

Federal Politics: Tracking

Today, INNOVATIVE is releasing results from the second wave of our election tracking survey.

This online survey was in field from September 10th to September 12th, 2021 with a weighted sample size of 2,400. The full results combines two samples. A core sample of 1,200 asked our standard tracking questions and an additional sample of 1,200 asked a separate set of questions. Detailed methodology is provided in the appendix.

While the Liberals are still vulnerable coming into the last week of the election, they have the clear advantage. With leads in Ontario, Quebec, and Atlantic Canada they are well positioned to win important seats and there are no clear issues that the CPC can overtake them on. The main threat to the Liberals are the NDP gains in BC and Ontario, and the potential for a Bloc rebound in Quebec if they can make the issue of defending Quebec more salient.

Campaign Impacts

Measuring Campaign Impacts

Each campaign hopes to win over voters first by their ability to capture their attention and second by what those voters hear about them.

INNOVATIVE tracks the impact of each campaign by asking Canadians whether they have heard about each party recently, what they have heard, and whether it has had a positive or negative impact on their impressions of that party.

Each respondent is asked whether they have read, seen, or heard something in the last few days about the Liberals, the Conservatives, the Bloc (in Quebec only) and one other party selected randomly from the NDP, Greens and PPC.

For each party that a respondent has heard about, they are asked what they heard and whether that news had a positive or negative impact on their impression of that party.

Campaign Awareness

Liberals
Conservatives
Bloc (Quebec Only)
One of the NDP, PPC, or Green Party



Impact

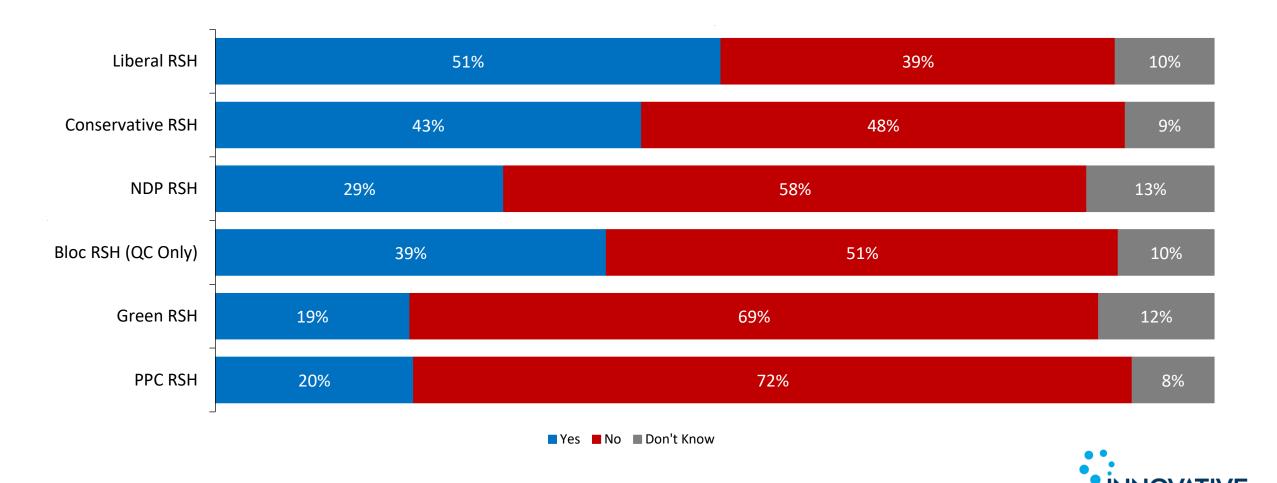
Among those who have read, seen, or heard something



RSH Attention: Attention to the Liberal campaign is the highest, with half (51%) saying they have heard something about Trudeau and the LPC



Have you read, seen or heard anything about [PARTY] in the last few days? [asked of all respondents; n=1200]

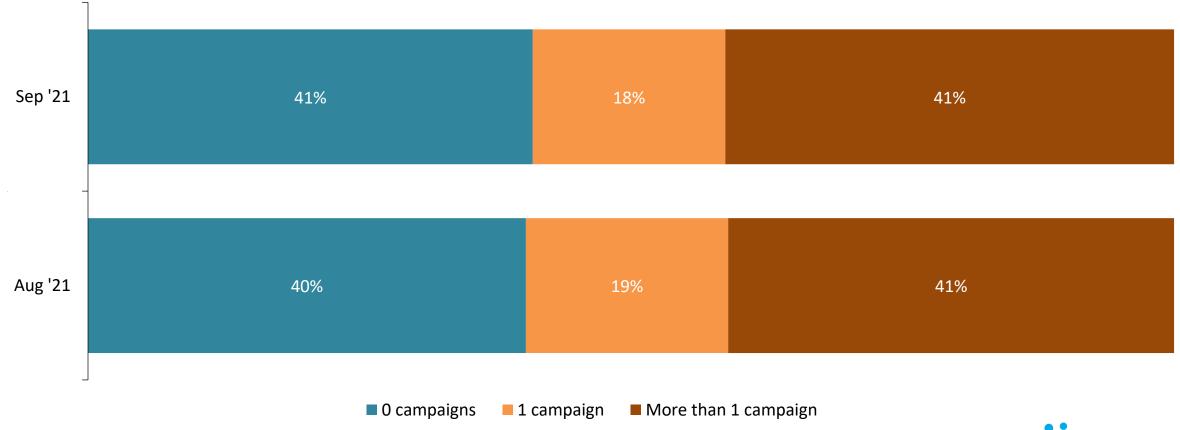


Attention: Attention to the election is steady since late August; 41% haven't heard about the campaigns recently



Have you read, seen or heard anything about [PARTY] in the last few days?

Showing how many different campaigns each respondent has heard something about in the last few days [only asked of core respondents; n=1200]



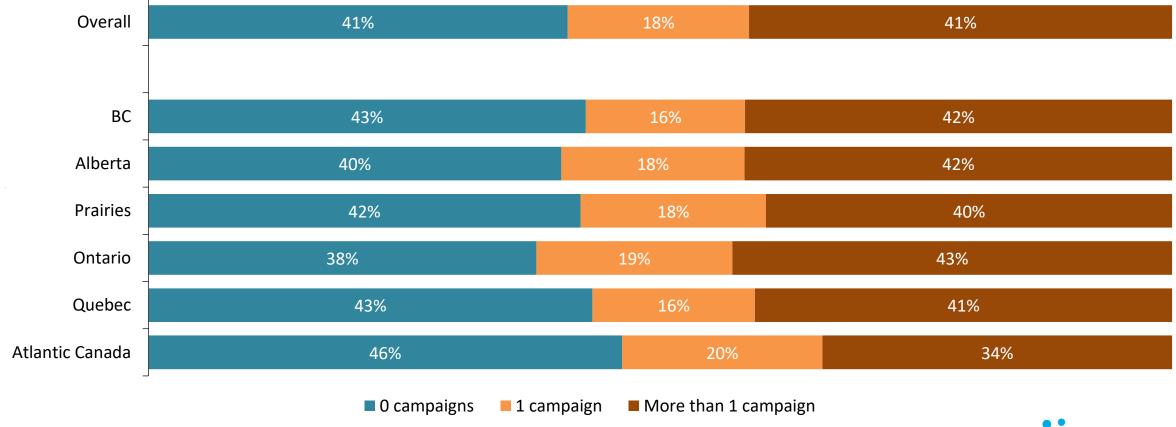


Attention: The share of people who have heard about more than one campaign is steady in all provinces except Atlantic Canada



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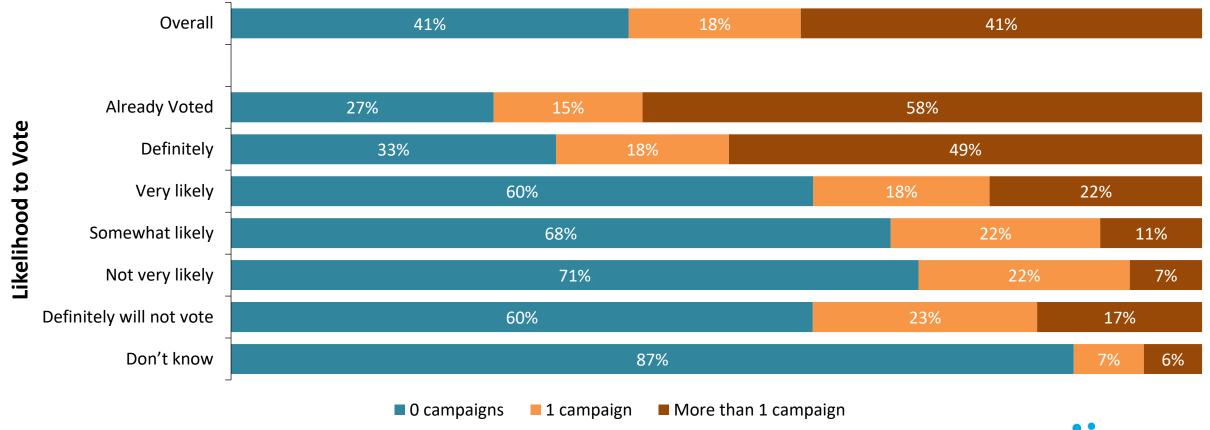


Attention: Those who have voted already are the most likely to be paying attention to multiple campaigns

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Have you read, seen or heard anything about [PARTY] in the last few days?

Showing how many different campaigns each respondent has heard something about in the last few days BY Likelihood to vote [only asked of core respondents; n=1200]

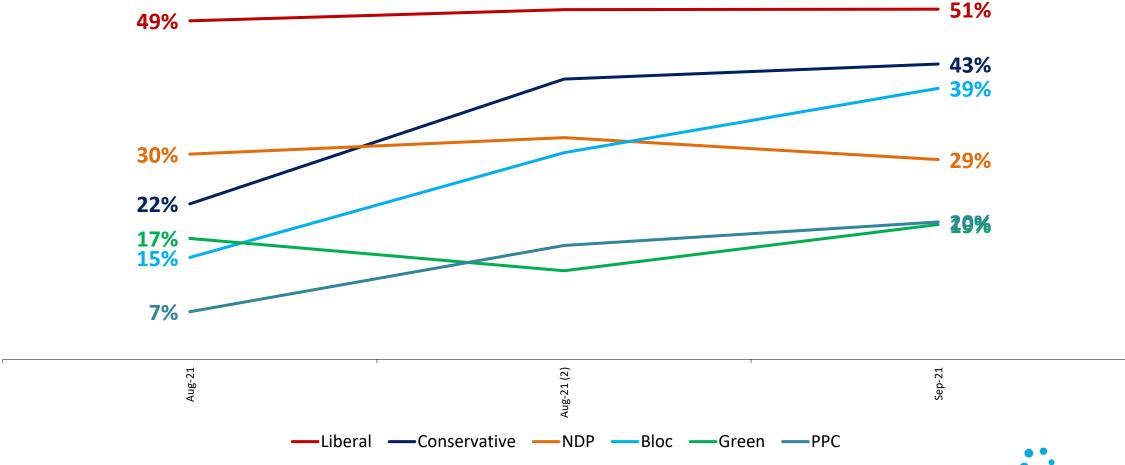




Awareness Tracking: Attention to the Liberals & NDP is steady, while attention to all other parties are up

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Have you read, seen or heard anything about [PARTY] in the last few days? Showing % who have read, seen, or heard about each party.





RSH Trudeau: The Liberals/Trudeau's performance in the debate is the top mention (22%) with a negative net impact of -13%



And what have you read, seen or hear about Justin Trudeau and the federal Liberal party? [OPEN END]

Indigenous issues-general

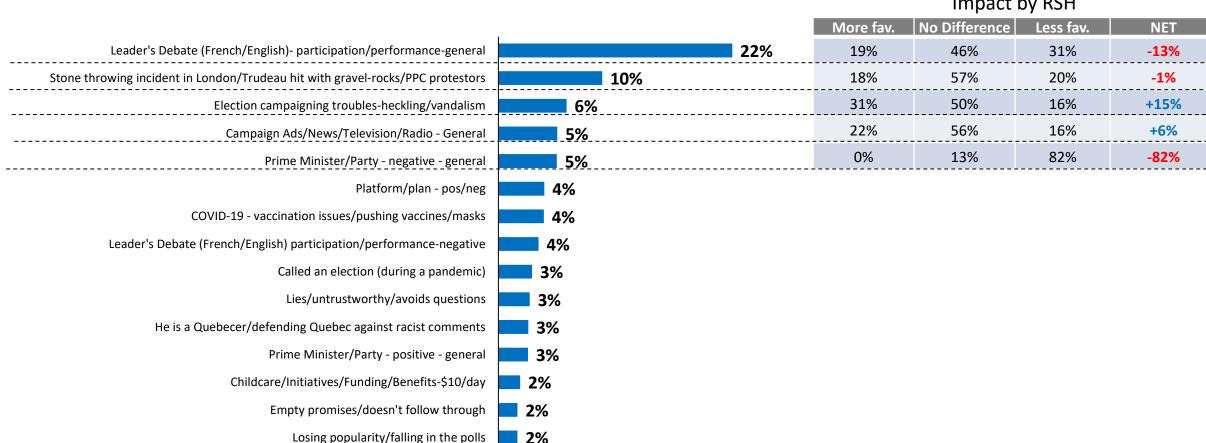
Other

Don't Know

2%

[Asked of those who have RSH; n=607]

Impact by RSH



19%



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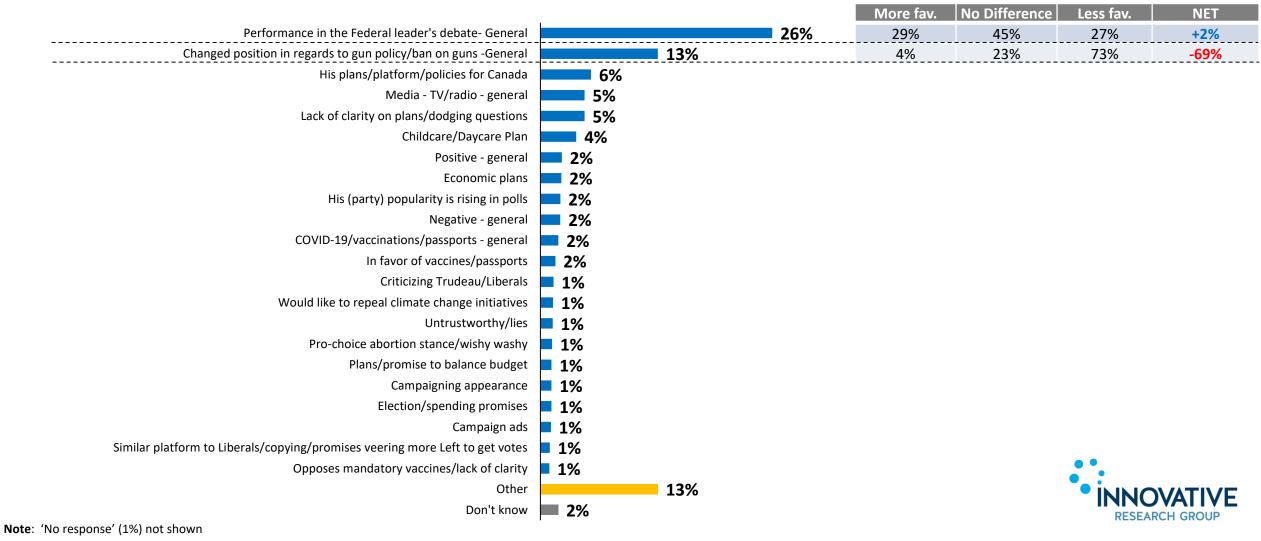
RSH O'Toole: The Conservative/O'Toole's performance in the debate is ¹ the top mention (26%) with a positive net impact of 2%



And what have you read, seen or hear about Erin O'Toole and the federal Conservative party? [OPEN END]

[Asked of those who have RSH; n=512]

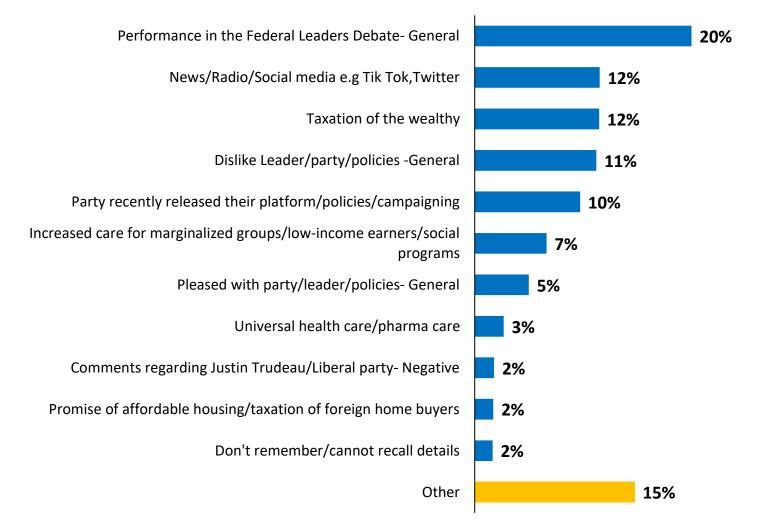
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RSH Singh: The NDP/Singh's performance in the federal leaders debate ¹² is the top mention (20%)

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And what have you read, seen or heard about Jagmeet Singh and the federal NDP party? [OPEN END] [Asked of those who have RSH; n=116]





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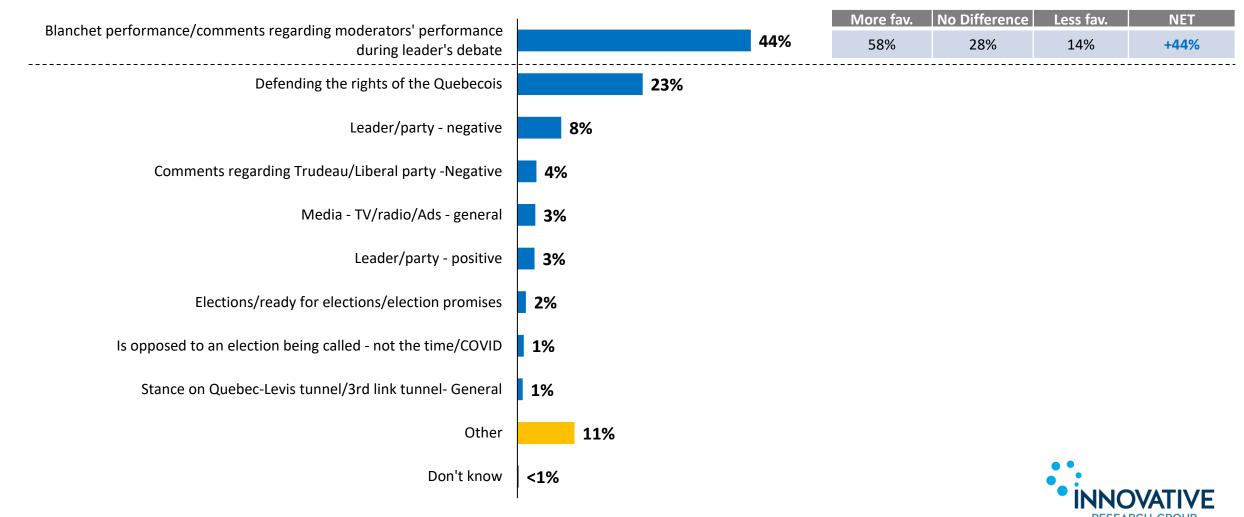
RSH Blanchet: The Bloc/Blanchet's performance during the leader's debate was the top mention (44%), with a positive net impact of 44%



And what did you read, see, or hear about Yves-François Blanchet and the federal Bloc Quebecois Party? [OPEN ENDED]

[Asked of those who have RSH; n=110]

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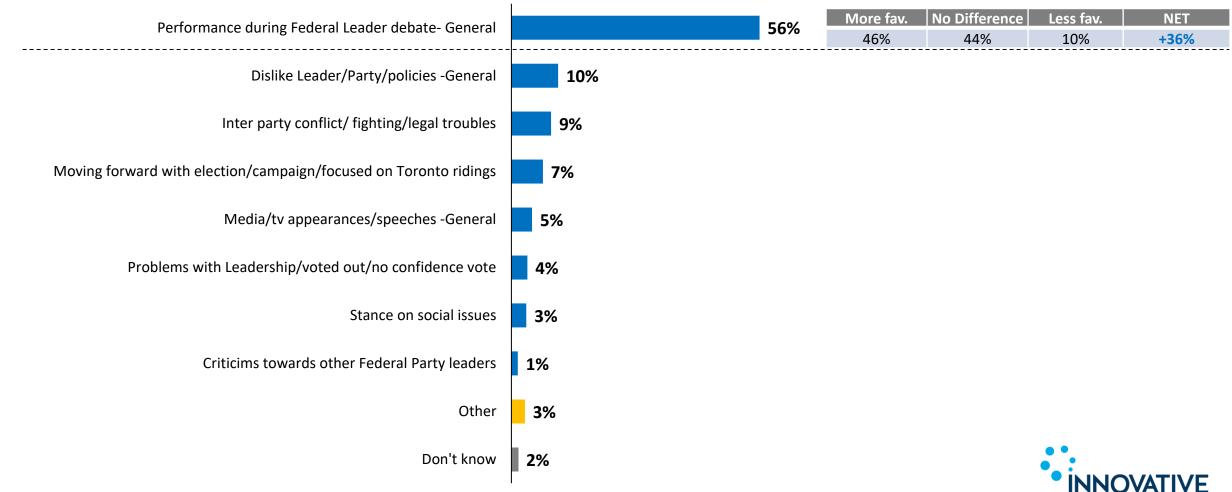


RSH Paul: The Green/Paul's performance in the debate is the top mention (56%) with a positive net impact of 36%



And what did you read, see, or hear about Annamie Paul and the federal Green Party? [OPEN ENDED] [Asked of those who have RSH; n=82]

Impact by RSH

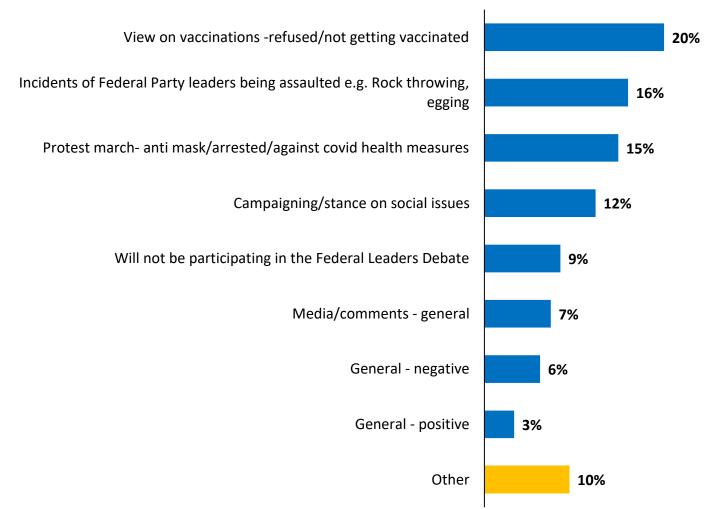


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RSH Bernier: The People's Party/Bernier's top mention (20%) was pertaining to their views on vaccinations



And what have you read, seen or hear about Maxime Bernier and the People's Party? [OPEN END] [Asked of those who have RSH; n=78]





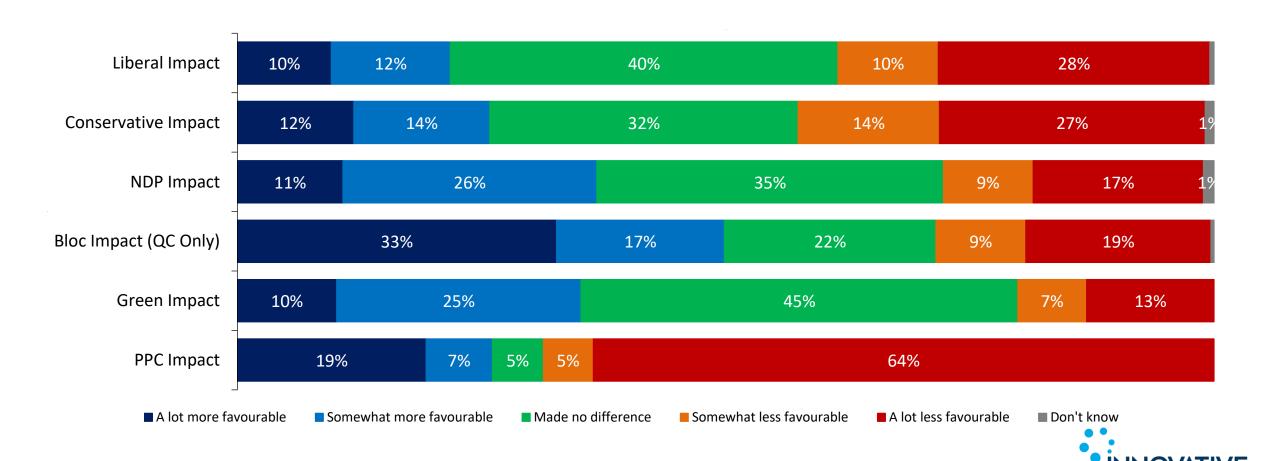
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RSH Impact: The impact of recent campaigning is most favourable for the Bloc and Green; less favourable for the LPC, CPC and PPC



Did what you read, see or hear leave you feeling a lot more favourable, somewhat more favourable, somewhat less favourable or a lot less favourable towards [PARTY], or did it make no difference?

