month High	12 Month Low	12 Month Average
Canada Pa	arty Power Index								
	Liberal	55.9	56.1	56.9	60.5	56.2	60.7	54.5	56.7
	Conservative	51.2	51.5	52.3	50.4	49.7	53.5	48.4	50.8
	NDP	49.1	48.2	49.7	49.6	49.3	52.2	47.4	49.3
	Green	31.1	30.3	31.5	31.9	32.5	35.2	30.2	32.3
	Bloc	24.9	22.9	26.9	25.6	25.6	29.0	22.9	26.6
Party Con	sider								
	Liberal	54.6%	54.5%	56.5%	58.8%	50.3%	59.7%	47.2%	53.3%
	NDP	47.1%	46.9%	44.5%	45.6%	40.1%	47.1%	37.9%	42.9%
	Conservative	42.4%	42.1%	43.0%	40.6%	38.2%	44.1%	36.1%	40.1%
	Bloc	27.8%	26.5%	31.0%	29.7%	35.0%	35.6%	22.4%	30.7%
	Green	27.2%	26.6%	26.2%	28.2%	26.5%	33.1%	22.7%	27.3%
Preferred Prime Minister									
	Harper	33.0%	33.1%	31.9%	28.3%	26.9%	33.4%	25.2%	29.3%
	Trudeau	30.4%	31.5%	30.4%	35.8%	28.5%	35.8%	26.3%	30.4%
	Mulcair	18.2%	17.6%	19.6%	17.8%	19.1%	20.5%	13.7%	18.2%
	May	4.3%	4.2%	3.6%	3.6%	4.6%	6.7%	3.0%	4.9%
	Beaulieu	1.3%	1.0%	0.6%	0.7%	1.5%	2.8%	0.5%	1.4%
	Unsure	12.9%	12.7%	13.9%	13.8%	19.4%	19.4%	11.7%	15.4%



About the Index



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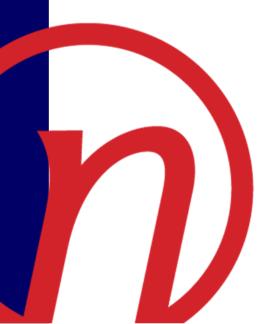
Since voters are not actually able to make a choice between elections, it is interesting to think about party strength and support more broadly. The Nanos Party Power Index fills this need by incorporating more information than just current vote preference.

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 1st and 2nd vote preferences;
- a measure of whether the respondent would consider voting for the party;
- the 1st and 2nd 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.



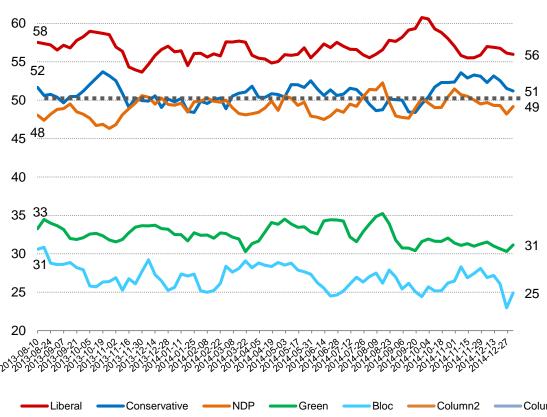
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Party Power Index Tracking by Region

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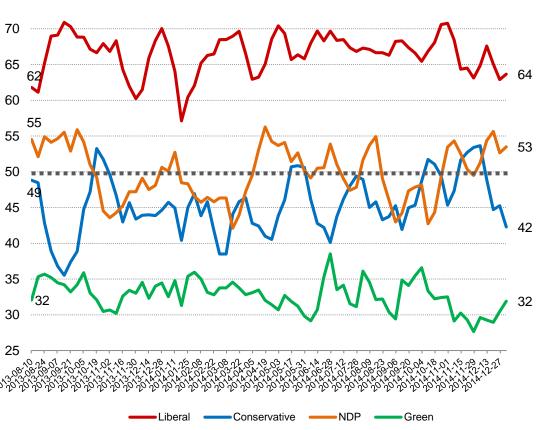