[asked of all respondents; n=577]

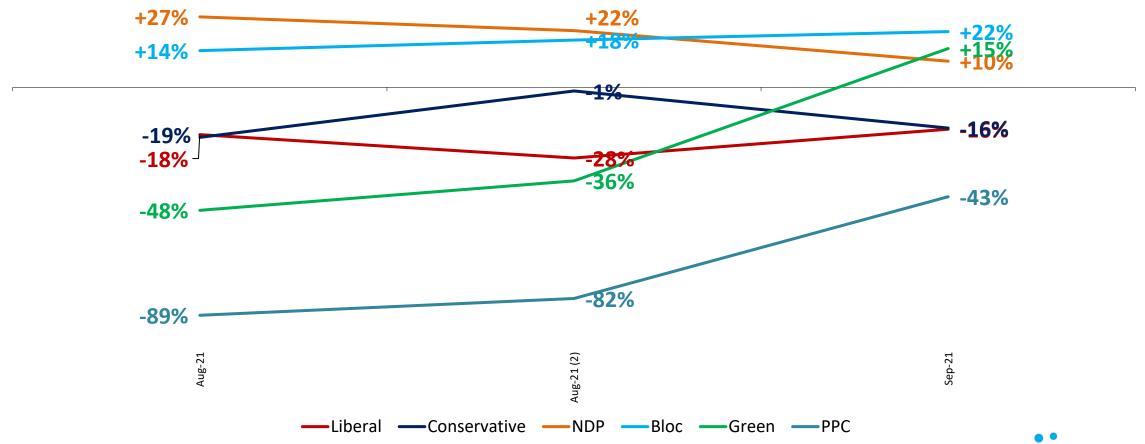


Net Impact Tracking: The Green and the PPC are showing the strongest improvement in the net impact of campaign awareness



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[only asked of core respondents who have RSH; n=1200]





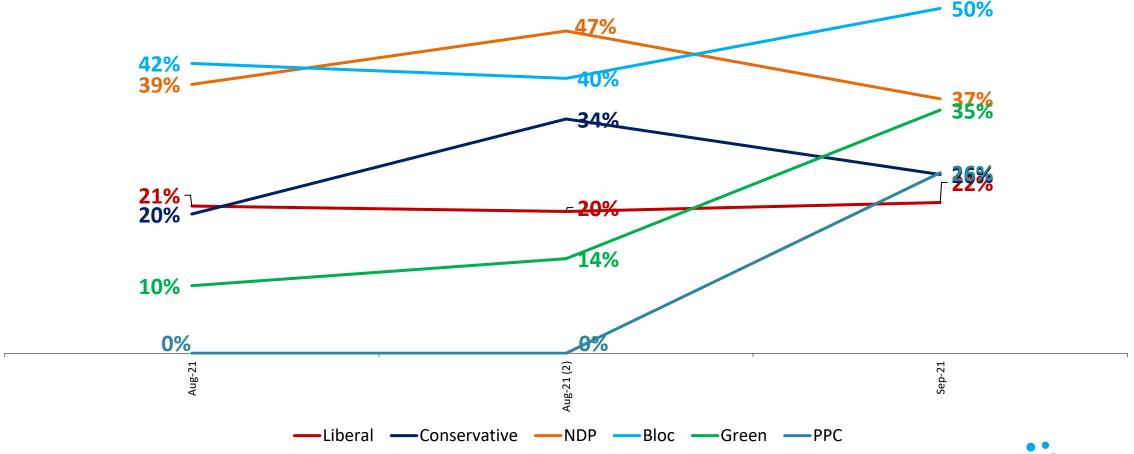
Note: Showing Net Impact [Total More Favourable – Total Less Favourable] Current data: September 2021

Positive Impact Tracking: Positive impacts are up for the Bloc, Green, PPC and Liberals but down for the Conservatives and NDP



Did what you read, see or hear leave you feeling a lot more favourable, somewhat more favourable, somewhat less favourable or a lot less favourable towards [PARTY], or did it make no difference? Showing % who said "a lot more favourable" or "somewhat more favourable"

[only asked of core respondents who have RSH; n=1200]



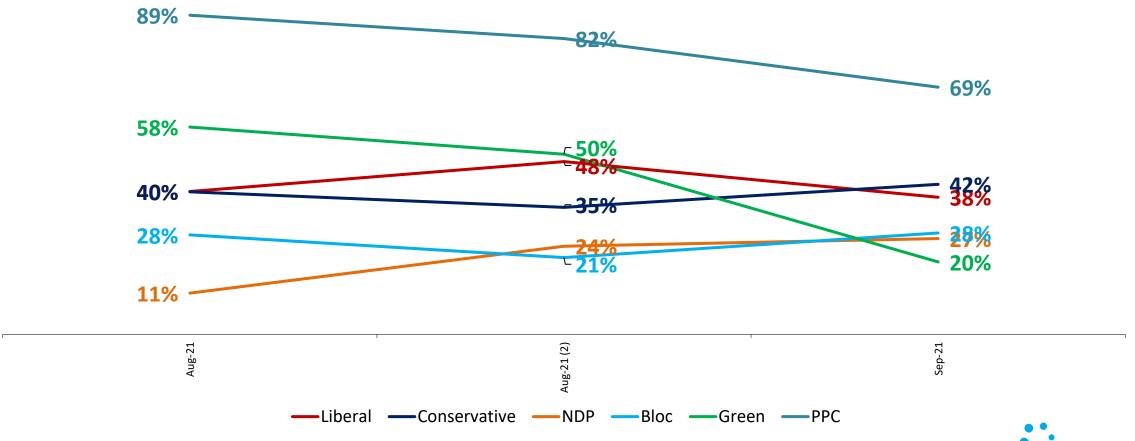


Negative Impact Tracking: Negative impacts are down for most parties ¹⁹ except CPC, Bloc and NDP, which have gone up



Did what you read, see or hear leave you feeling a lot more favourable, somewhat more favourable, somewhat less favourable or a lot less favourable towards [PARTY], or did it make no difference? Showing % who said "a lot less favourable" or "somewhat less favourable"

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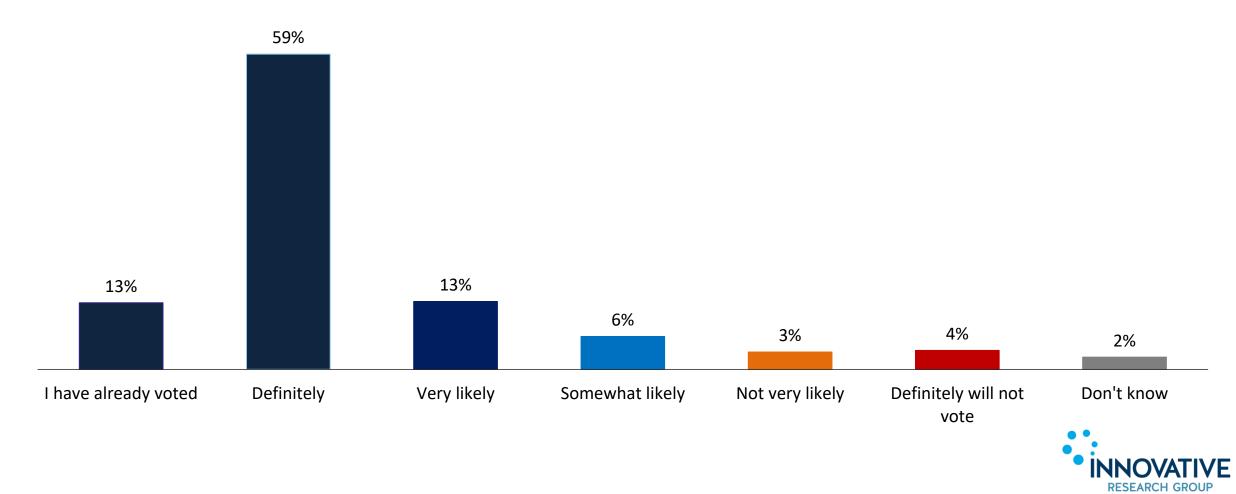
Federal Vote

Likelihood to Vote: 7-in-10 (72%) respondents say that they will definitely vote in the federal election, or they have already voted



As you may have heard there is going to be a federal election on September 20th of this year. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming Canadian federal election?

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]



Current data: September 2021

Federal Combined Vote: Among those who have already voted, the Liberals and Conservatives nearly are tied



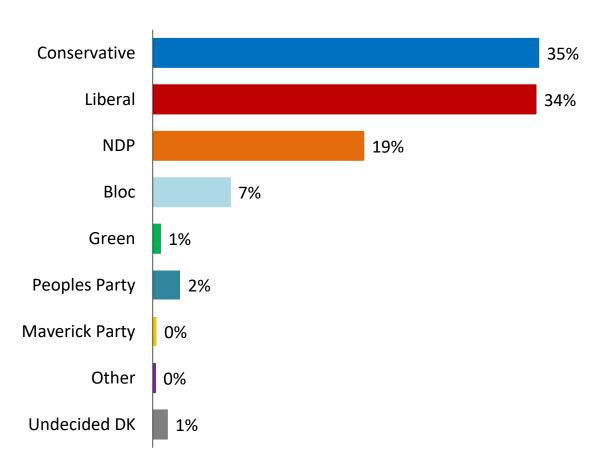
[RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE ALREADY VOTED] And which party did you vote for?

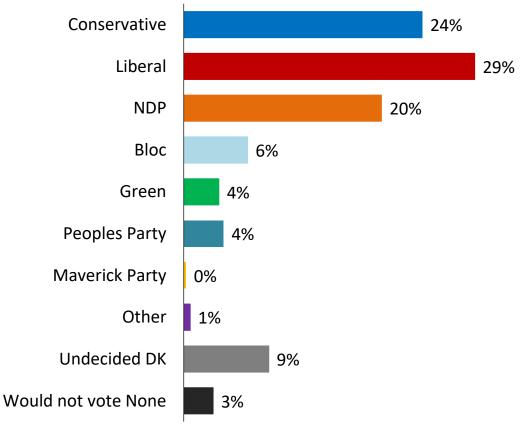
[asked of all respondents who have not voted yet; n=301]



[RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE NOT YET VOTED] If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean]

[asked of all respondents who have not voted yet; n=2,099]





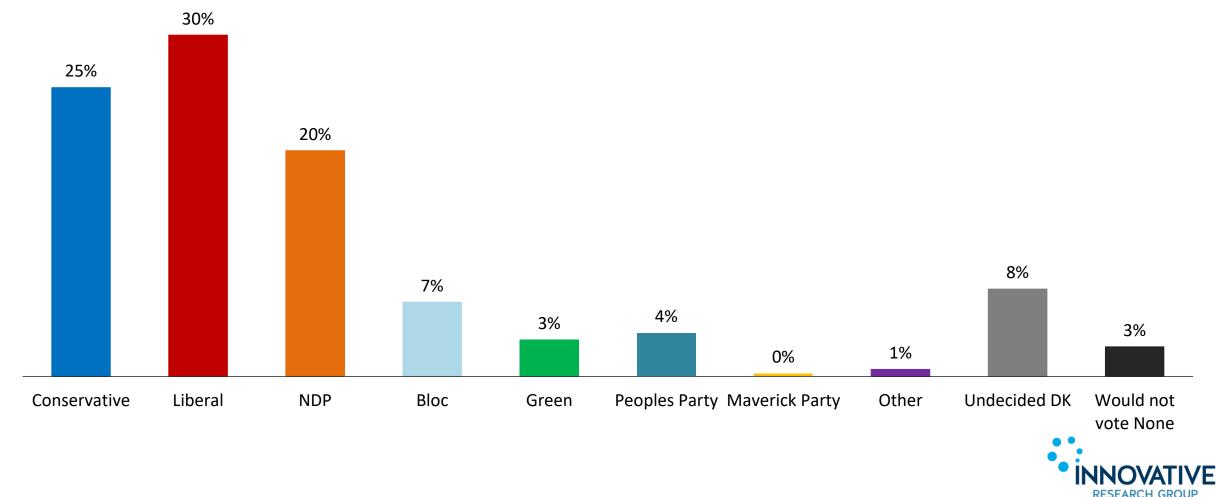


Federal Combined Vote: The Liberals (30%) lead the Conservatives (25%) by 5-points, NDP (20%) trail by 10 points behind the Liberals



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[asked of all respondents; n=2400]

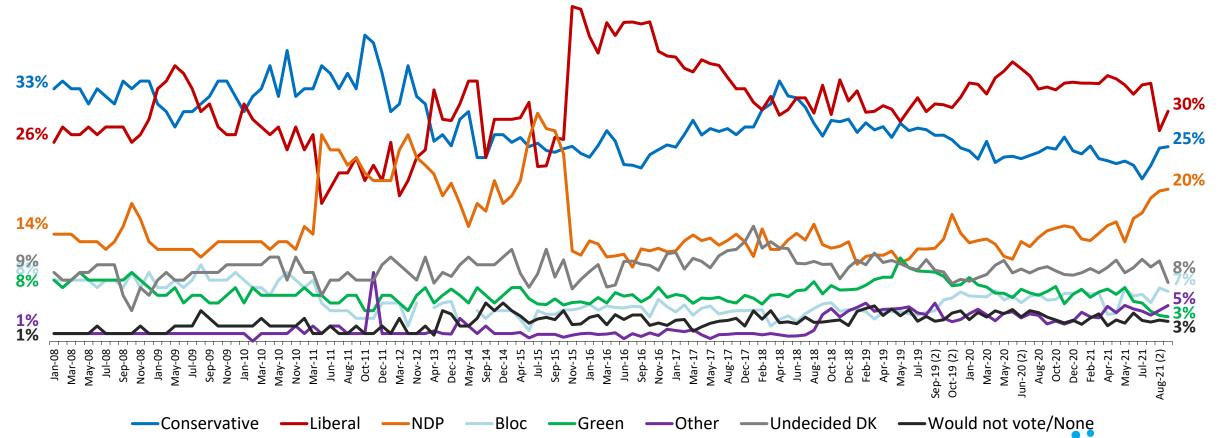


Federal Vote Tracking: The Liberals are up this week, while the Conservatives and the NDP are steady



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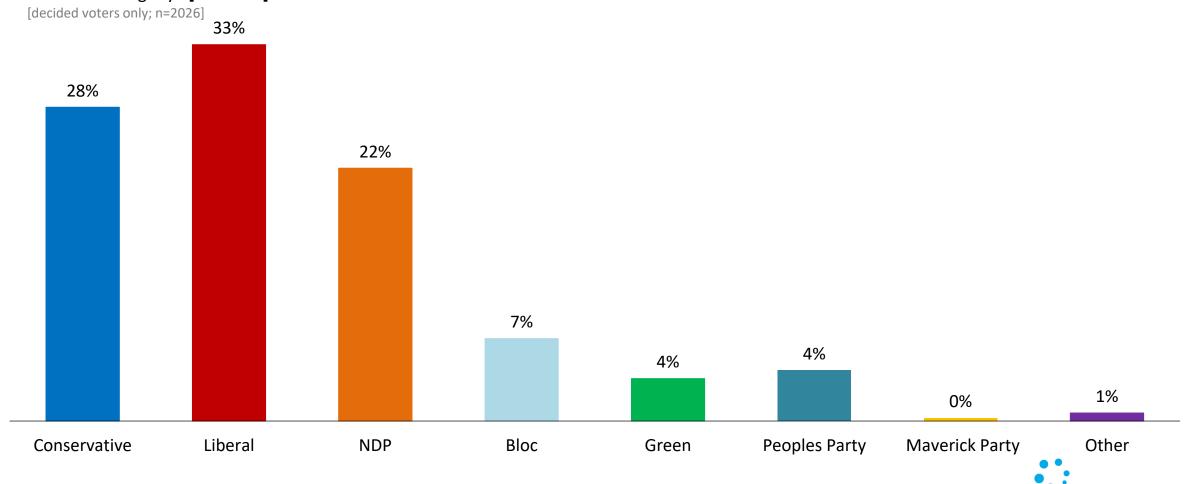
[asked of all respondents; n=2400]





Federal Decided Vote: Among decided voters, 33% would vote for the Liberal party, while 28% would vote Conservative

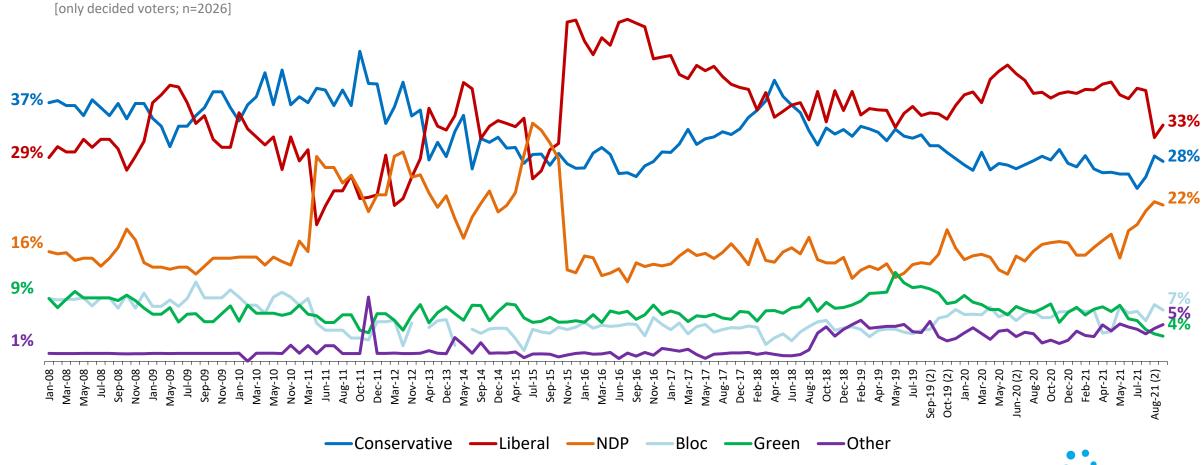
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Federal Decided Vote Tracking: The Liberals still lead (33%), while the Conservatives (28%) and NDP (22%) continue to trail

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Decided Vote

Decided Vote by Region: The CPC lead in AB & the Prairies but lost ground in Atl. BC is in a 2-way tie; Liberals have edge over Bloc in QC

Decided vote by Region

Region

	ВС	АВ	Prairies	ON	QC	Atlantic
	(N=289)	(N=244)	(N=149)	(N=822)	(N=503)	(N=146)
Conservative	32%	44%	37%	29%	16%	24%
Liberal	24%	24%	25%	38%	36%	43%
NDP	34%	24%	21%	24%	11%	25%
Bloc	0%	0%	0%	0%	31%	0%
Green	6%	2%	8%	3%	3%	2%
Other	3%	5%	10%	6%	3%	6%

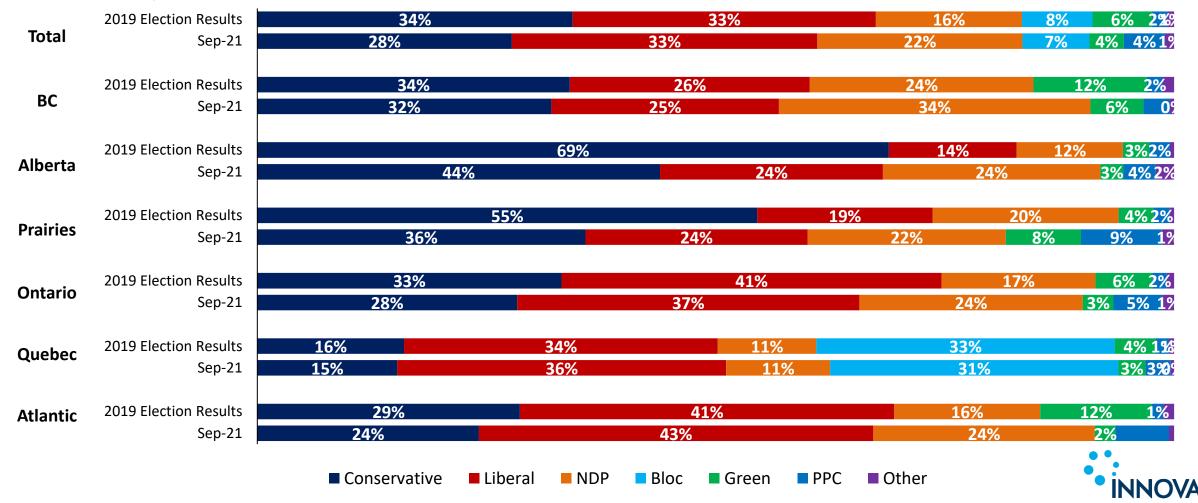
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Decided Federal Vote by Region: The support for the Conservatives in AB and the Prairies has dramatically dropped since 2019



[RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE ALREADY VOTED] And which party did you vote for? OR [RESPONDENTS WHO HAVE NOT YET VOTED] If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [DECIDED]

[asked of all respondents who voted in federal election; n=2,026]

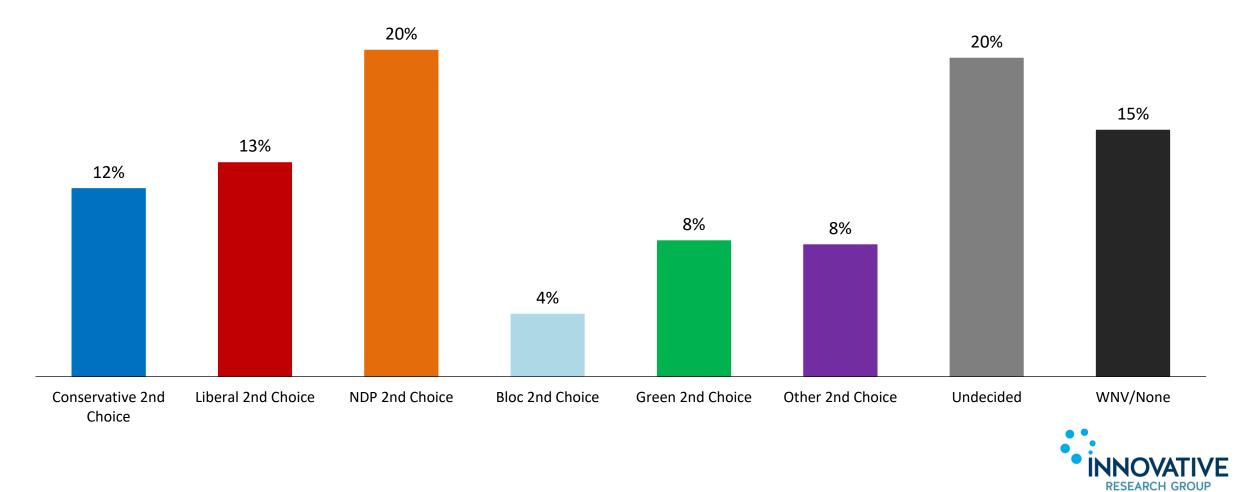


Federal 2nd Choice: The NDP (20%) are the top 2nd choice, while 35% are either undecided or would not vote



And which party would be your second choice?

[only decided voters; n=1856]



Current data: September 2021

Federal 2nd Choice: Liberals and NDP strongly favour each other on second choice.

And which party would be your second choice? BY [Vote+Lean]

First Choice

	Conservative 1st Choice	Liberal 1st Choice	NDP 1st Choice	Bloc 1st Choice	Green 1st Choice	Other 1st Choice
	(N=506)	(N=617)	(N=420)	(N=136)	(N=75)	(N=103)
Conservative 2nd Choice		14%	14%	23%	4%	33%
Liberal 2nd Choice	13%		34%	16%	14%	4%
NDP 2nd Choice	18%	38%		10%	21%	16%
Bloc 2nd Choice	5%	5%	3%		6%	2%
Green 2nd Choice	5%	7%	17%	4%	0%	10%
Other 2nd Choice	19%	4%	3%	3%	8%	9%
Undecided	20%	17%	23%	23%	27%	13%
WNV/None	19%	16%	7%	22%	20%	14%

Note: 'Other' in Combined Vote not shown due to insufficient sample size. Current data: September 2021

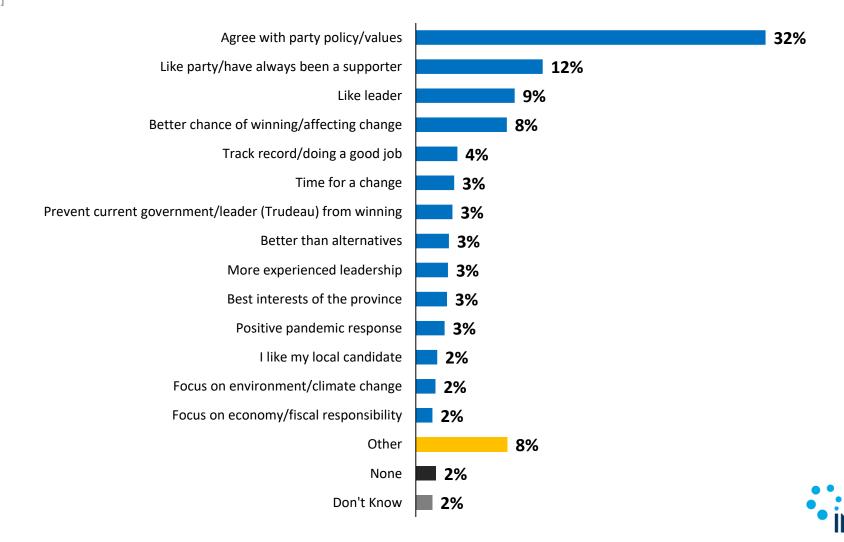


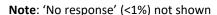
First Choice: A plurality (32%) prefer their first choice because they agree with the party's policies and values



And why do you prefer your first choice over your second choice?

[asked of all respondents; n=1221]

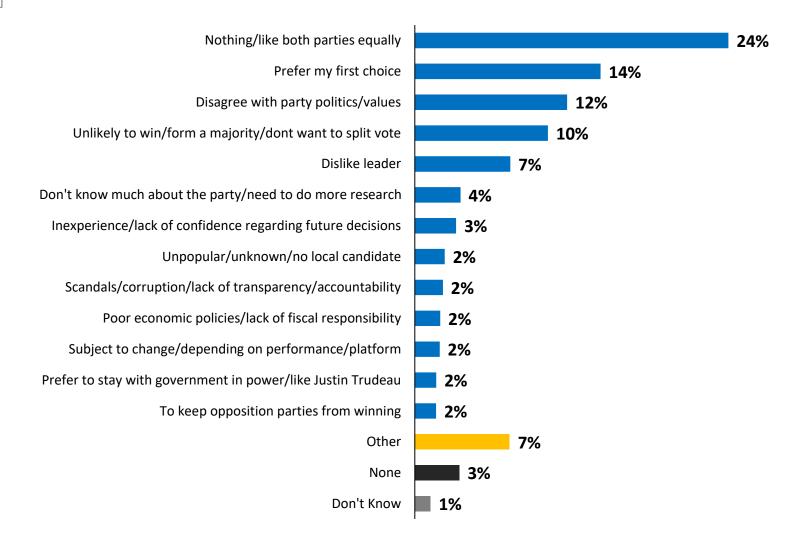






Is there anything holding you back from voting for your second choice?

[asked of all respondents; n=1221]



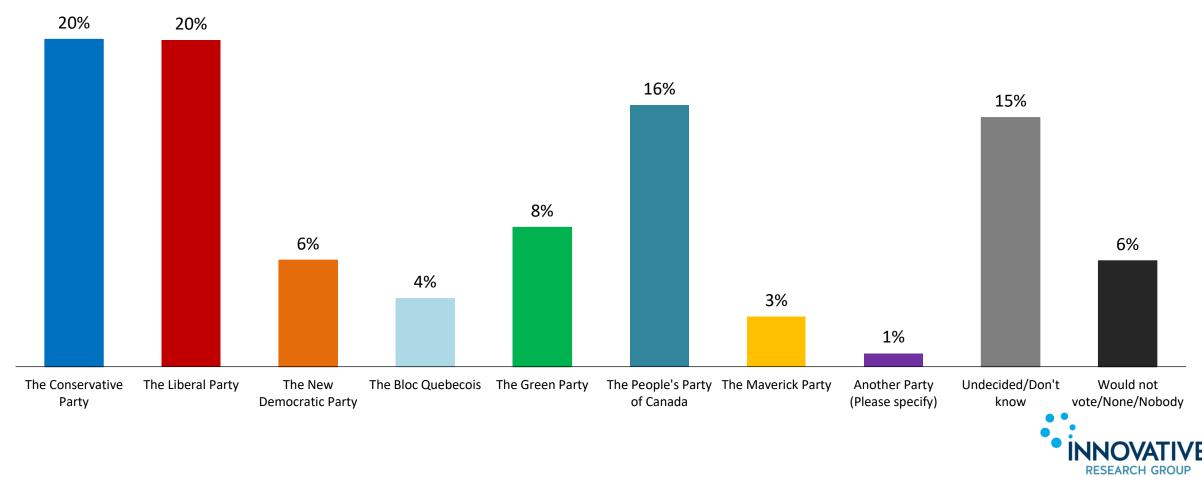


Never Vote: 2-in-10 (20%) respondents say they would never vote for each of the Conservatives or the Liberals



Is there any party you would never vote for?

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]

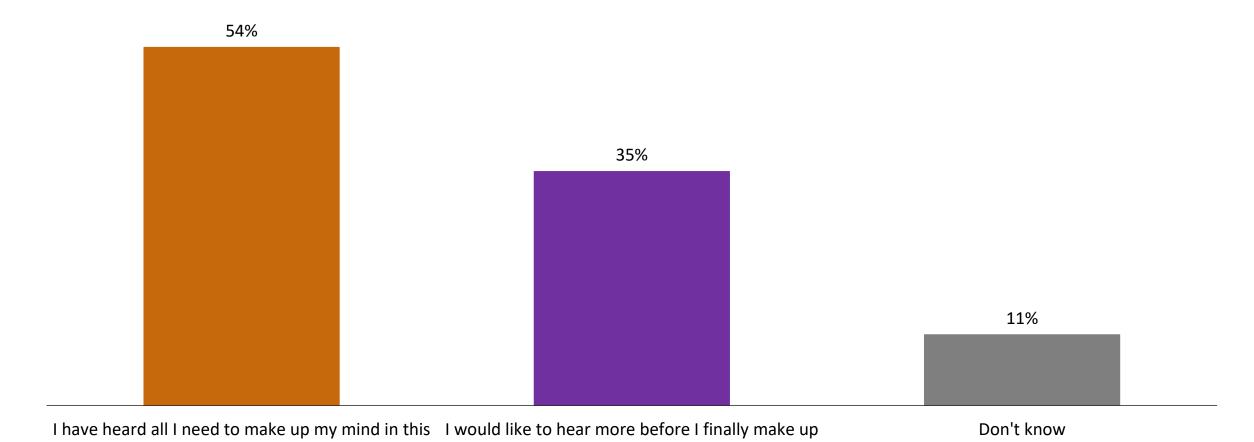


Current data: September 2021

Satisficing: More than half (54%) of Canadians say they have heard all that they need to make up their minds in this election



Which statement is closest to your view about the upcoming federal election? [asked of all respondents who have not yet voted; n=2099]



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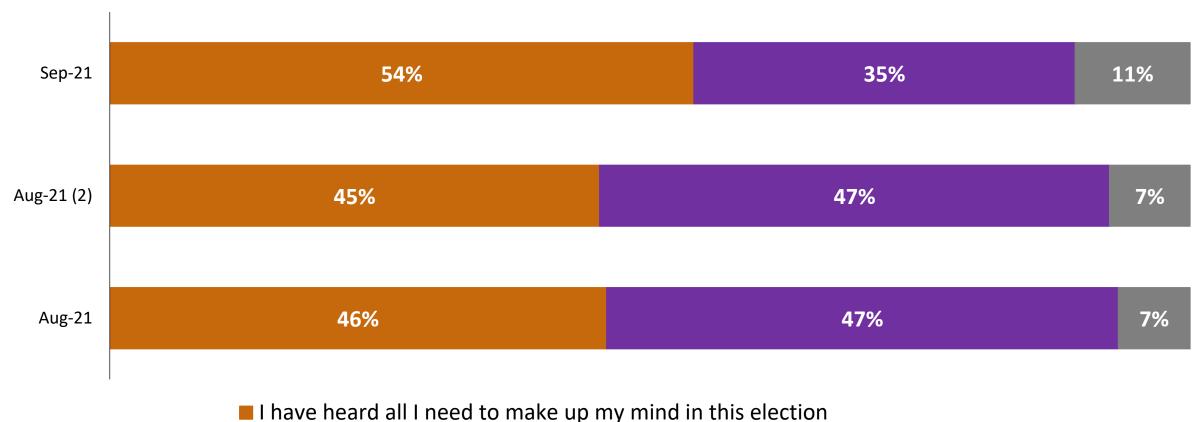
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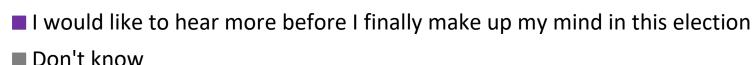
Satisficing Tracking: Voters are now are more likely to have made up their minds now than at start of campaign



Which statement is closest to your view about the upcoming federal election?

[asked of all respondents who have not yet voted; n=2,099]







Current data: September 2021

Satisficing

Firmness of Vote: Conservative, Liberal, Bloc, and other voters are the ³⁶ most likely to say they have heard everything they need to hear

Which statement is closest to your view about the upcoming federal election BY [Vote+Lean]

First Choice

	Conservative 1st Choice	Liberal 1st Choice	NDP 1st Choice	Bloc 1st Choice	Green 1st Choice	Other 1st Choice
	(N=506)	(N=617)	(N=420)	(N=136)	(N=75)	(N=103)
I have heard all I need to make up my mind in this election		61%	53%	57%	42%	69%
I would like to hear more before I finally make up my mind in this election	1 44% 1	34%	38%	32%	42%	25%
Don't know	4%	5%	9%	10%	15%	6%

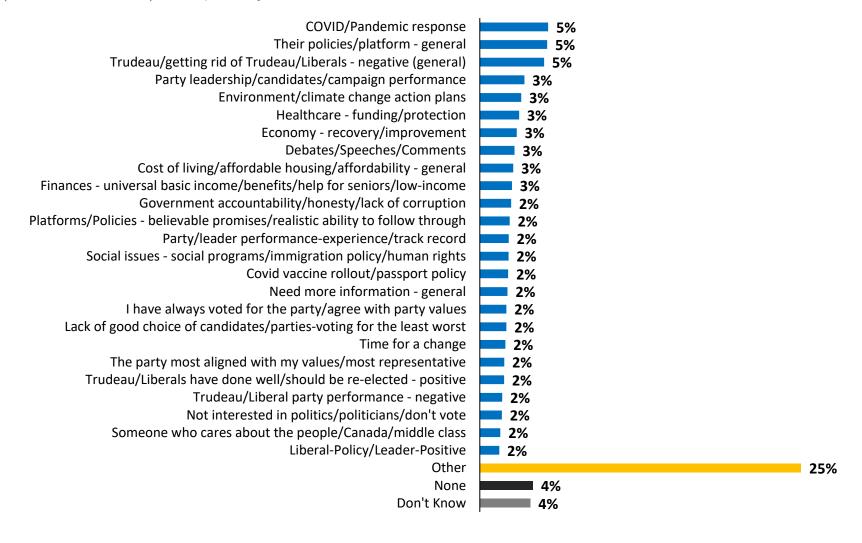


Key Factors: Among the respondents, the key factors that make up their mind for the election is 'getting rid of Trudeau' & response to COVID



What will the key factor be in making up your mind this election?

[asked only of those respondents who have not yet voted; n=2110]

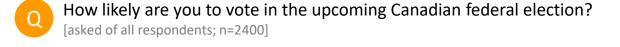


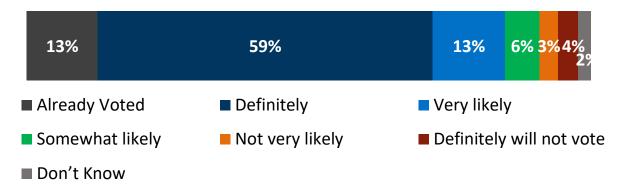


Measuring the Impact of Turnout on the Election Results

- Because turnout can impact the final election results, we also look at voting intention within groups of people that are more likely to turn up at the polling stations.
- The factors we use to measure likelihood to turn out are: 1) Their stated likelihood to vote; 2) Whether they've made up their mind; and 3) Whether they voted in 2019.
- Which statement is closest to your view about the upcoming federal election?

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]

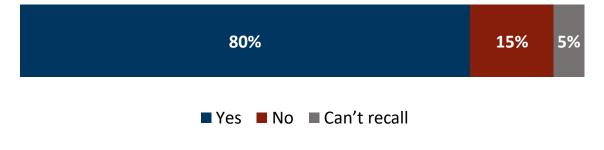




Thinking back to 2019, did you happen to vote in the federal election...? [asked of all respondents; n=2400]



- I have heard all I need to make up my mind in this election
- I would like to hear more before I finally make up my mind in this election
- Don't know

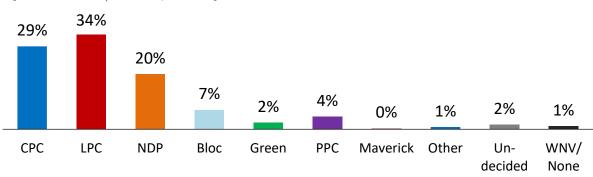




Measuring the Impact of Turnout on the Election Results: Liberals are highest among those who have made up their minds

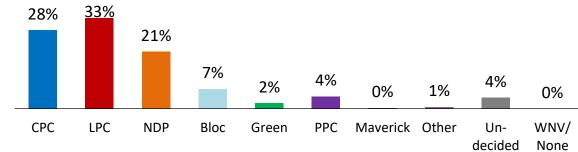
Combined vote: Overall

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]



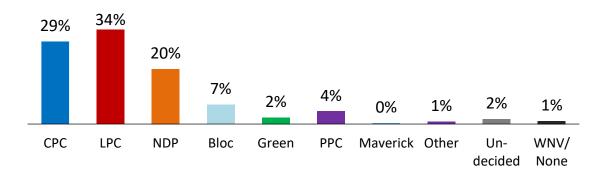
Combined vote: Definitely going to vote or already voted





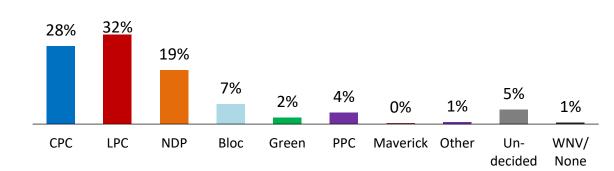
Combined vote: Made up their minds

[asked of all respondents: n=1800]



Combined vote: Voted in 2019

[asked of all respondents: n=1905]





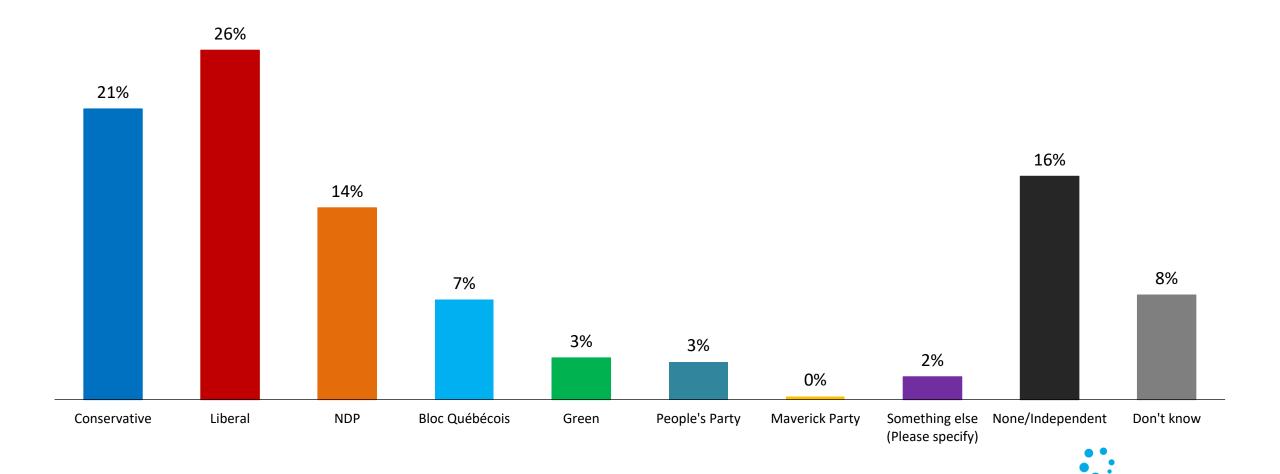
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Partisanship

Federal Party ID: The Liberals hold a lead on partisanship at 26%, just 5-points ahead of the Conservatives trailing at 21%

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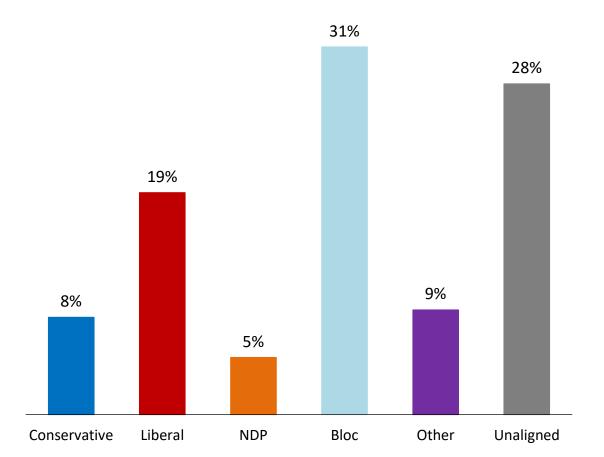
Thinking about politics in Canada, generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a... [asked of all respondents; n=2400]