The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Atlantic is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are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

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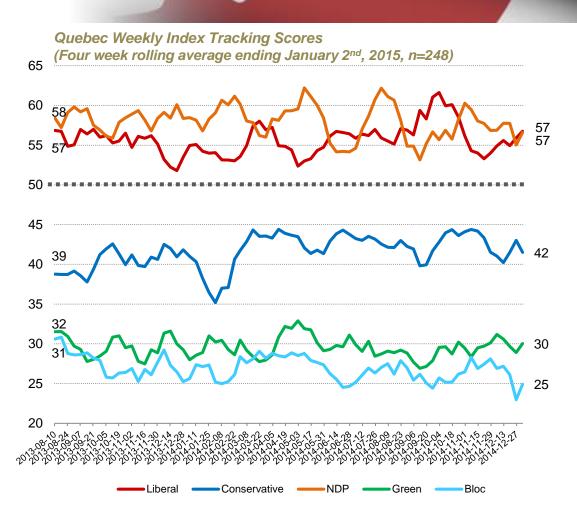




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for Quebec is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider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

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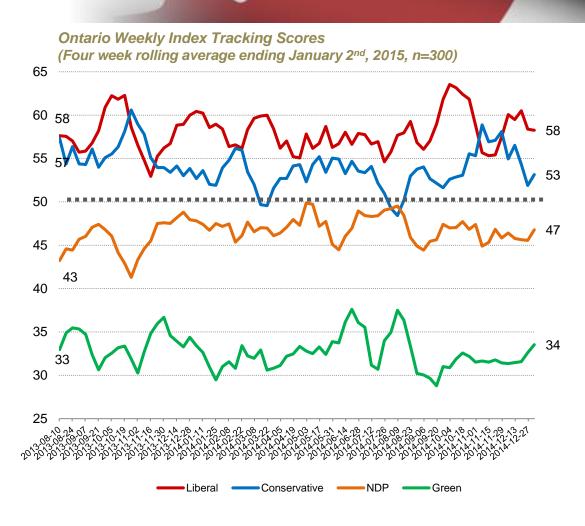




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for Ontario is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider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

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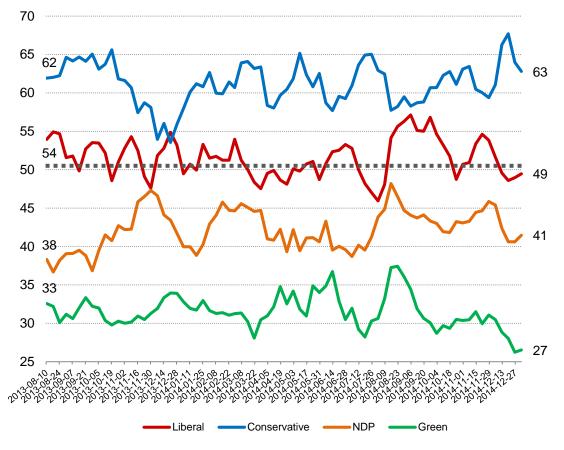


The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Prairies is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are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

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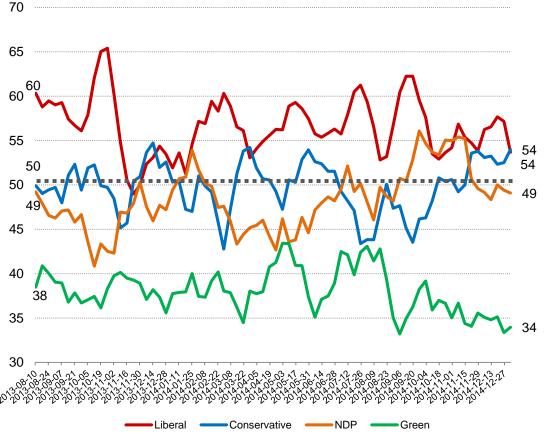
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for BC is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins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