Federal Party ID (Quebec vs. ROC): In Quebec, the Liberals are second 42 on Party ID after the Bloc

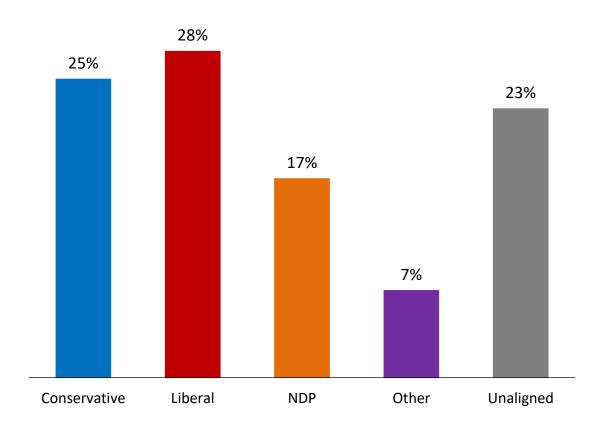
Party ID: Quebec

[Respondents in Quebec; n=563]



Party ID: Rest of Canada

[Respondents in the rest of Canada; n=1837]



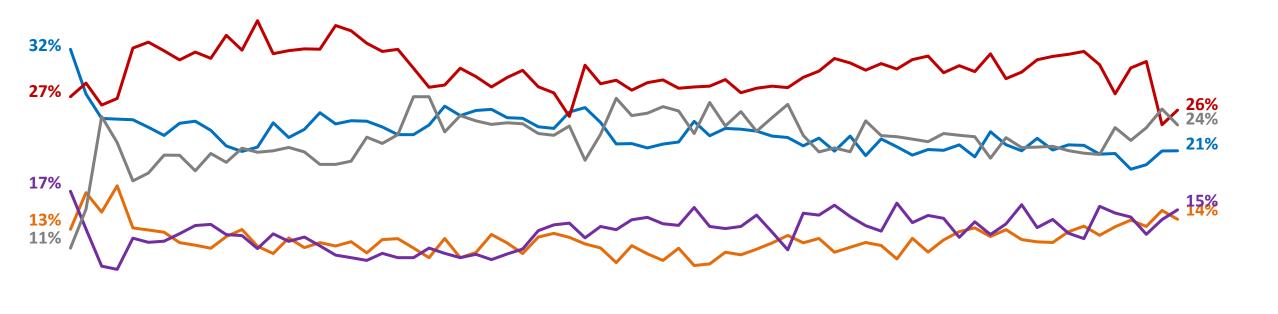


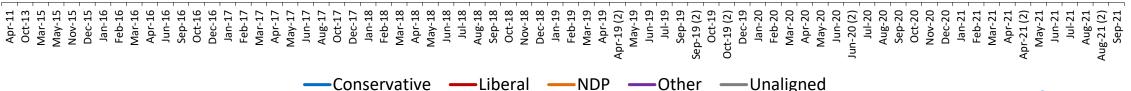
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Federal Party ID Tracking: The Liberals still maintain their lead among partisanship; 1-in-4 (24%) Canadians are unaligned



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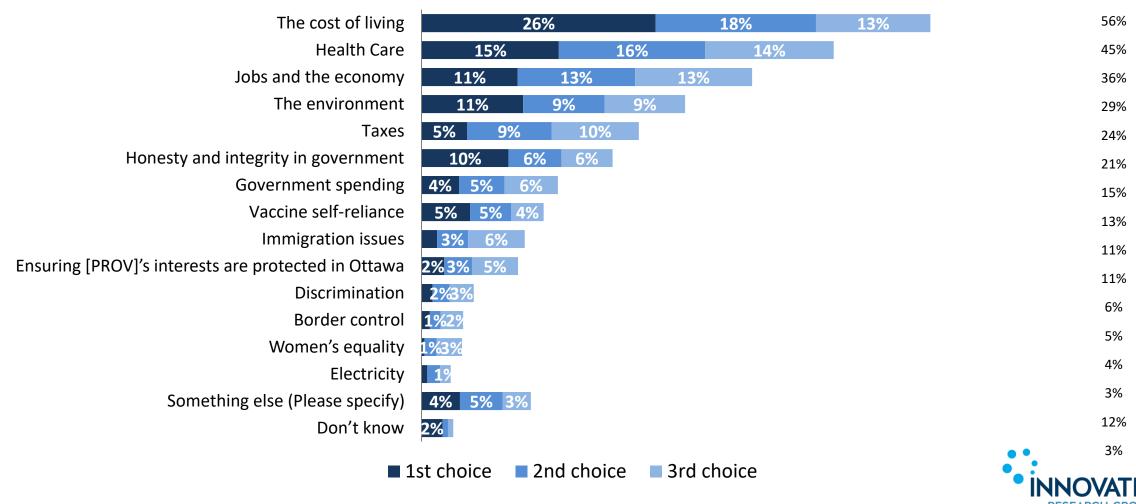
Issue Importance: Almost 3-in-5 (56%) claim that the most important issue is the cost of living, while 45% say health care is the most important



Which of the following issues is the most important issue to you? And which of these issues is the next most important to you? And which of these issues is the next most important to you?

Total

[asked of all respondents; n=1200]



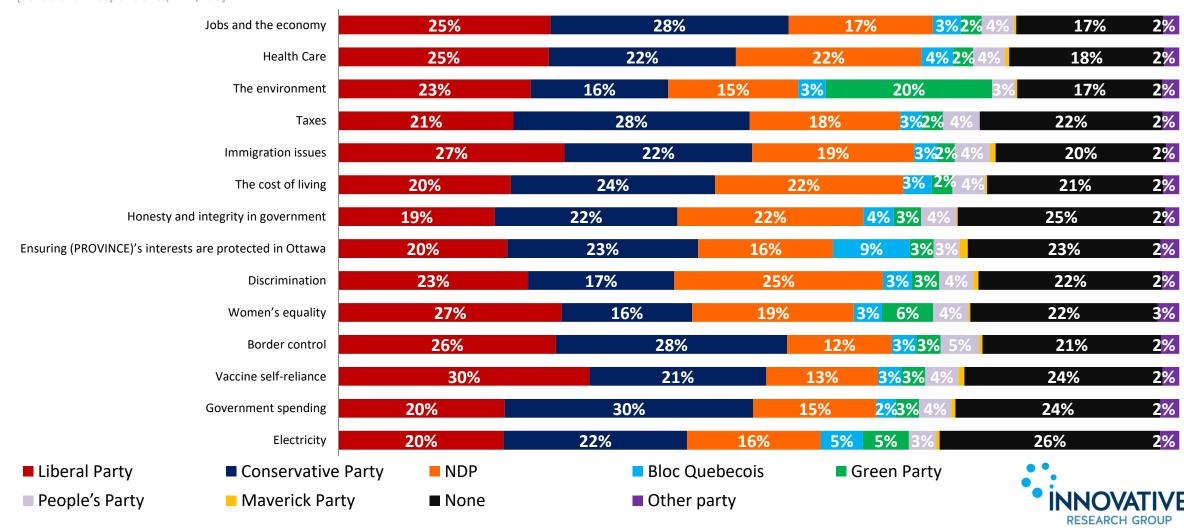
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Note: 'No response' not shown. Respondents who say 'Don't know' do not get asked for further priorities.

Issue Ownership: The Liberal Party's top attributes are vaccine self-reliance (30%), immigration issues (27%) and women's equality (27%)



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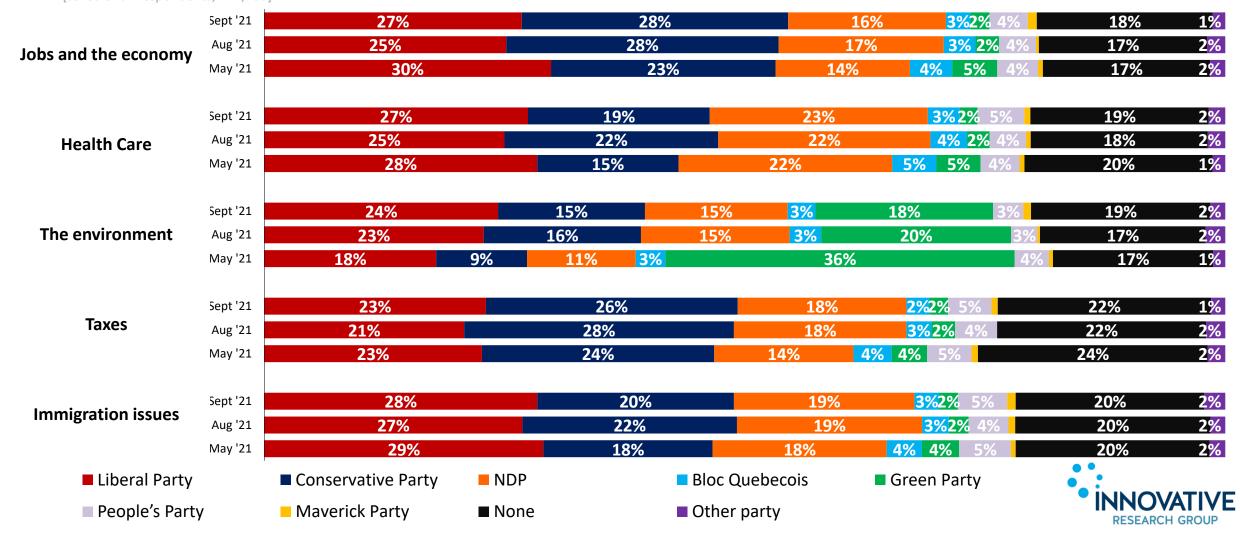


Issue Tracking: The Conservatives are now viewed as the best party on jobs and the economy (28%)

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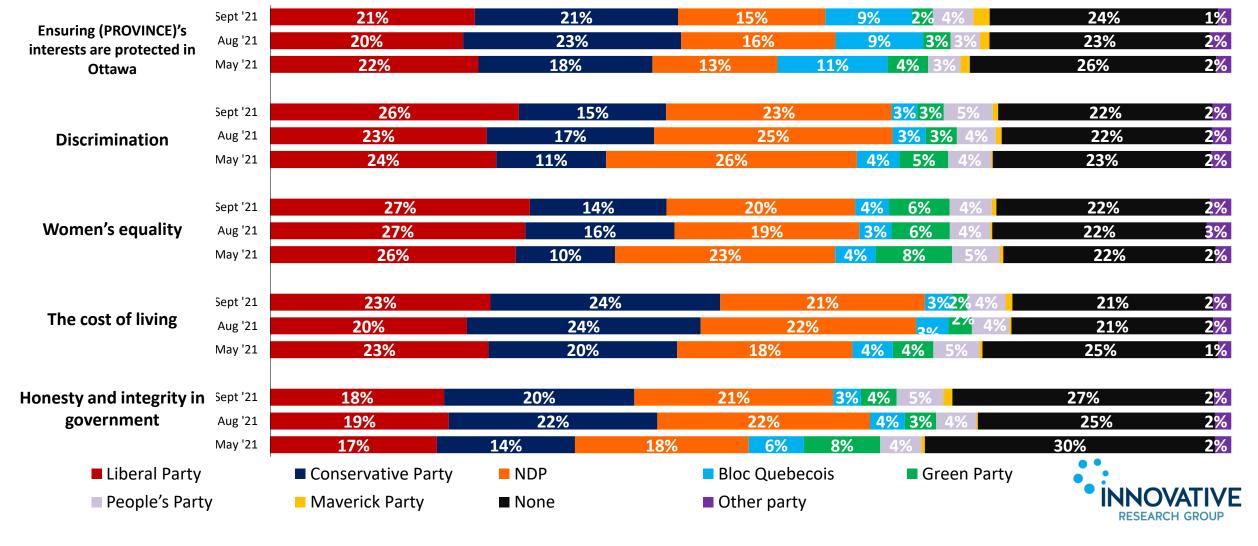




Issue Tracking: The Liberals are now the top choice on discrimination (26%); ahead of the NDP (23%)

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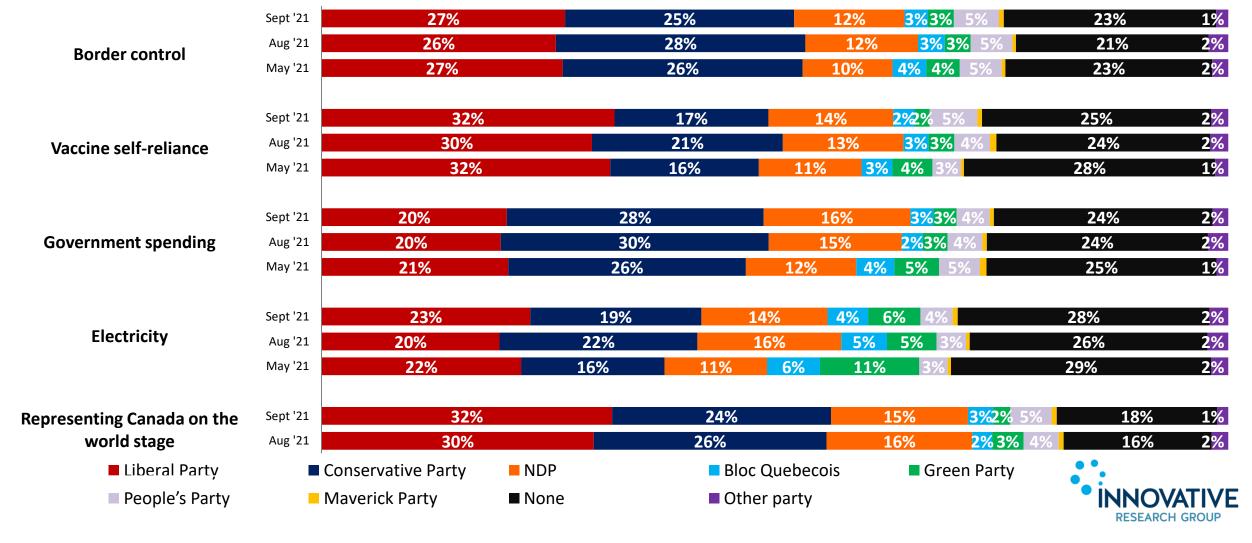
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Issue Tracking: The Liberal Party remains the top party at dealing with women's equality and vaccine self-reliance



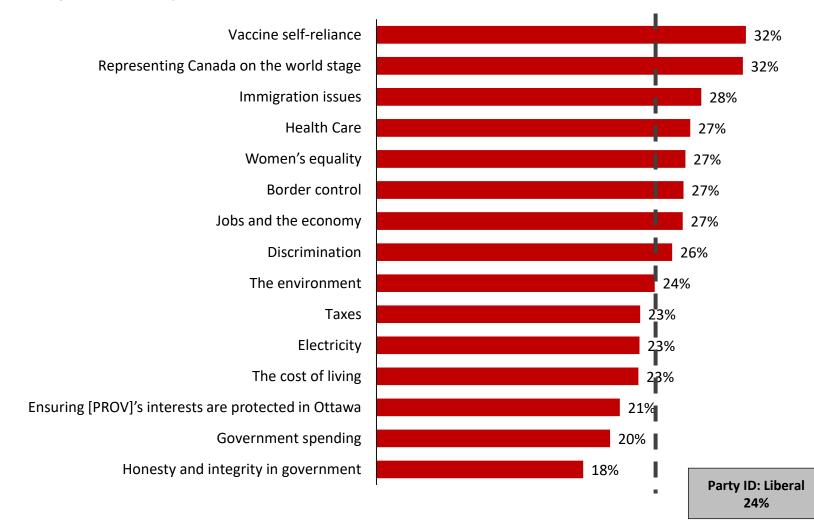
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Liberal Issues: The Liberal Party's worst attribute is "honesty and integrity in government"



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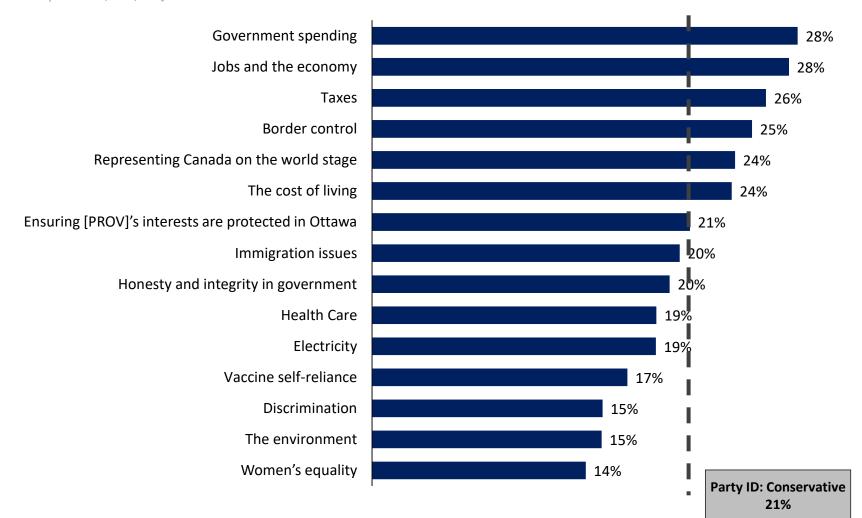




Conservative Issues: The Conservatives are viewed as best on government spending (28%) and worst on women's equality (14%)



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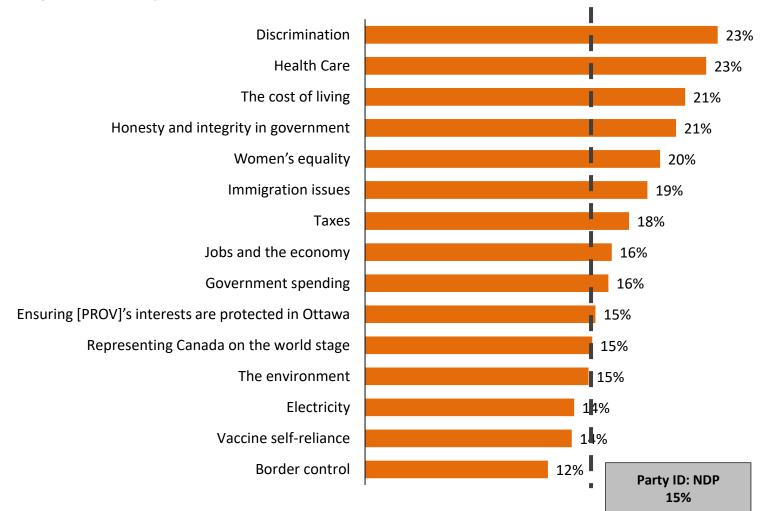




NDP Issues: The NDP are viewed as best on discrimination (23%) and worst on border control (12%)



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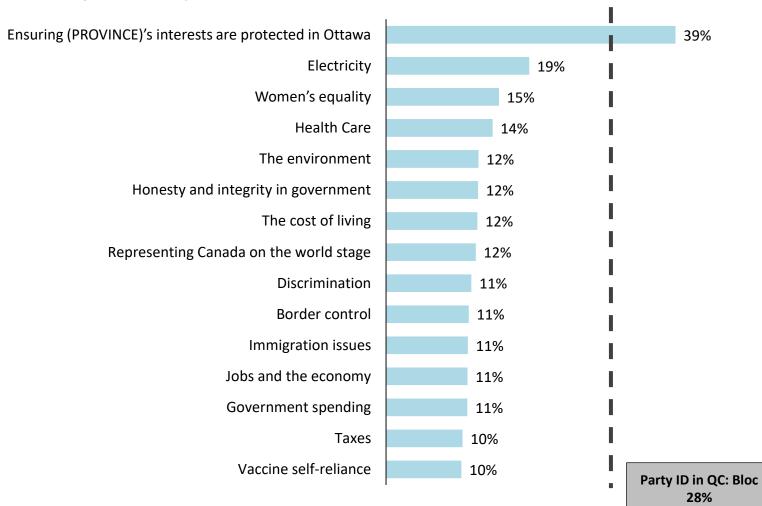


Bloc Issues: The Bloc are viewed in Quebec principally as defenders of ⁵² Quebec interests in Ottawa



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[asked of all QC respondents; n=562]

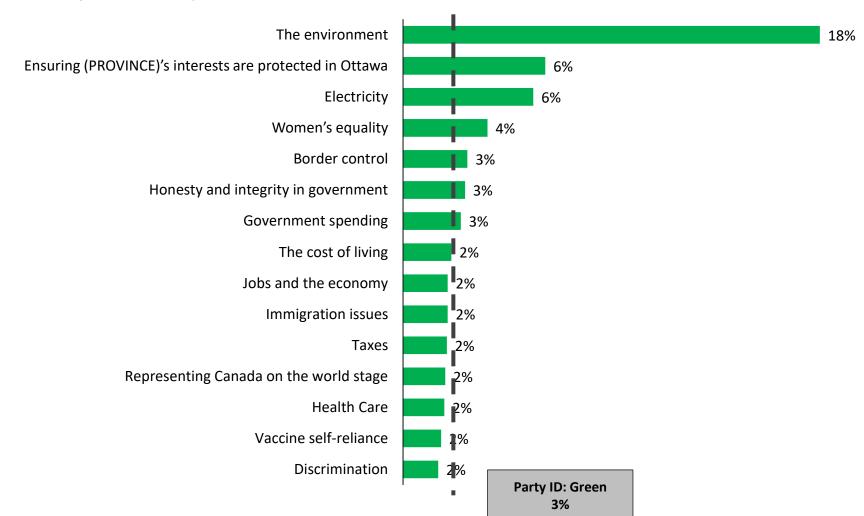




Green Issues: The Greens are viewed as best on the environment, low on all other issues



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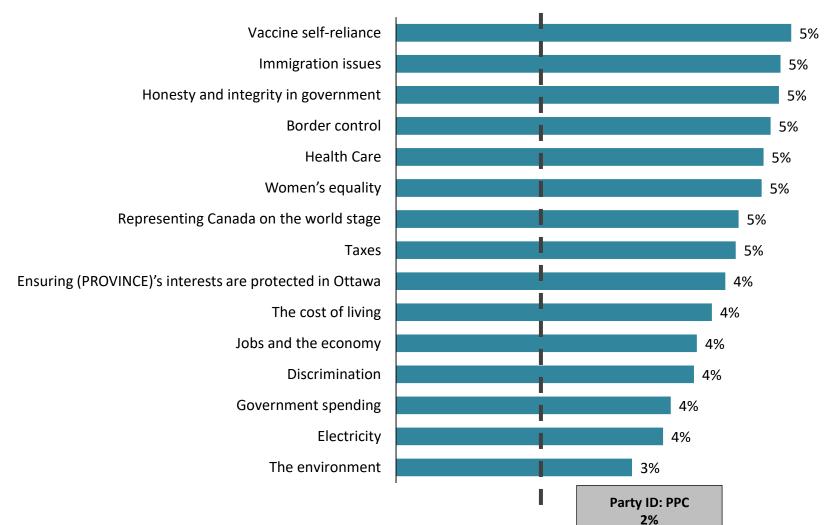




PPC Issues: The PPC are seen as best on vaccine self-reliance (5%) and worst on the environment (3%)



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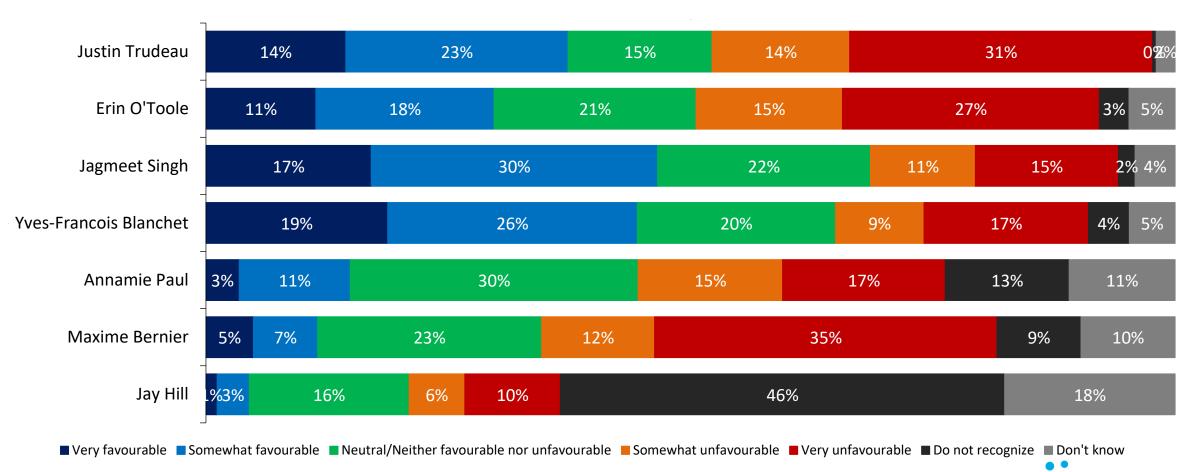
Leadership

Leader Favourables: Over 4-in-10 (47%) have a favourable impressions ⁵⁶ of Singh, followed by Blanchet (44%)



Now we are going to provide you with several names of public figures. Please indicate whether you have heard of that person and, if so, whether you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of that person. If you do not recognize the name, just indicate that.

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]



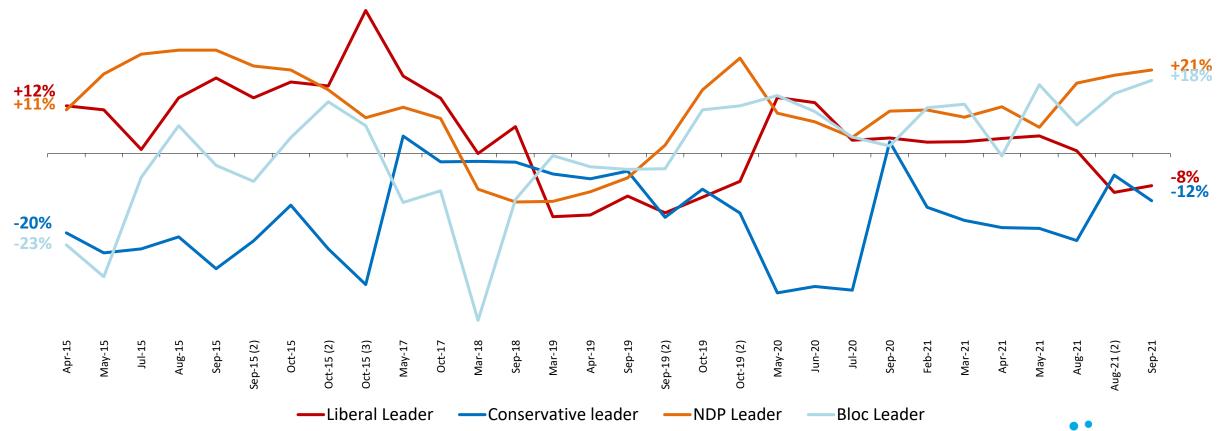
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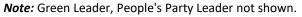
Party Leader NET Favourables Tracking: O'Toole now has a lower net favourable rating than Trudeau



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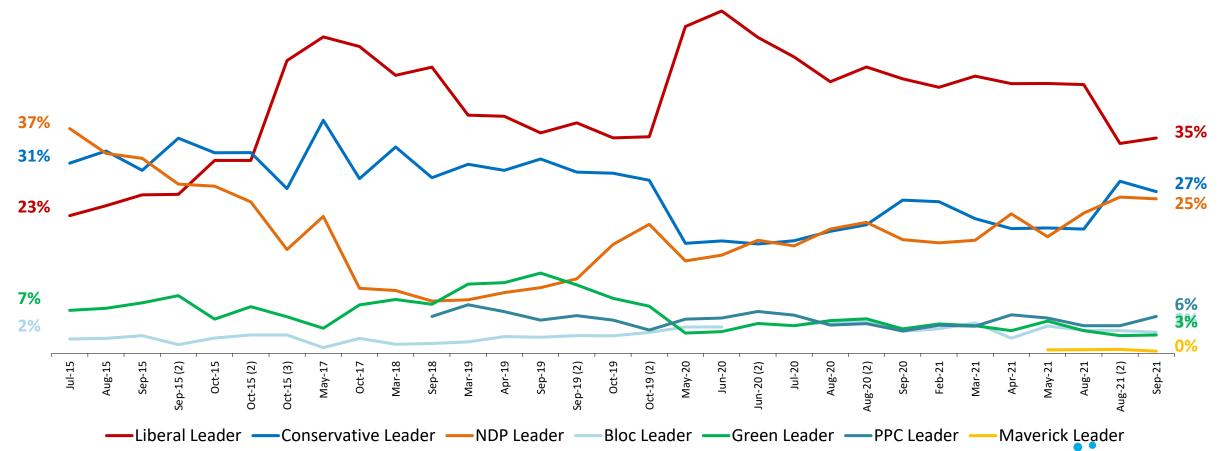
Note: Results for Yves-Francois Blanchet for Quebec respondents only



Best Prime Minister Tracking: Trudeau remains the top choice for Prime Minister, steady since last wave of tracking



Which of the following party leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada? [asked of all respondents; n=2400]



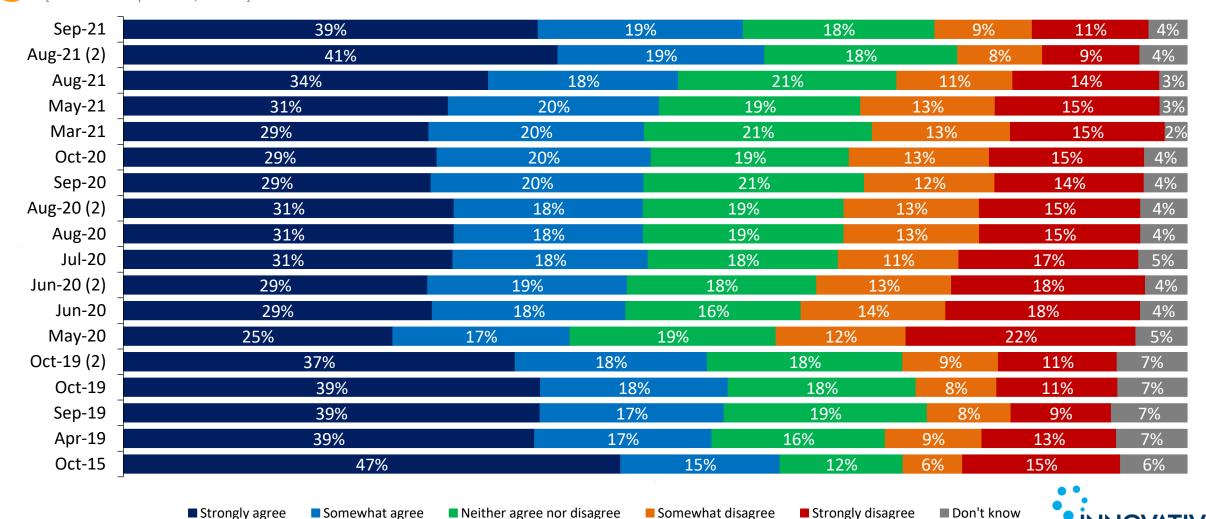


Time for Change

Time for Change Tracking: Agreement that it is time for change in Canada is at 58%, 3-points above 2019

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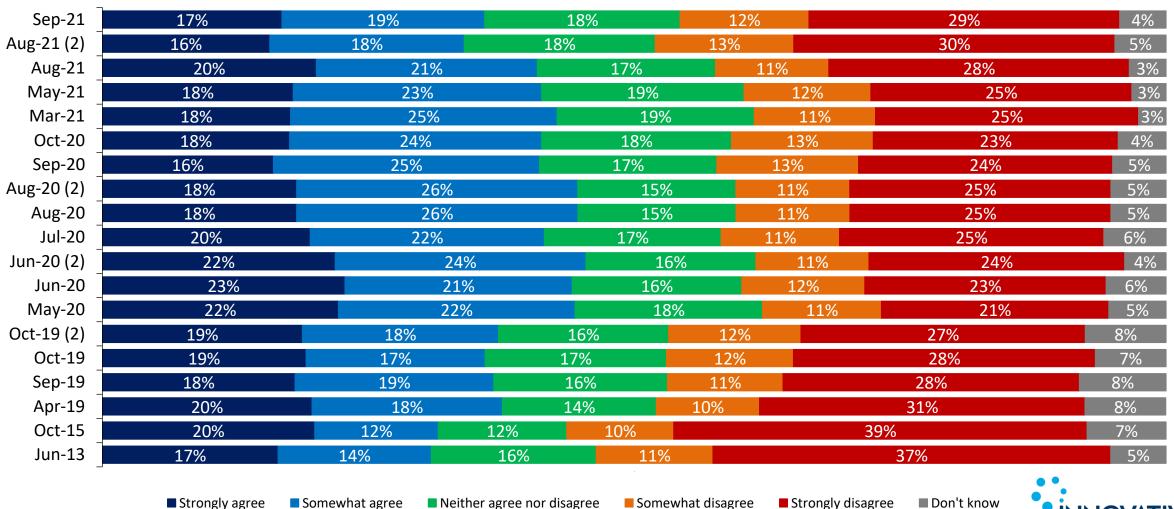
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - It is time for a change in government here in Canada [asked of all respondents; n=2400]



Time for Change Tracking: 36% of Canadians agree that the Liberals are the best party to form government, up 2-points



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - The Liberals may have their problems but they are still the best party to form government [asked of all respondents; n=2400]



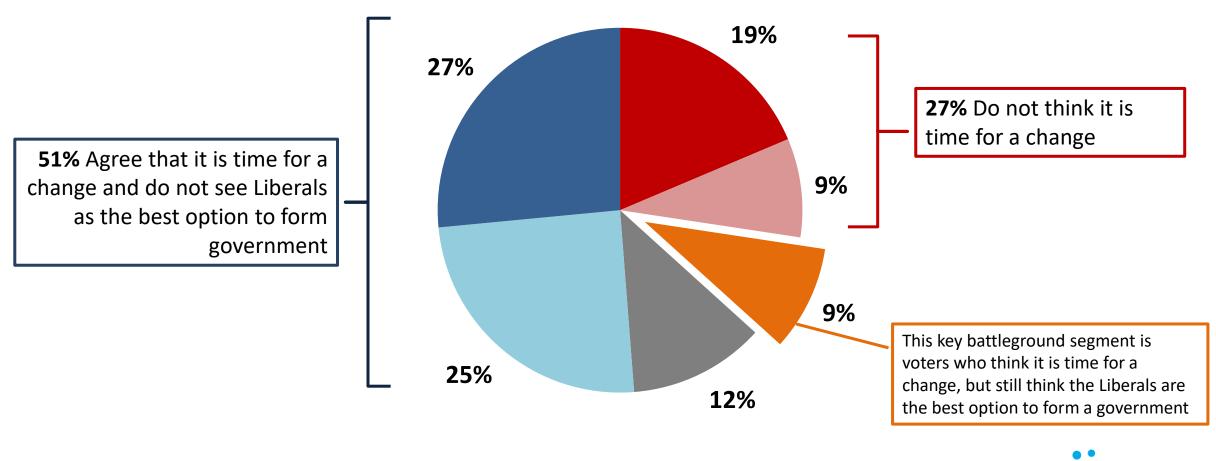


Time for Change Segmentation: A key 10% of voters think the Liberals 62 are the best option to form government but also say it's time for change



Time for Change segmentation: Agree with 'The Liberals may have their problems but they are still the best party to form government' BY Agree with 'It is time for a change in government here in Canada'.

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]





■ Core LPC ■ Soft LPC ■ Time for change ■ Uncertain ■ Soft anti-LPC ■ Hostile

Key Attitudes

Net Agreement

+65%

+51%

+35%

+31%

+22%

+1%

-7%

-32%

Attitudes: Majority of respondents (73%) say they are very worried at what might happen to this country if the wrong gov't is elected



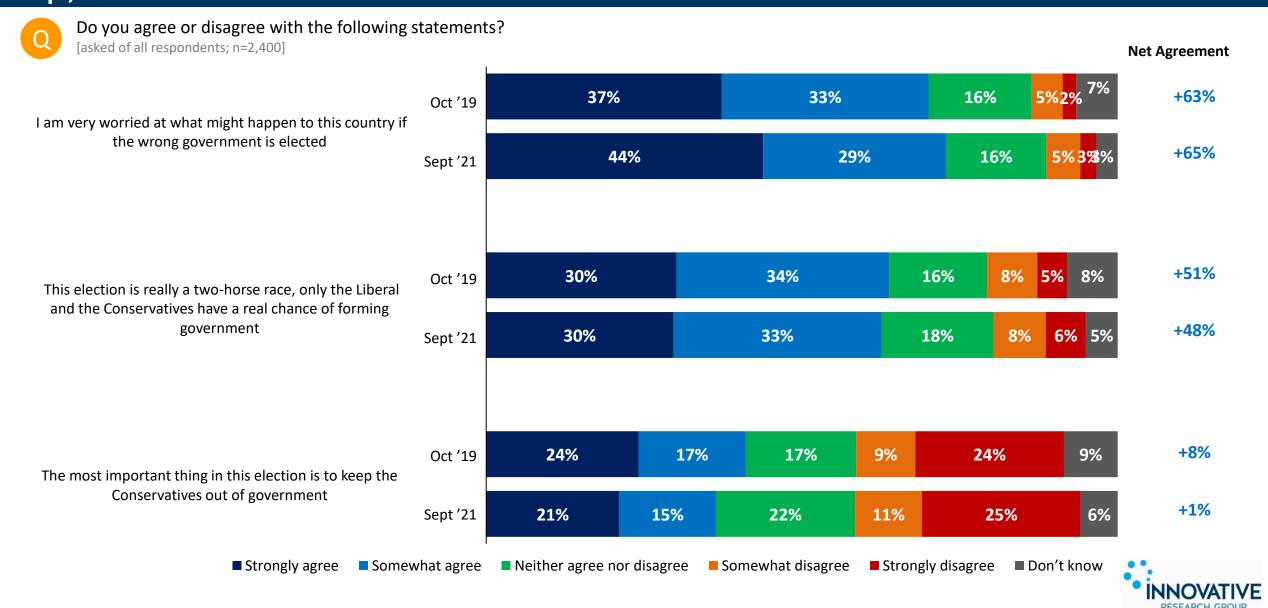
Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



I am very worried at what might happen to this country if the wrong government is 44% 29% 16% elected This election is really a two-horse race, only the Liberal and the Conservatives have 32% 34% 16% 9% 5% 5% a real chance of forming government. I've been disappointed by Justin Trudeau and the Liberal government. 35% 22% 18% 12% 10%2% Electing New Democrats sends a message government should address important 20% 27% 27% 10% 9% social issues. The Conservatives and Liberals may have their differences, but when it comes to the big issues facing this country neither one is committed to making the changes 17% 14% 6% 28% 24% 10% we need* The most important thing in this election is to keep the Conservatives out of 21% 15% 22% 11% 25% 6% government Under Erin O'Toole the Conservatives are becoming more like the Liberals and less 8% 18% 31% 16% 17% 11% like true conservatives.* I am angry at the way the government is trying to force Canadians to get 17% 8% 15% 13% 44% vaccinated, whether they want to or not. ■ Somewhat agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Strongly agree Strongly disagree ■ Don't know

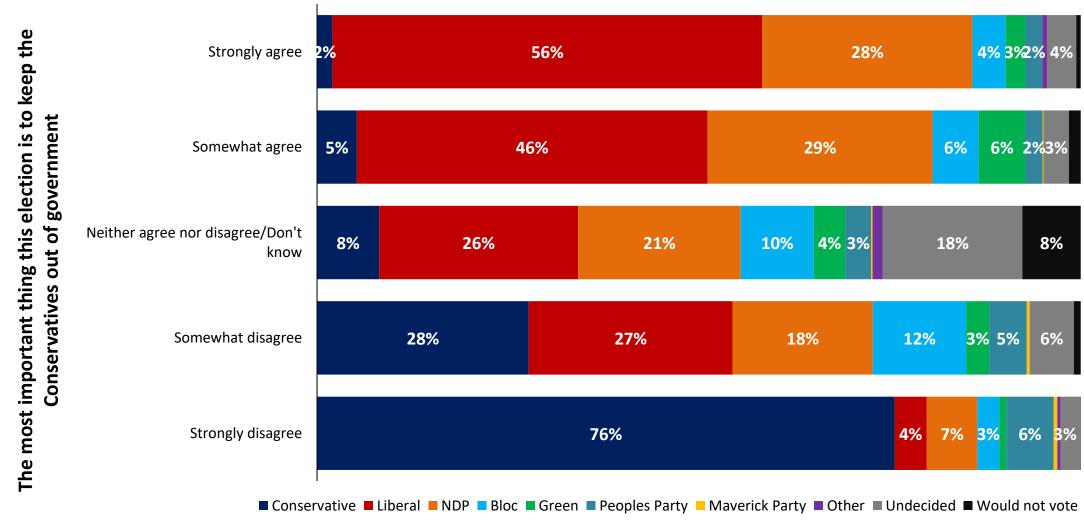


Attitude Tracking: Worry about what might happen to this country is up, while the other two attitudes are down since October 2019



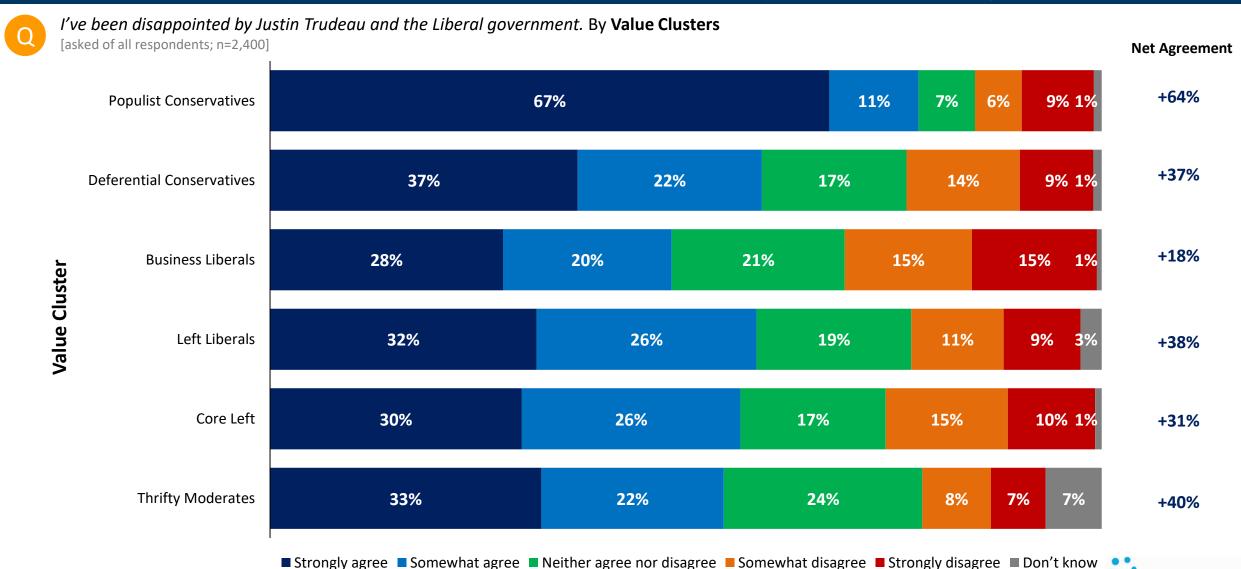
Keeping the Conservatives Out: A majority of those who strongly agree⁶ keeping the Conservatives out is most important would vote Liberal

Combined Vote BY *The most important thing this election is to keep the Conservatives out of government.* [asked of all respondents; n=2,400]