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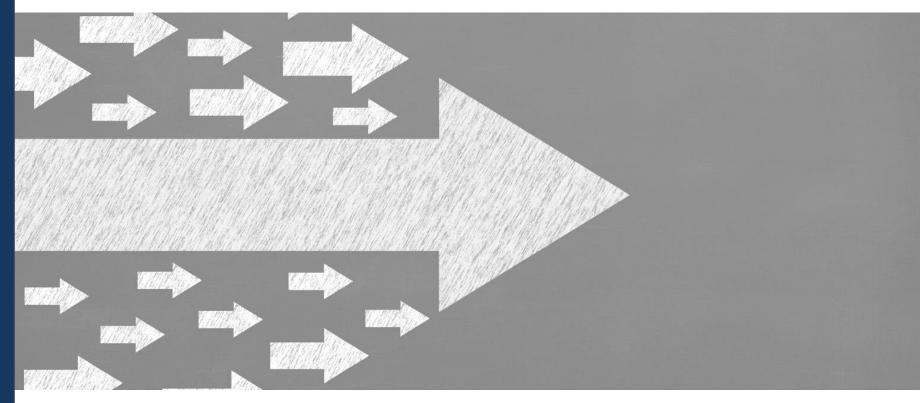


British Columbia Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending January 2nd, 2015, n=152)



Party Power Index Tracking by Age

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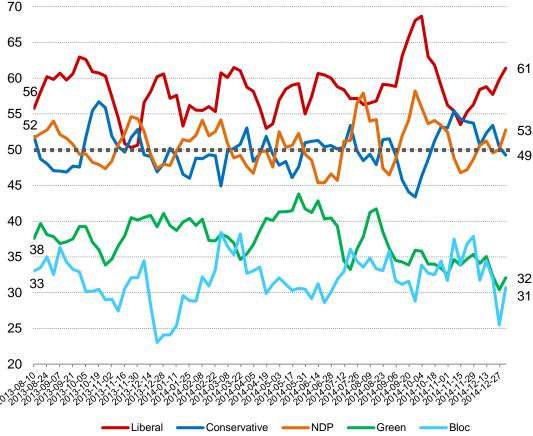


The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 18 to 29 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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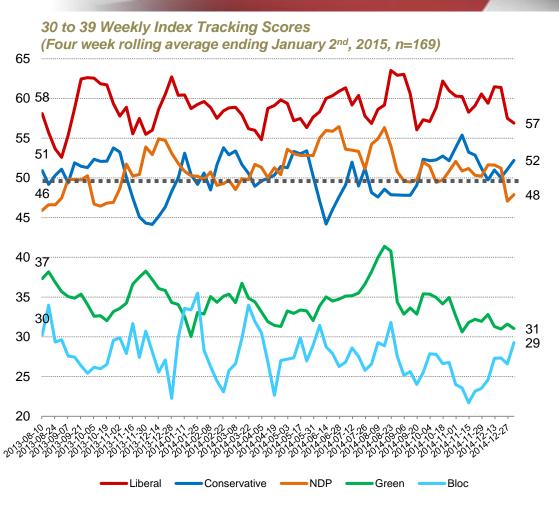




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 30 to 39 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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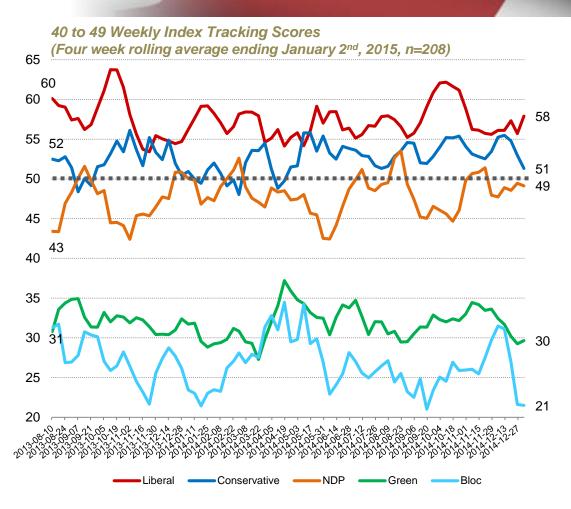