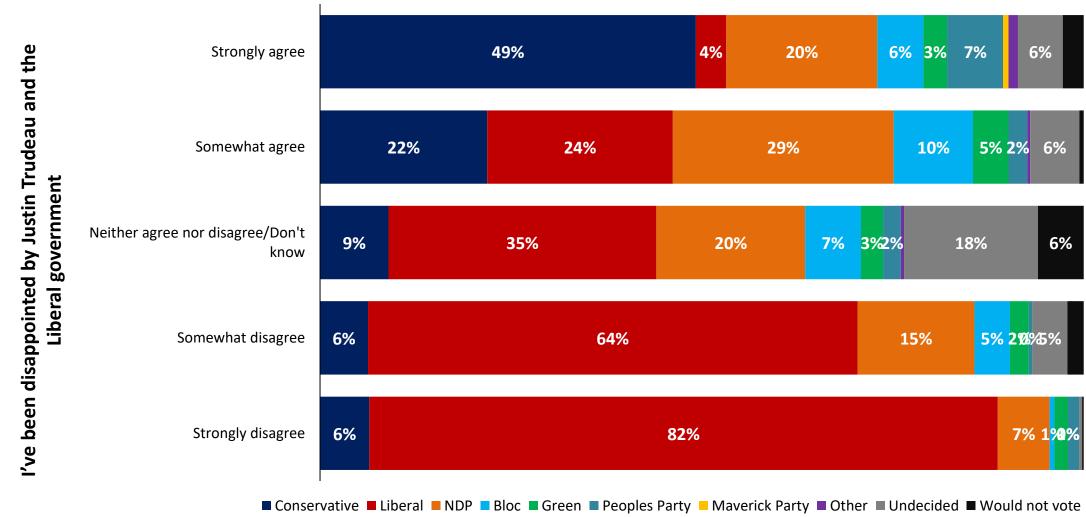


Disappointed by Liberals: A majority of every group, except Business Liberals, say they have been disappointed by the Liberal government



Disappointed by Liberals: Nearly a third of those who somewhat agree⁶⁸ would vote for the NDP (29%)

Combined Vote BY *I've been disappointed by Justin Trudeau and the Liberal government* [asked of all respondents; n=2,400]

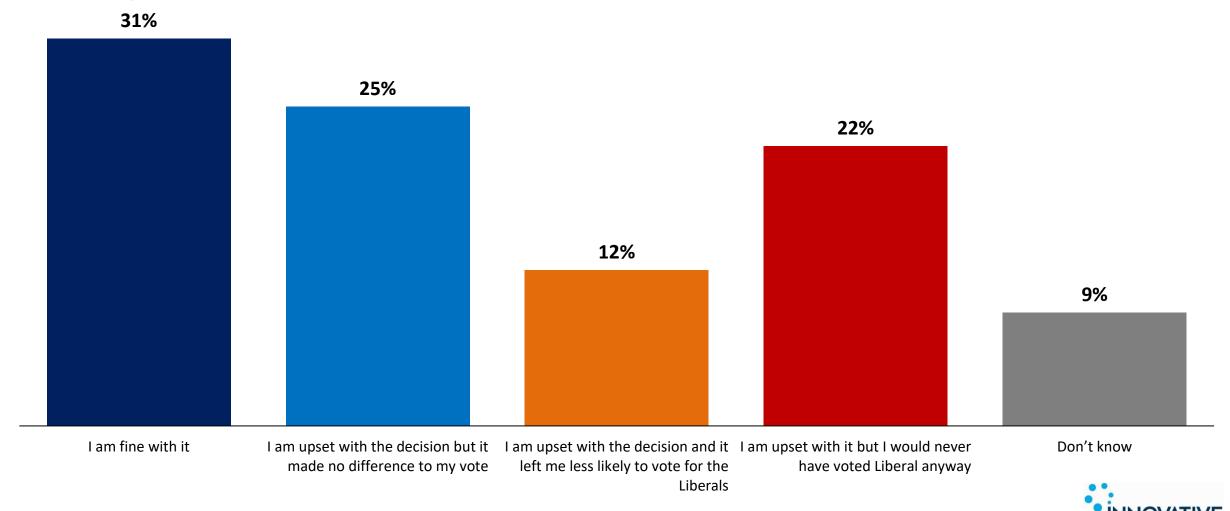




Election Call: 3-in-10 (31%) of respondents say that they are fine with the decision of Trudeau to call the election early



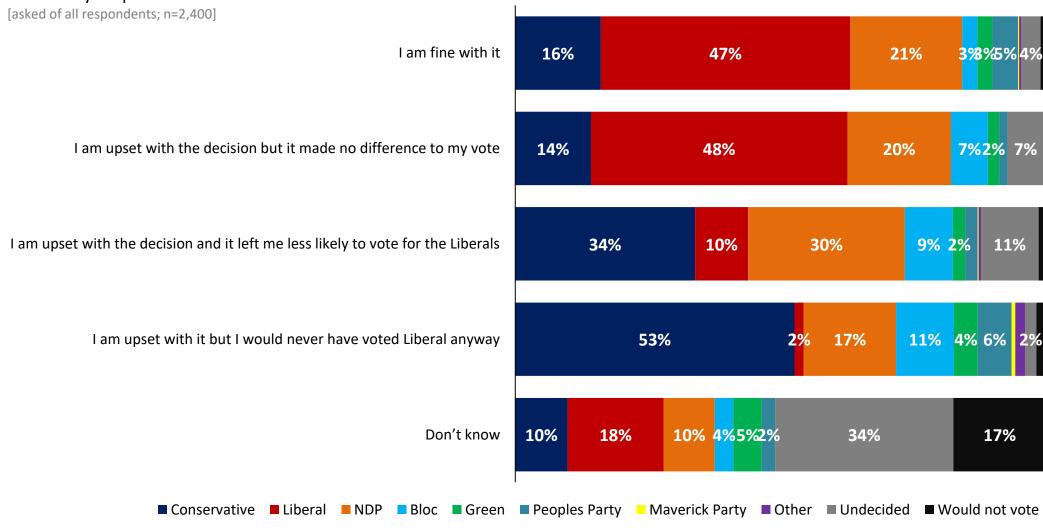
Thinking about the decision by Justin Trudeau and the Liberal Party to call the current election early, which of the following comes closest to your point of view?



Vote by Election Call: 30% of those who were left less likely to vote Liberal are now voting NDP

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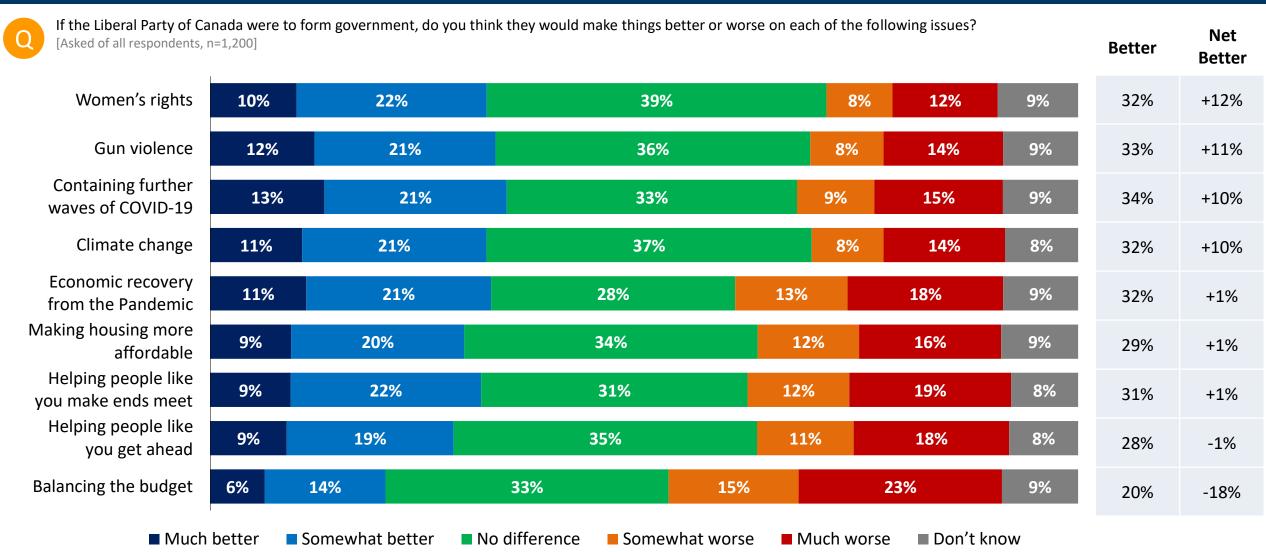
Combined Vote BY Thinking about the decision by Justin Trudeau and the Liberal Party to call the current election early, which of the following comes closest to your point of view?





Expectations of Liberal and Conservative Governments

An LPC Government: The Liberals stand out on a few policy areas, but balancing the budget is seen as the weakest





Note: Net Better is calculated by the sum of much better and somewhat better *minus* the sum of much worse and somewhat worse.

A CPC Government: 4-in-10 (39%) say a CPC government would make things better when it comes to balancing the budget

If the Conservative Party of Canada were to form government, do you think they would make things better or worse on each of the following issues? Net [Asked of all respondents, n=1,200] **Better Better** Balancing the budget 39% +17% 14% 26% 10% 29% 10% 13% Economic recovery 11% 23% 29% 12% 15% 10% 34% +7% from the Pandemic Making housing more 9% 18% 31% 15% 15% 11% 28% -2% affordable Helping people like 10% 17% 32% 14% 17% 10% 27% -4% you make ends meet Helping people like 9% 33% 10% 17% 13% 18% 26% -4% you get ahead Containing further 9% 14% 11% 34% 14% 18% -9% 23% waves of COVID-19 Women's rights 7% 14% 36% 15% 17% 12% 21% -10% Gun violence 9% 13% 32% 14% 20% 12% 22% -12% Climate change 7% 13% 34% 11% 14% 21% 20% -15%

Somewhat worse



■ Don't know

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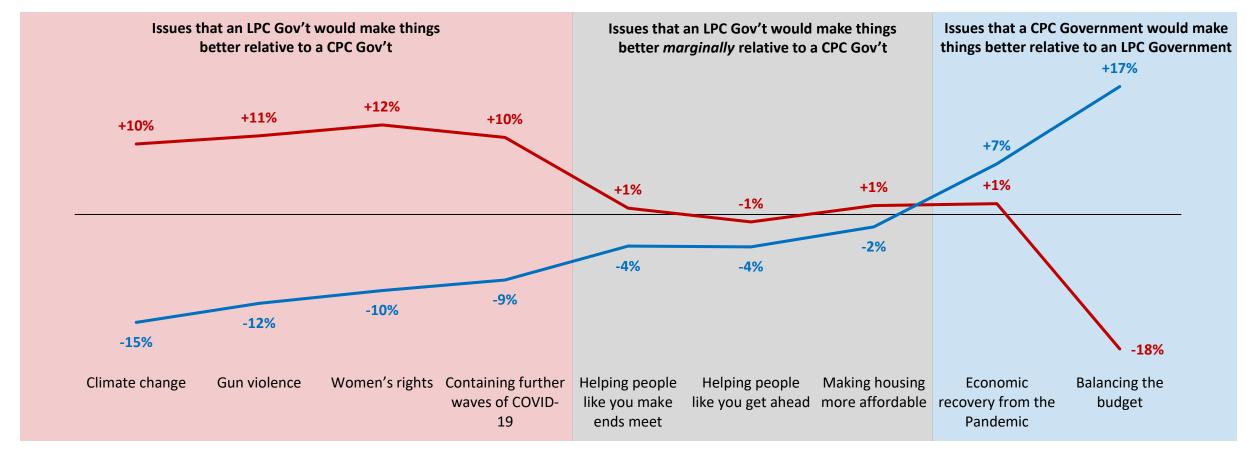
Much better

An LPC vs A CPC Gov't: A Liberal Gov't would make things better on climate change, gun violence, women's rights, and containing COVID



If the Liberal/Conservative Party of Canada were to form government, do you think they would make things better or worse on each of the following issues? [Asked of all respondents, n=1,200]

Net Better Score



—An LPC Government ——A CPC Government



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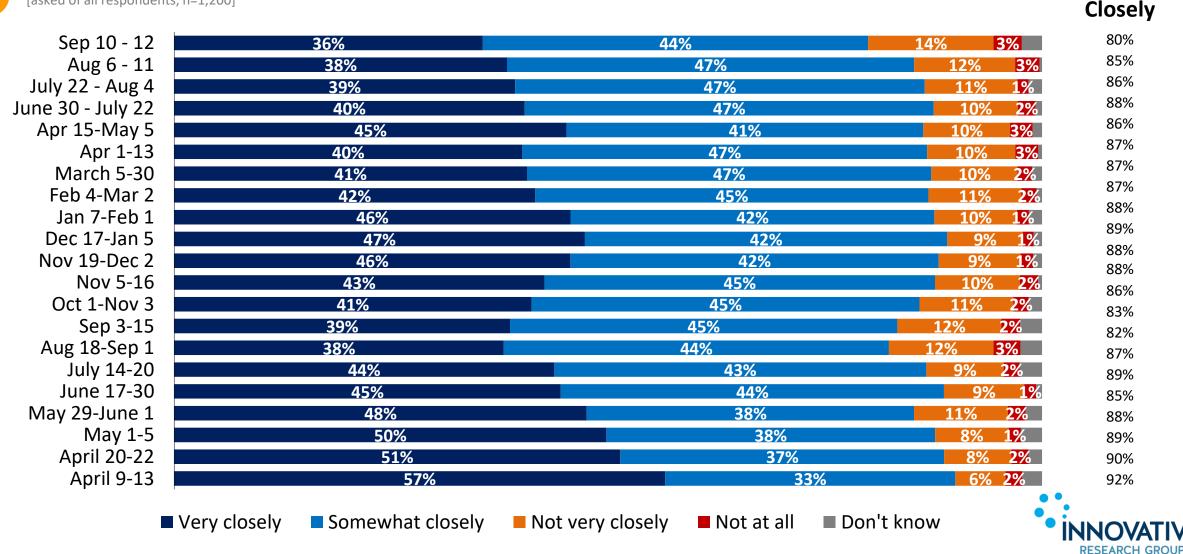
The COVID-19 Pandemic

Attention to COVID-19 News: Attention to the pandemic is continuing its downward trend, down five points to 80%

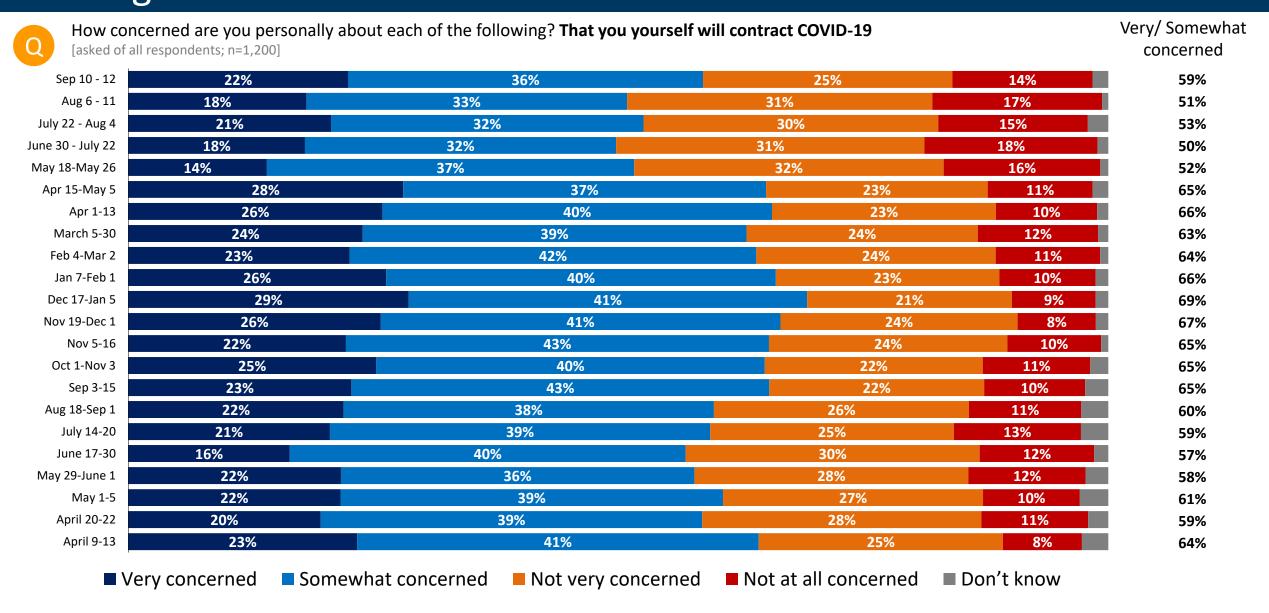
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[asked of all respondents; n=1,200]

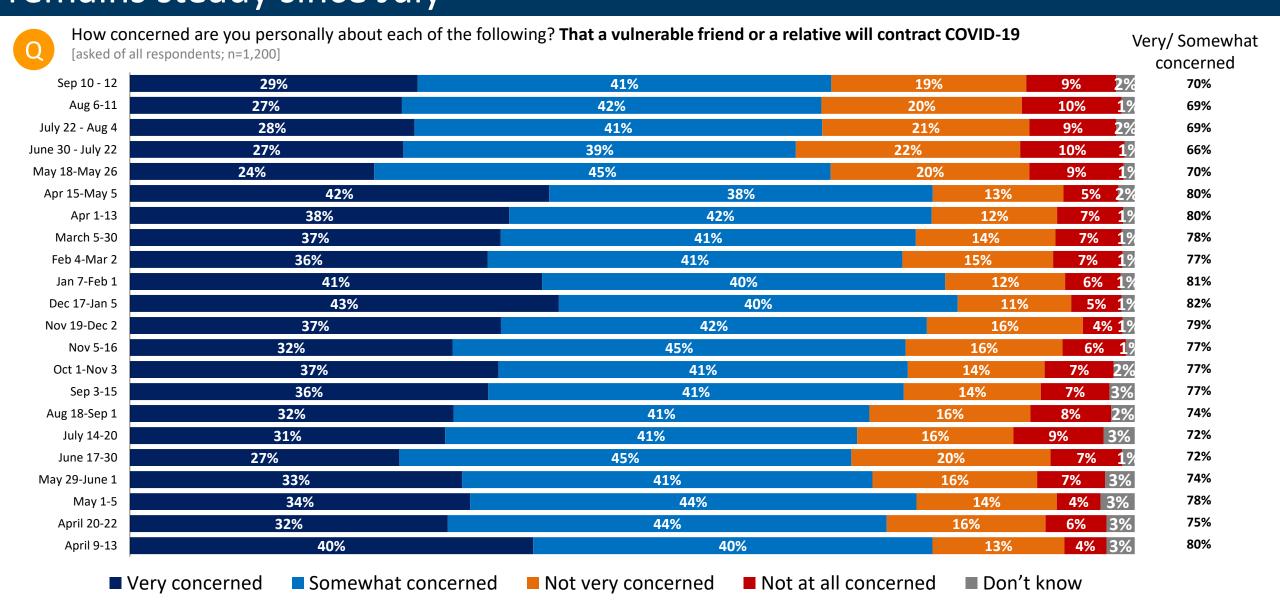
How closely have you been following news about COVID-19 which is also known as the novel coronavirus?



Self Concern: Close to 3-in-5 (59%) say they are concerned about catching COVID-19



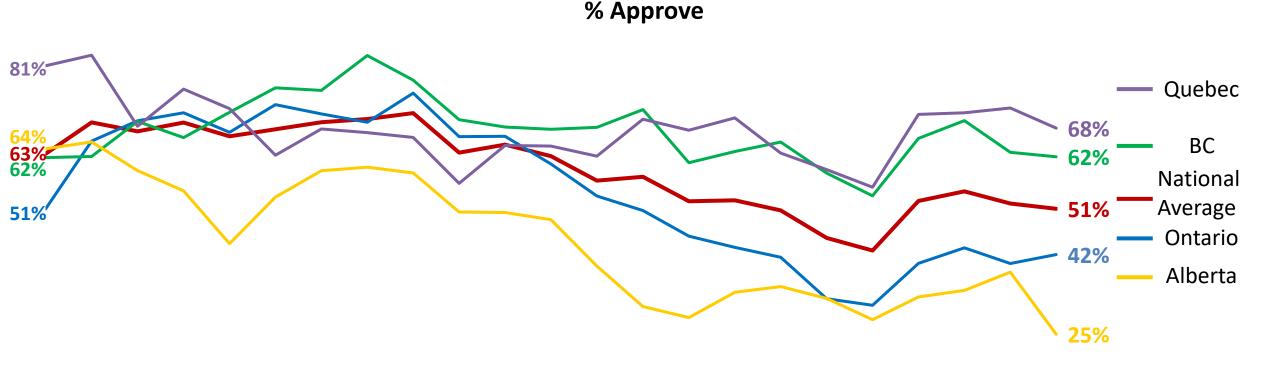
Familial Concern: Concern about a family member catching COVID-19 remains steady since July



COVID-19 Provincial Handling Tracking: Approval of the Alberta government's handling of the Pandemic is down since August

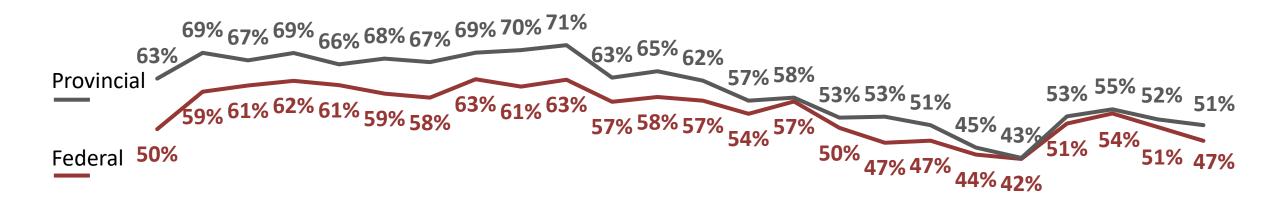


Do you approve or disapprove of the way the [PROV] Government has handled the outbreak of COVID-19? [asked of all respondents; n=1,200]



COVID-19 Handling Tracking: Approval of the federal government's handling of the pandemic is down since July

% who approve of government's handling of the COVID-19 outbreak: Federal vs. Provincial [asked of all respondents; n=1,200]



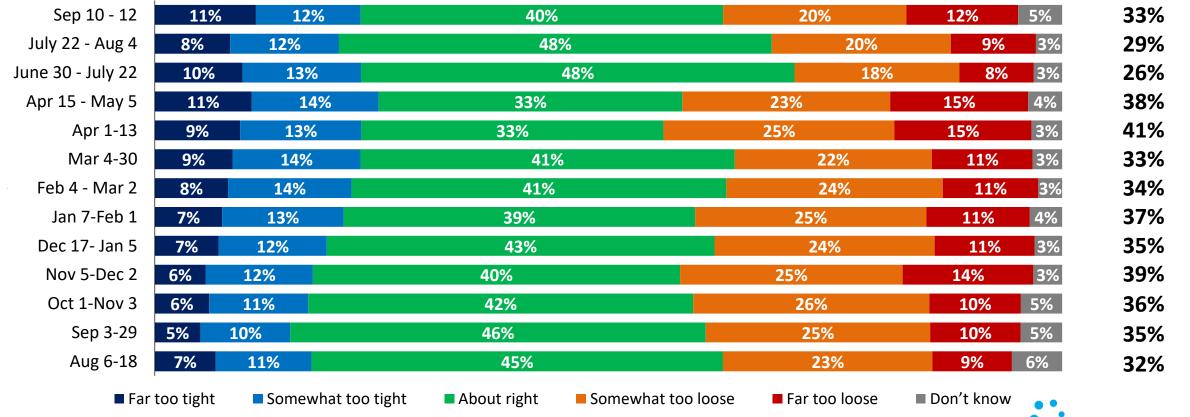
Provincial Restrictions: 2-in-5 (40%) think their provincial gov'ts have found the right balance, but "too loose" is up 4pts. since August 4th



Now, thinking about the restrictions the provincial government in [PROV] currently has in place to reduce social contacts and combat the spread of COVID-19, do you think the restrictions are too tight, too loose, or are they about right?