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 40 to 49 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for PM, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are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

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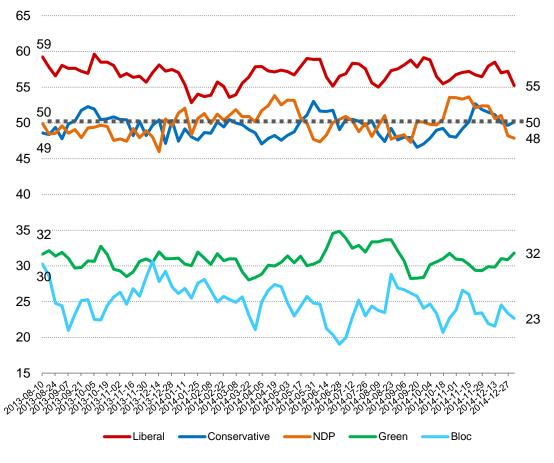


The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 50 to 59 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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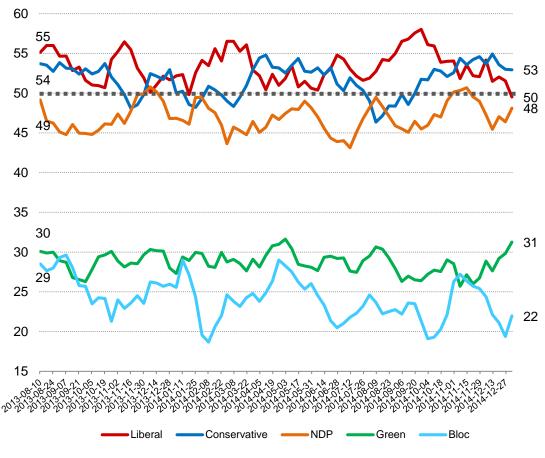


The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 60 plus age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.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

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Party Power Index Tracking by Gender

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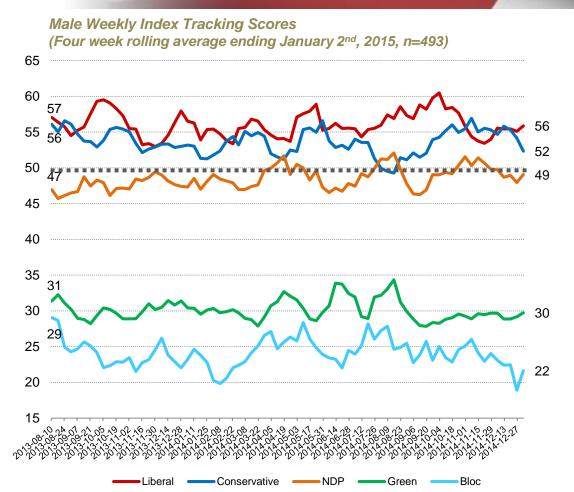




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for males is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider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

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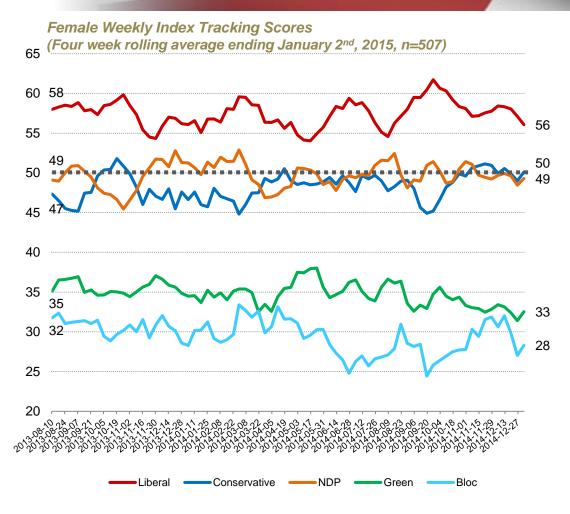




The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for females is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider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

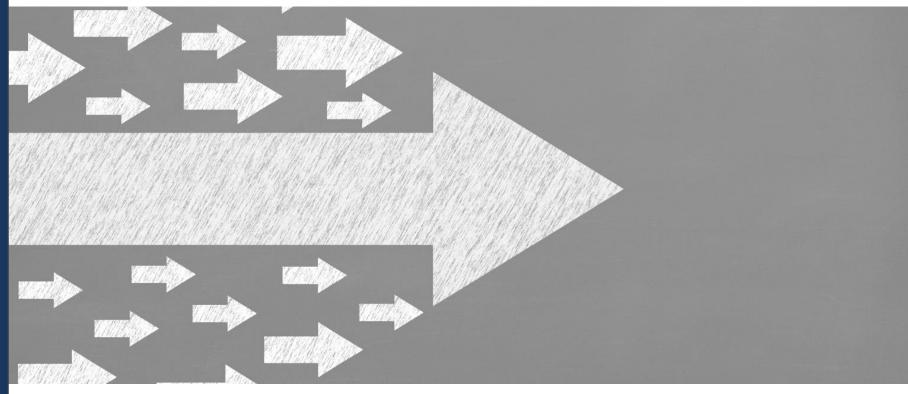
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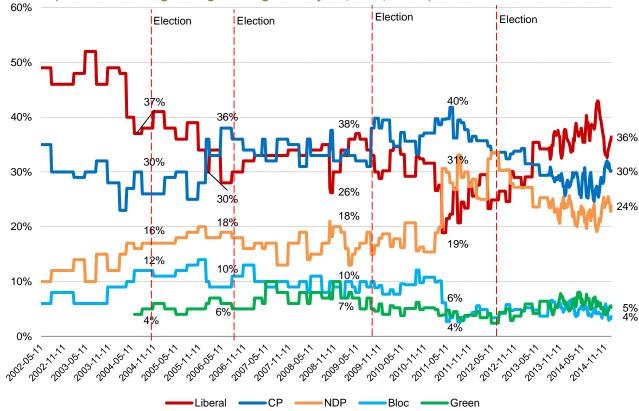
National Ballot



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

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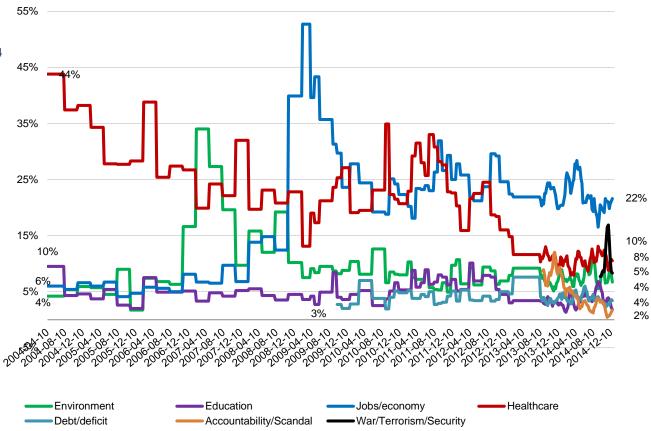
National Issue