[asked of all respondents; n=1,200]

% too loose



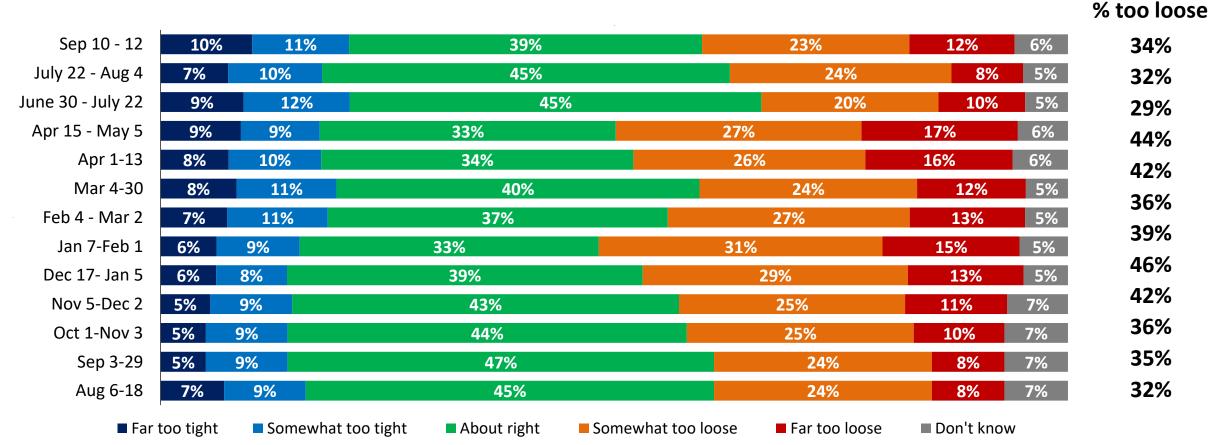


Federal Restrictions: Nearly 2-in-5 (39%) think federal restrictions are "about right"; 34% think "too loose"



Now, thinking about the restrictions the federal government currently has in place to reduce social contacts and combat the spread of COVID-19, do you think the restrictions are too tight, too loose, or are they about right?

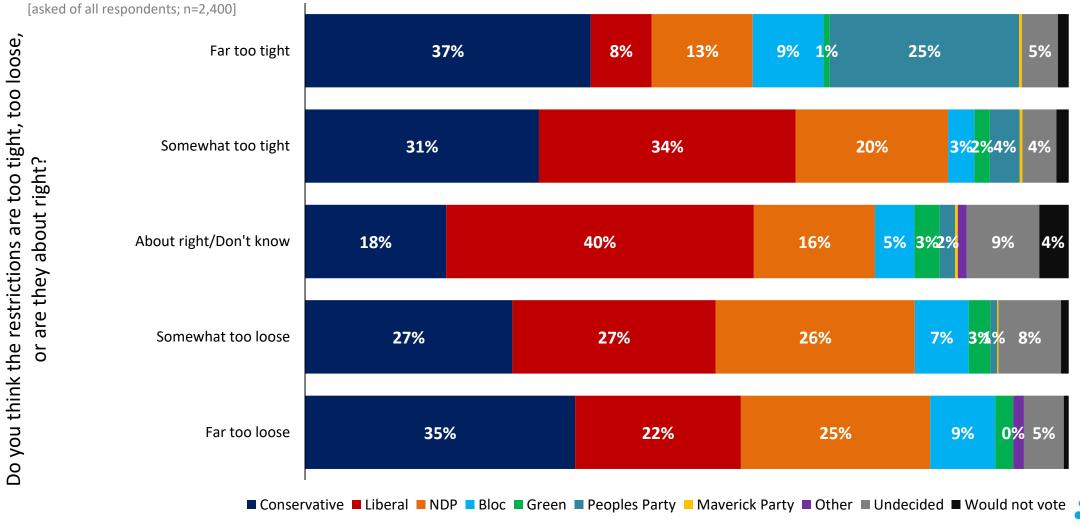
[asked of all respondents; n=1,200]





Federal Restrictions: 25% of those who say restrictions are far too tight⁸³ would vote for the People's Party of Canada

Combined Vote BY Now, thinking about the restrictions the federal government currently has in place to reduce social contacts and combat the spread of COVID-19, do you think the restrictions are too tight, too loose, or are they about right?





We group individuals into segments based on key political and economic values and attitudes

We use these segments throughout the remainder of the report to analyze vote and leadership results.

Key Segmentations

Throughout the campaign, INNOVATIVE will use three key segmentations to understand movement in vote intention and leader reputation. These segmentations have been developed, refined, and validated over the course of dozens of elections campaigns that we have tracked. Detailed definitions and results for each segment can be found in the appendix.

Political Value Clusters

We group Canadians into six "values" clusters based on 4 key political values:

- 1. Populist Conservatives (11%)
- 2. Deferential Conservatives (11%)
- 3. Business Liberals (24%)
- 4. Left Liberals (16%)
- 5. Core Left (19%)
- 6. Thrifty Moderates (18%)

Economic Gap

The economic gap segmentation divides Canadians by their outlook on their economic future, splitting them into four groups:

- 1. Canadian Dream Achievers (26%)
- 2. Canadian Dream Strugglers (31%)
- 3. Ambivalent (22%)
- 4. Alienated (21%)

Time For Change

This segmentation separates
Canadians by their views on the
incumbent government. Is it time for
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alternative than the current
government? This creates six groups:

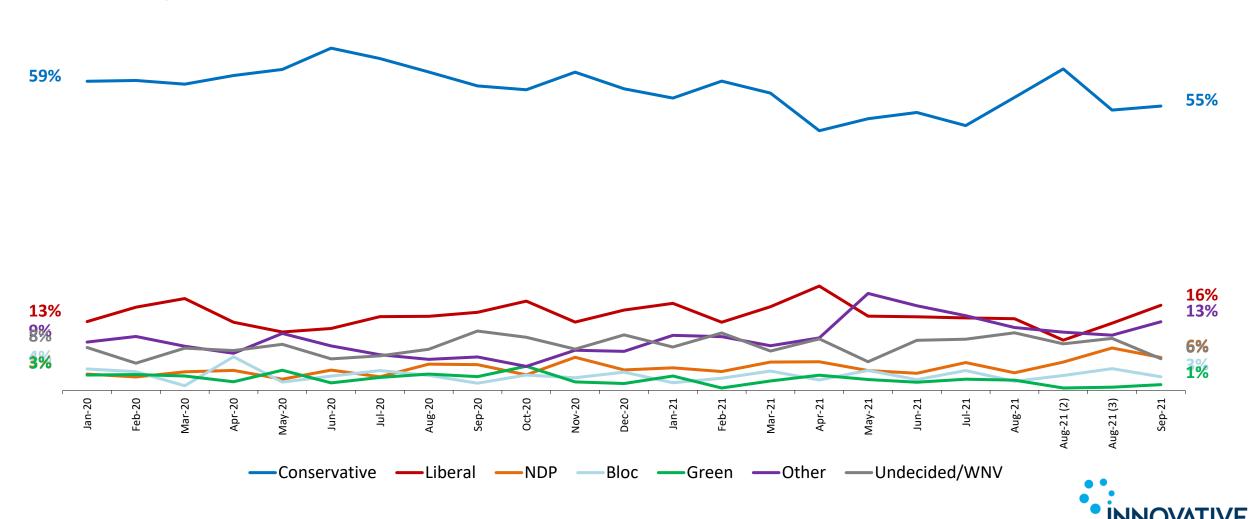
- 1. Core Liberals (15%)
- 2. Soft Liberals (9%)
- 3. Time for Change Liberals (10%)
- 4. Uncertain (13%)
- 5. Soft anti-Liberals (26%)
- 6. Hostile (27%)

Vote and Leadership by Value Cluster

Populist Conservative Vote: The Conservatives' vote is steady among Populist Conservative voters

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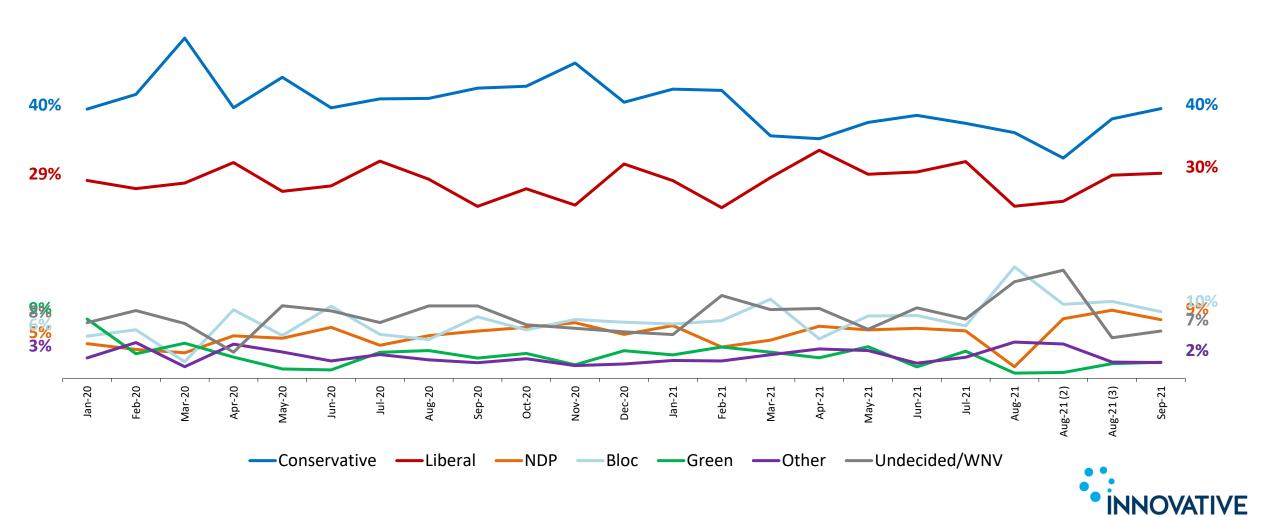
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=266]



Deferential Conservative Vote: Among Deferential Conservative voters, the Conservatives are ahead of the Liberals by 10-points



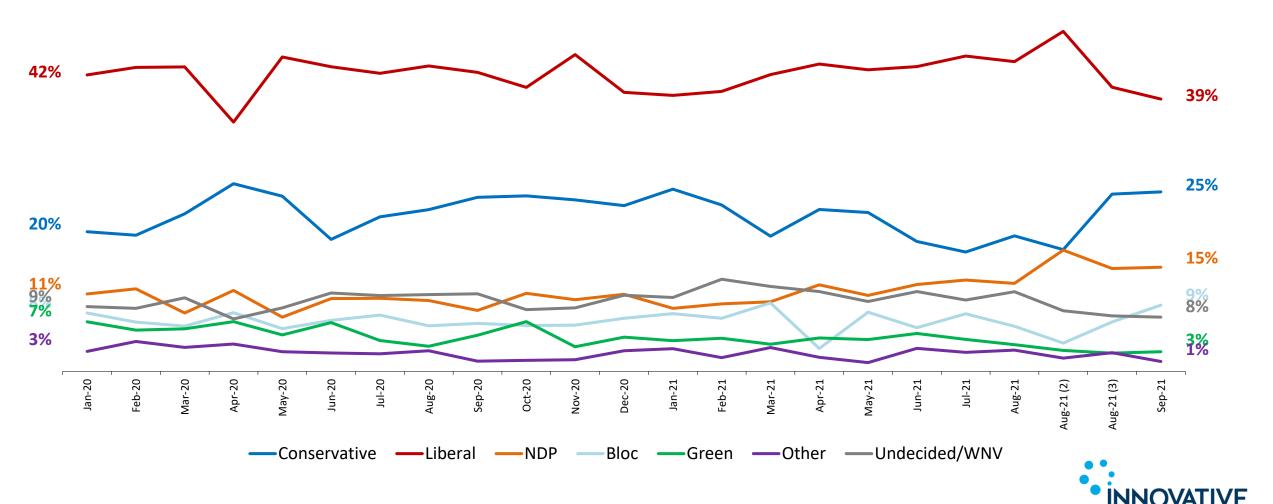
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=268]



Business Liberal Vote: Among Business Liberals, the gap between the Liberals and Conservatives has not changed since last tracking

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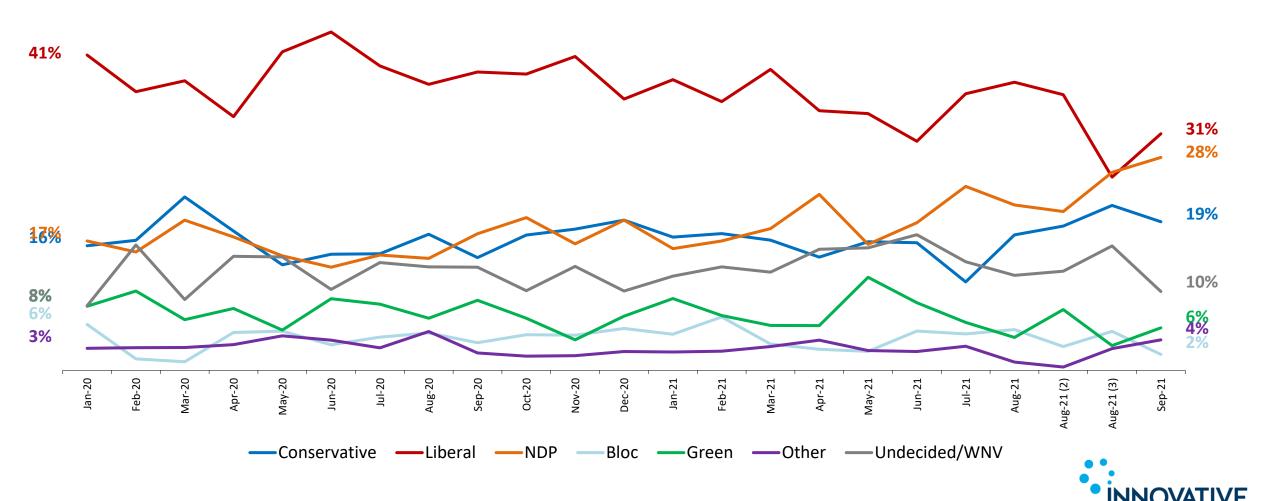
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=568]



Left Liberals Vote: Among Left Liberals, the Liberals (31%) now lead over the NDP (28%) by 3-points

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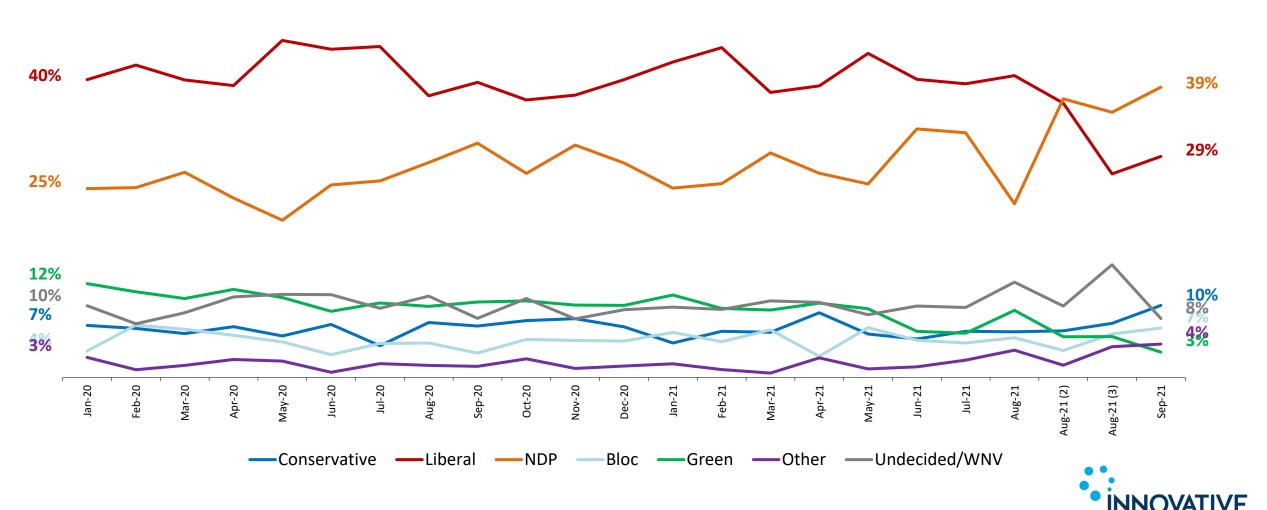
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Core Left Vote: Among the Core Left, The NDP (39%) remains ahead, now leading the Liberals (29%) by 10-points



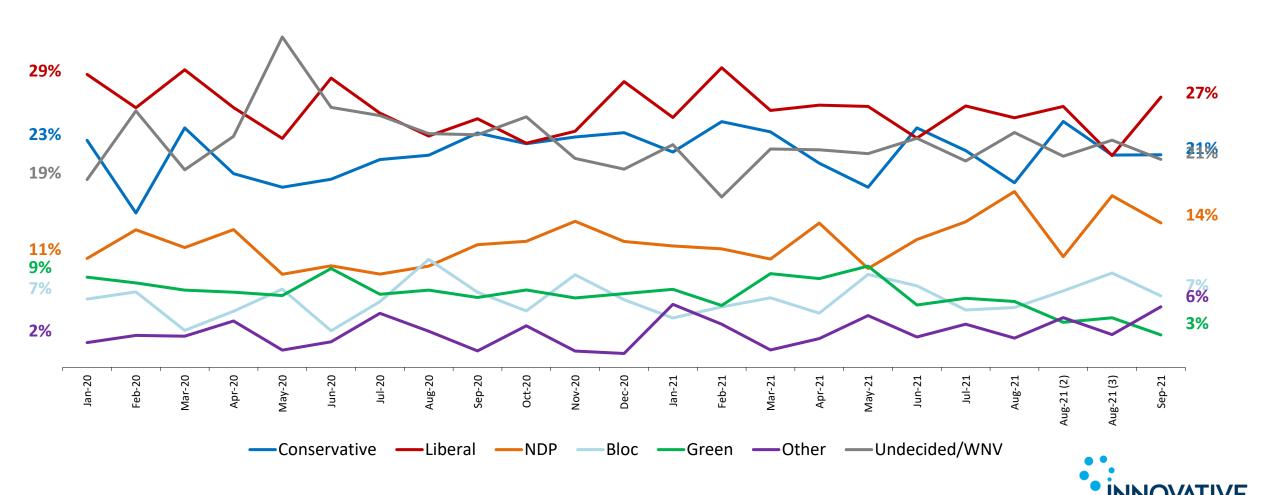
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=466]



Thrifty Moderates Vote: Liberals (27%) lead among the Thrifty Moderates, while nearly 1-in-5 are undecided (21%)



If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=439]



Best Prime Minister

Best Prime Minister by Value Cluster: Singh leads among the Core Left, while Trudeau leads among the Thrifty Moderates

Value Cluster

	Populist Conservatives	Deferential Conservatives	Business Liberals	Left Liberals	Core Left	Thrifty Moderates
	(N=266)	(N=268)	(N=568)	(N=393)	(N=466)	(N=439)
Justin Trudeau	15%	32%	37%	28%	26%	24%
Erin O'Toole	40%	40%	24%	13%	6%	17%
Jagmeet Singh	6%	8%	14%	28%	42%	15%
Yves-Francois Blanchet	1%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%
Annamie Paul	2%	1%	2%	5%	2%	2%
Maxime Bernier	20%	3%	1%	5%	2%	4%
Jay Hill	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Undecided	11%	10%	14%	16%	13%	24%
None	4%	2%	5%	3%	4%	11%

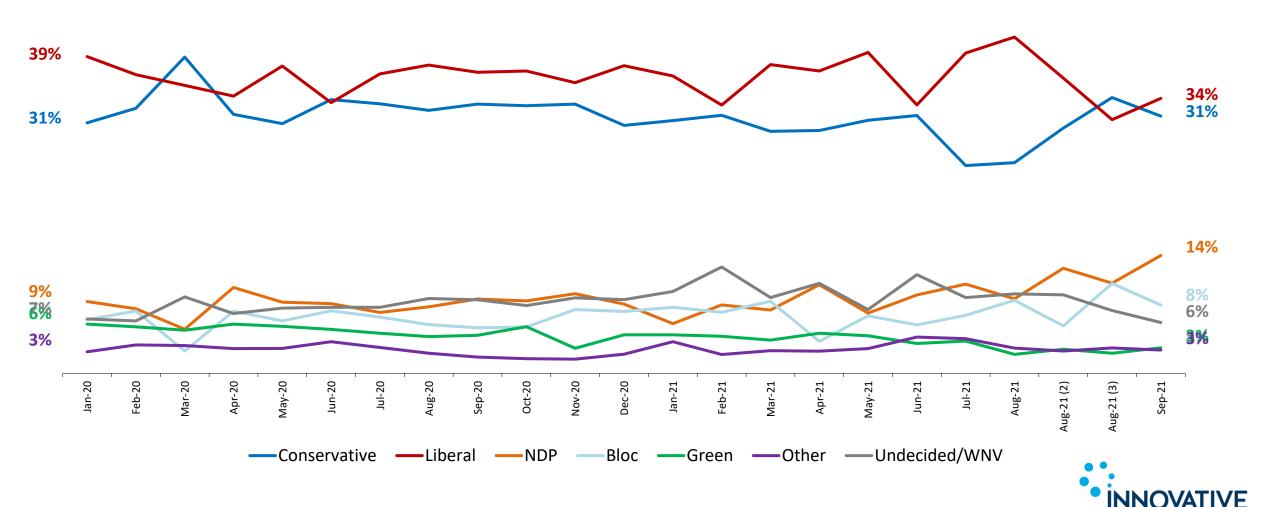
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Vote and Leadership by Economic Gap Segment