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

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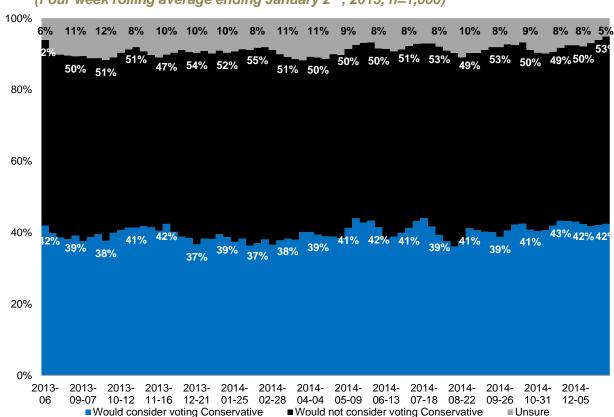
Consider Conservative (n) NANOS

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

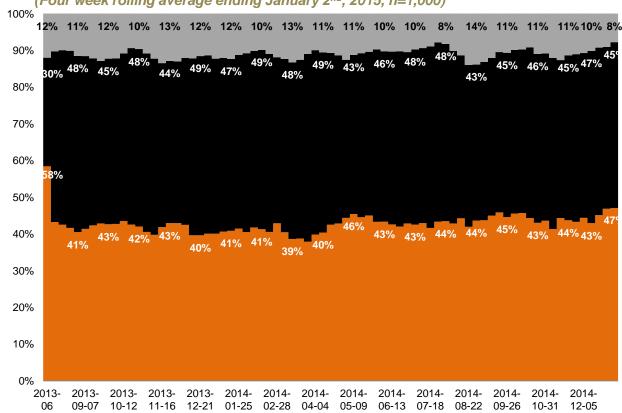


Question: For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] NDP

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■Would not consider voting NDP



■Would consider voting NDP

■ Unsure

Consider Liberal

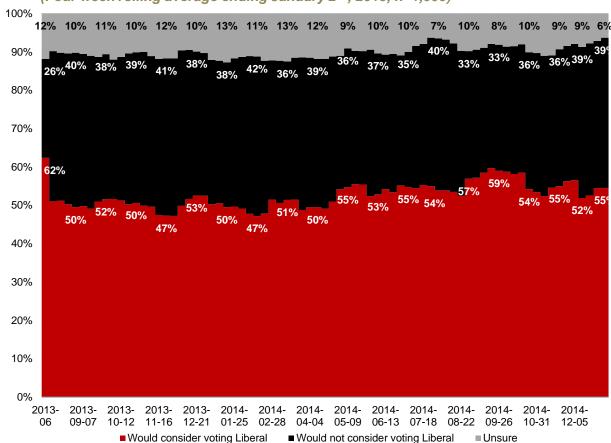


Question: For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Liberal Party

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Unsure

Consider Bloc

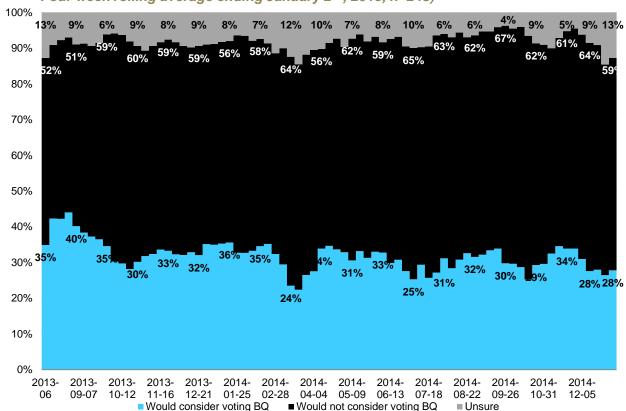


Question: For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Bloc Québécois

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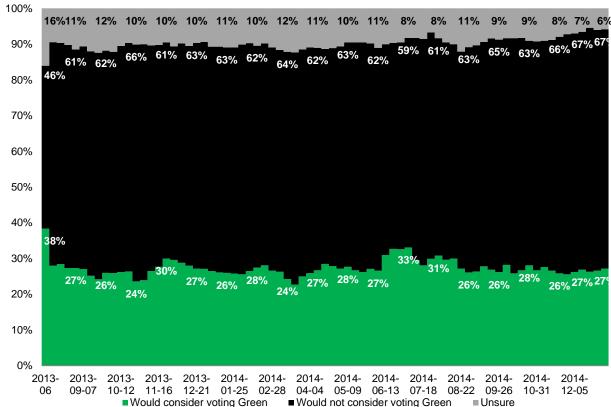
Consider Green



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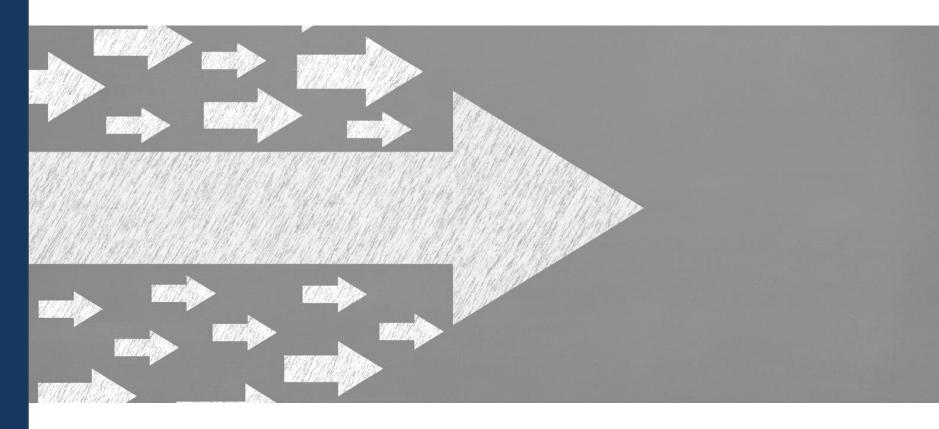
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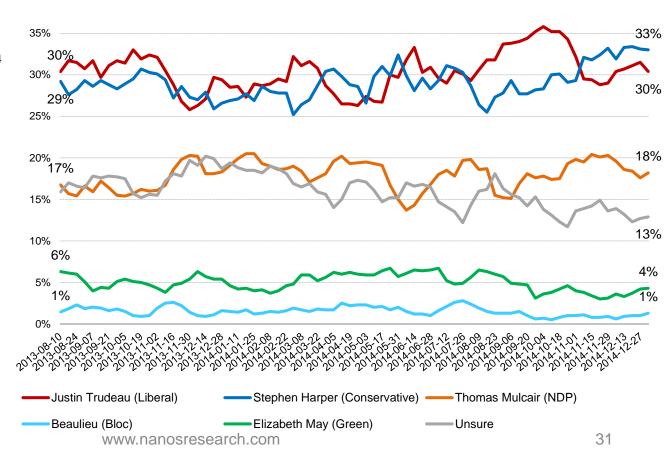
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Question: Of the current federal political party leaders, could you please rank your top two current local preferences for Prime Minister? [ROTATE PARTY LEADERS]

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Harper

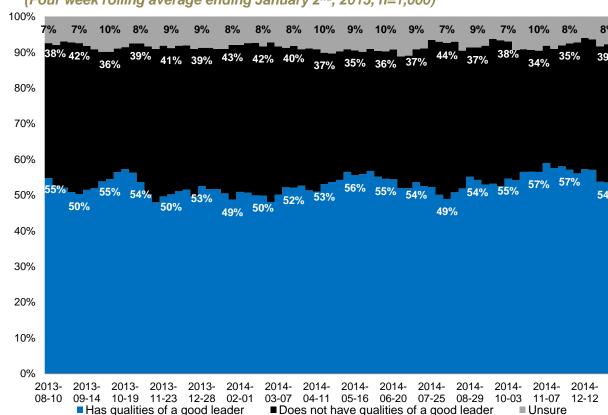


Question: For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Stephen Harper

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Mulcair



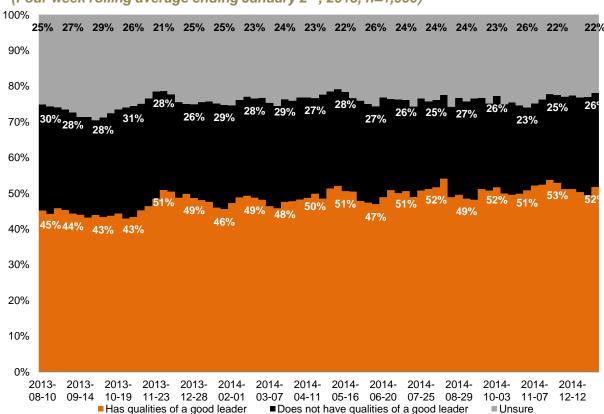
Question: For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Thomas Mulcair

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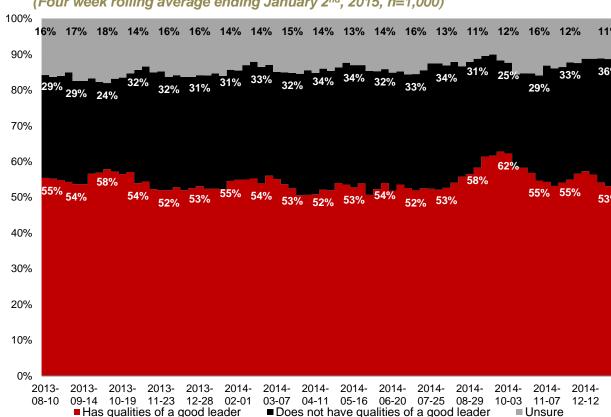
Trudeau



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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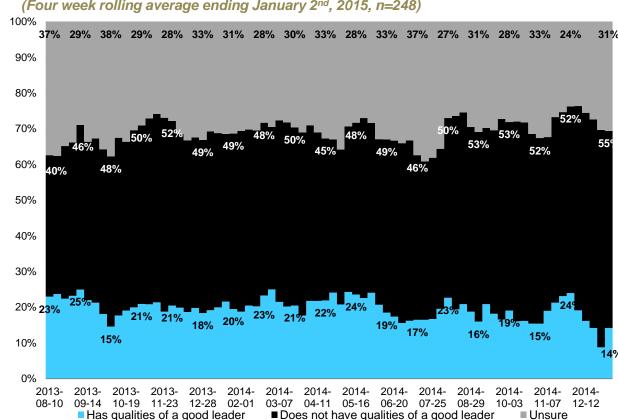
Beaulieu



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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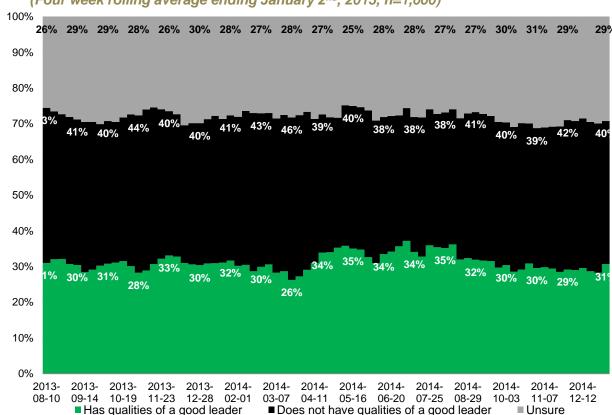
May

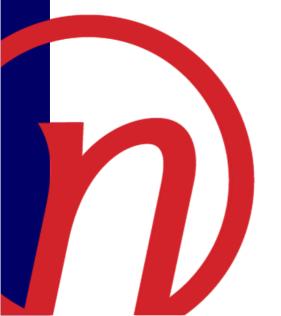


Question: For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Elizabeth May

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Methodology

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Survey Methodology

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 January 2nd, 2015.

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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