Dream Achiever Vote: The Achievers are leaning more towards the Liberals (34%), up by 3-pts in this wave, while the CPC is down by 3-pts

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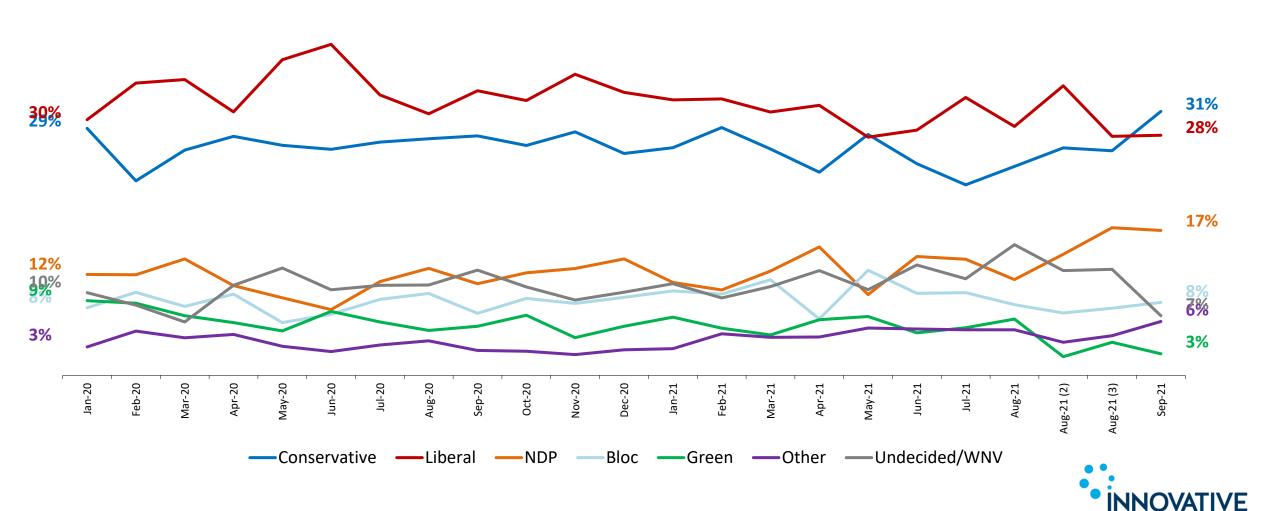
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=613]



Dream Struggler Vote: Strugglers' support for the Conservatives has surpassed the Liberals for the first time since May '21



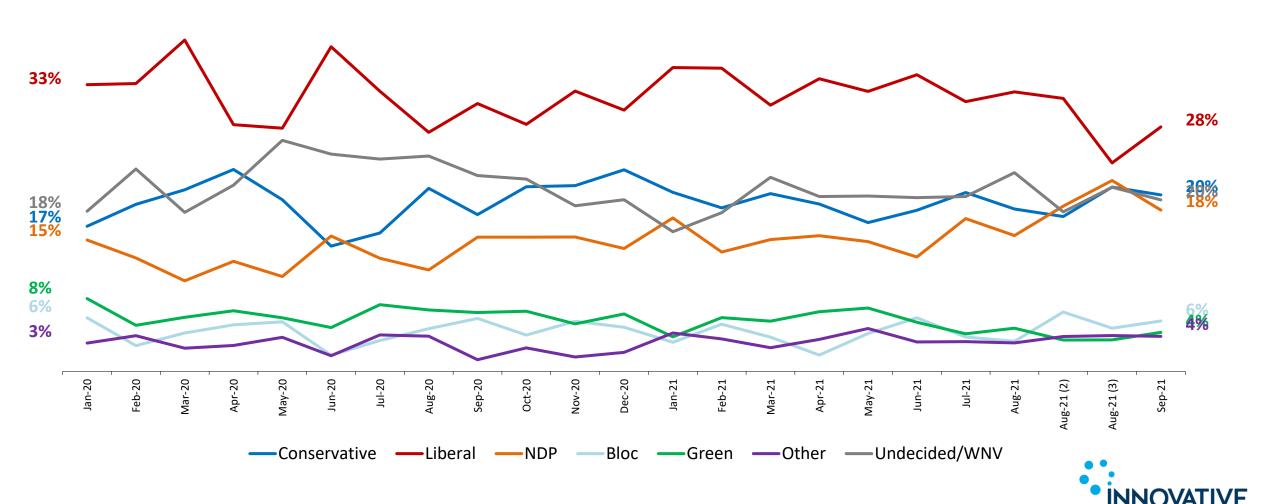
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=753]



Ambivalent Vote: Among the Ambivalent, a plurality is leaning towards the Liberals (28%), up by 4-pts since the last wave of tracking

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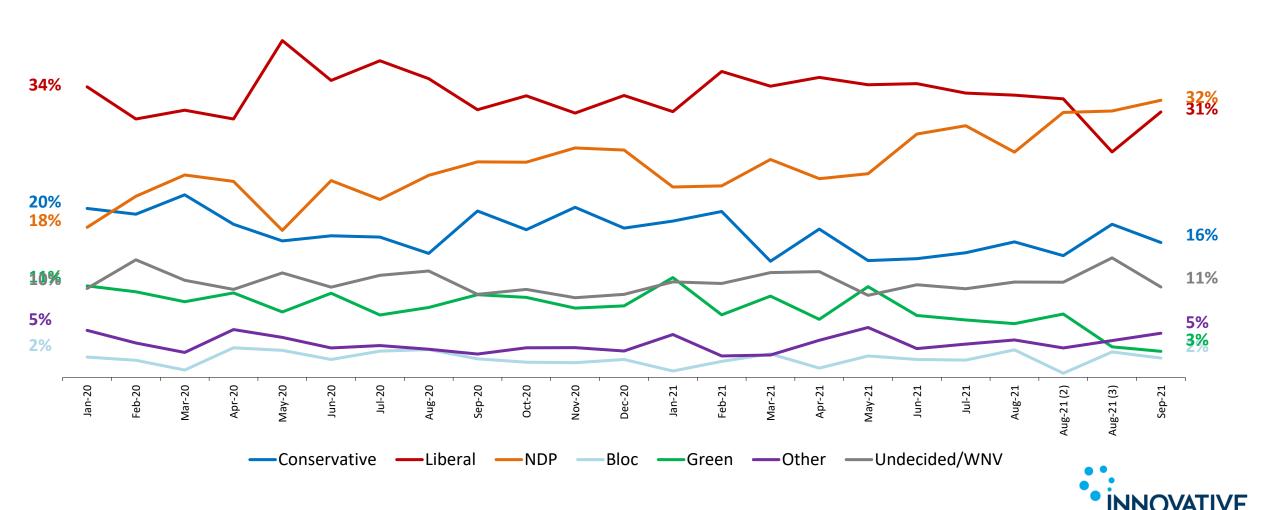
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=526]



Alienated Vote: Among the Alienated voters, the Liberals (31%) are now on par with the NDP, after gaining 5-points since the last tracking



If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=509]



Best Prime Minister by Economic Gap: Trudeau leads among all groups ⁹⁹ except the Alienated who are more likely to favour Singh over the others

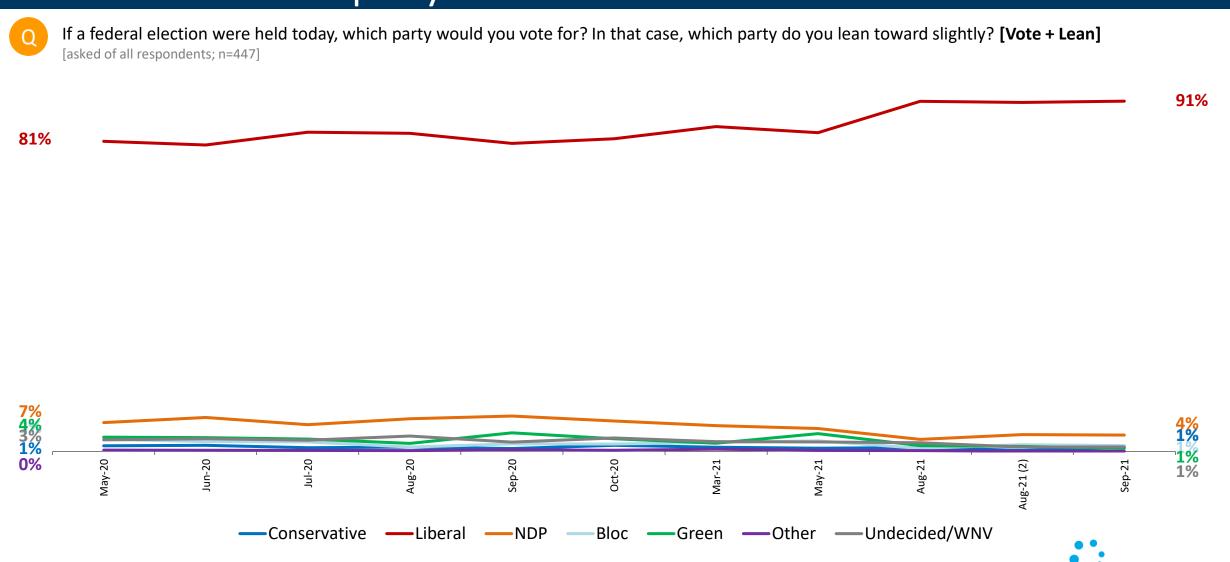
Economic Gap

	Achievers	Strugglers	Ambivalent	Alienated
	(N=613)	(N=753)	(N=526)	(N=509)
Justin Trudeau	32%	27%	25%	29%
Erin O'Toole	28%	26%	15%	11%
Jagmeet Singh	14%	18%	18%	33%
Yves-Francois Blanchet	3%	4%	3%	1%
Annamie Paul	2%	2%	3%	3%
Maxime Bernier	3%	7%	5%	3%
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None	4%	3%	9%	5%



Vote and Leadership by Time for Change

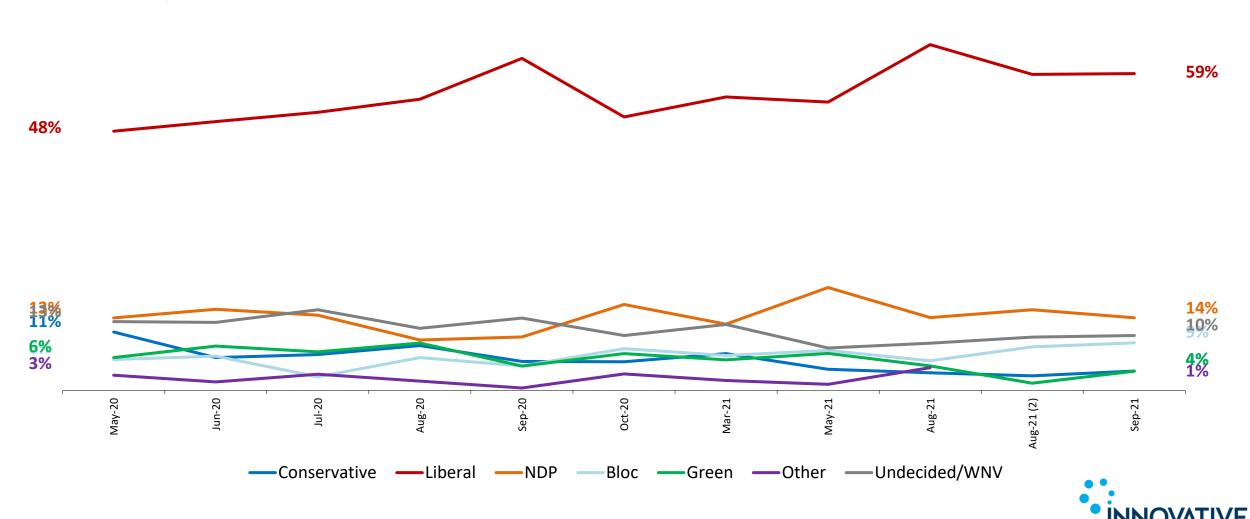
Core Liberal Vote: A Strong majority of Core Liberals (91%) vote/lean towards the Liberal party



Soft Liberal Vote: Soft Liberals are steady in their support towards the ¹⁰² Liberal party (59%)

If a federal election were held

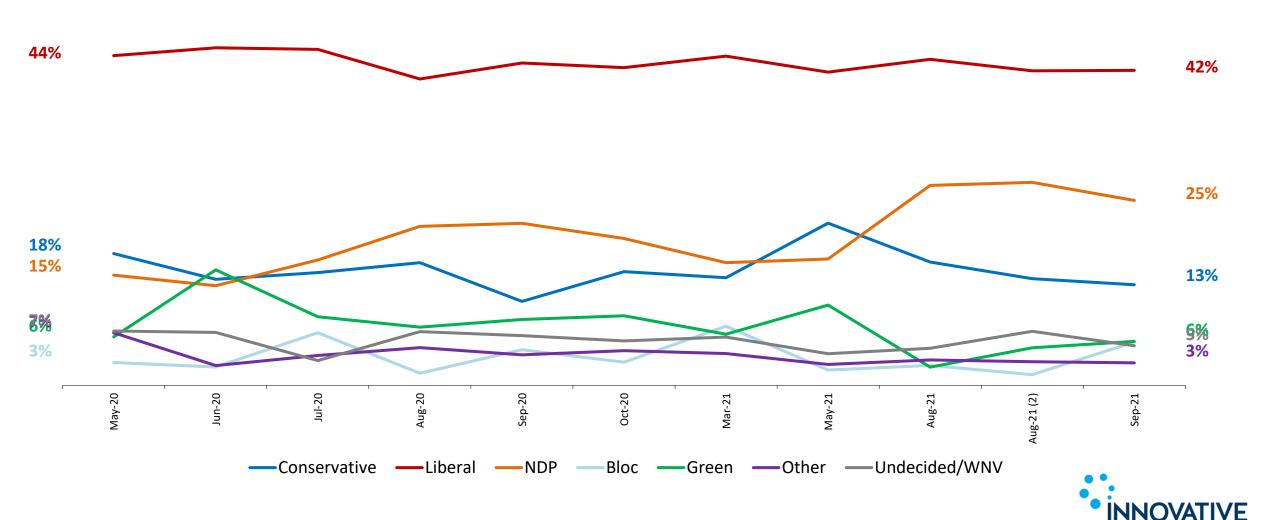
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=210]



Time for Change Liberal Vote: This segment is steady at leaning towards the Liberals (42%), while the NDP is second at 25%

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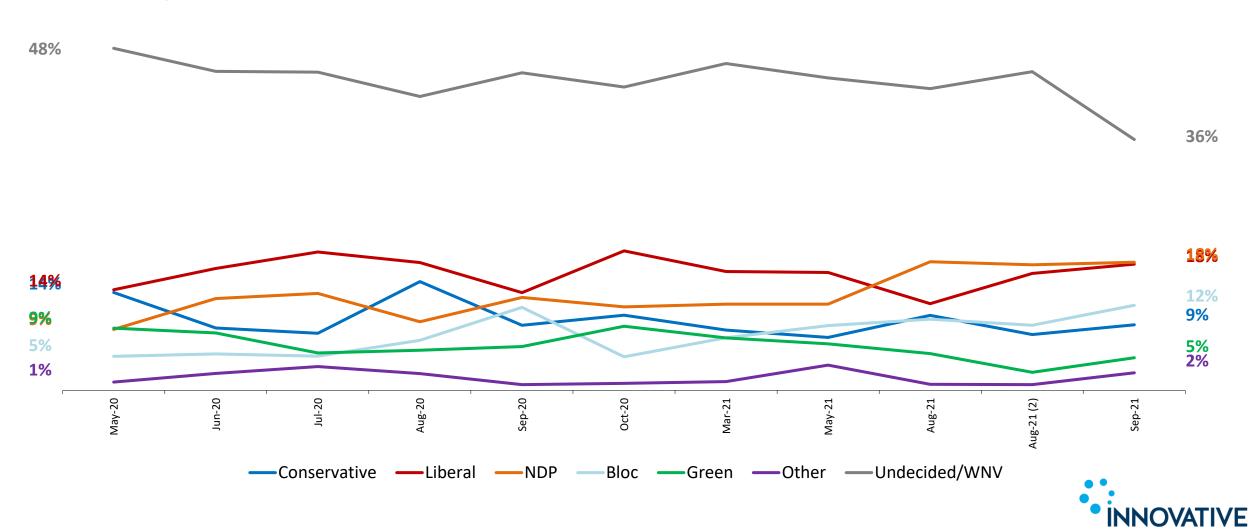
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=224]



Uncertain Vote: Among the uncertain, support for the NDP and Liberals are on par with one another at 18%

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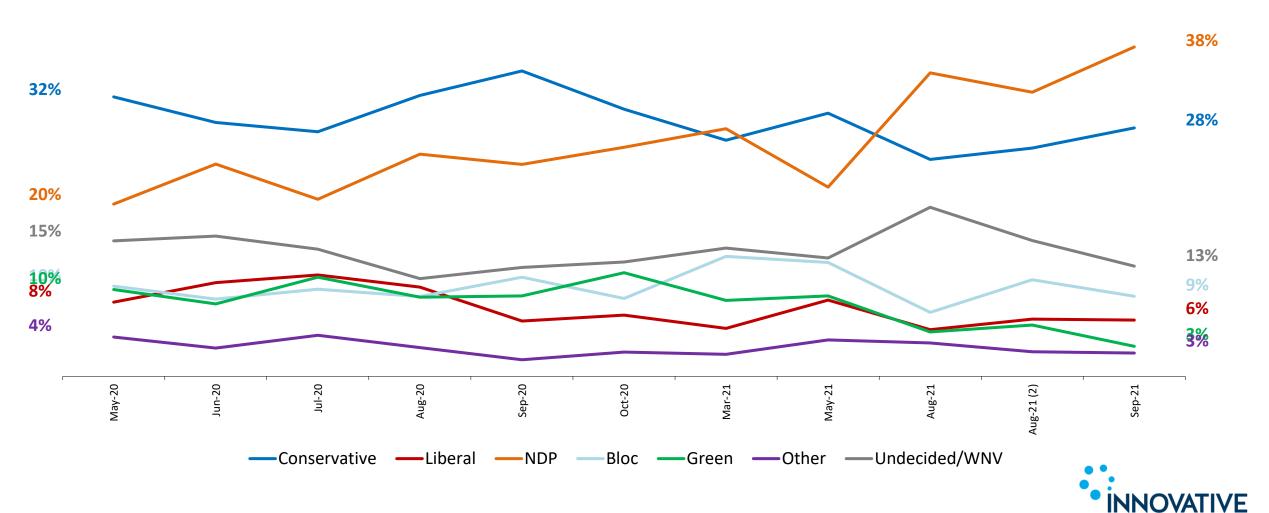
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=290]



Soft anti-Liberal Vote: The NDP continues to lead (38%) among the Soft anti-Liberal, while Conservatives are second with 28%

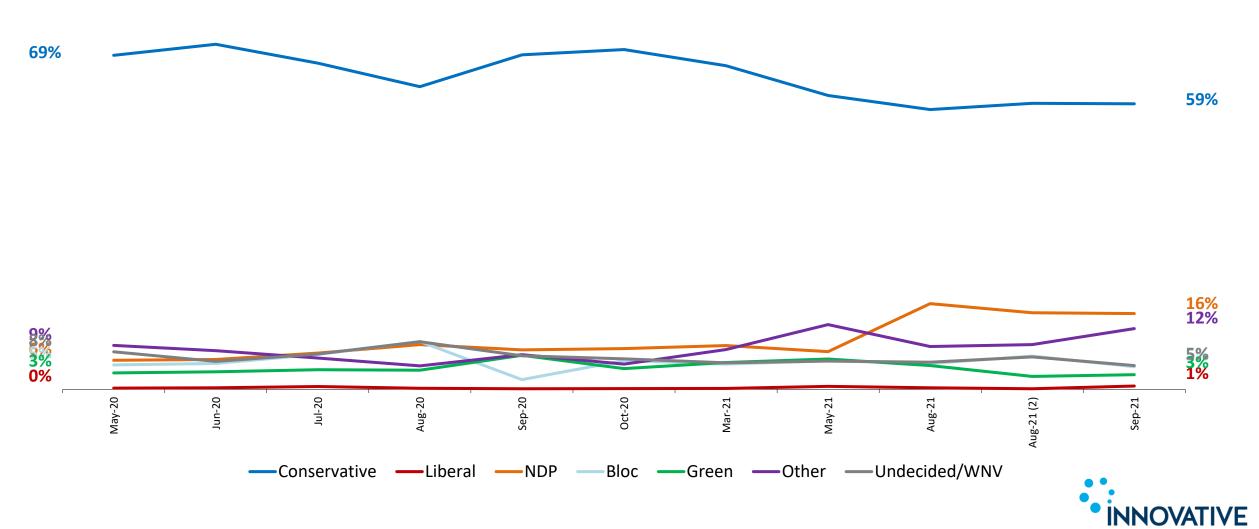


If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=593]



Hostile Vote: Numbers are steady for the Hostile segment with over half (59%) likely to vote/lean towards the Conservative

If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=636]



Best Prime Minister

Best Prime Minister by Time for Change: Trudeau is favoured higher among the Core LPC, Soft LPC & the Time for Change segment

Time for Change

	Core LPC	Soft LPC	Time for change	Uncertain	Soft anti-LPC	Hostile
	(N=447)	(N=210)	(N=224)	(N=290)	(N=593)	(N=636)
Justin Trudeau	88%	52%	42%	15%	6%	0%
Erin O'Toole	1%	2%	9%	6%	21%	53%
Jagmeet Singh	5%	21%	26%	16%	34%	17%
Yves-Francois Blanchet	1%	1%	2%	3%	5%	2%
Annamie Paul	1%	2%	4%	2%	3%	3%
Maxime Bernier	0%	1%	3%	2%	3%	13%
Jay Hill	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Undecided	3%	17%	8%	45%	23%	5%
None	1%	3%	6%	10%	6%	5%

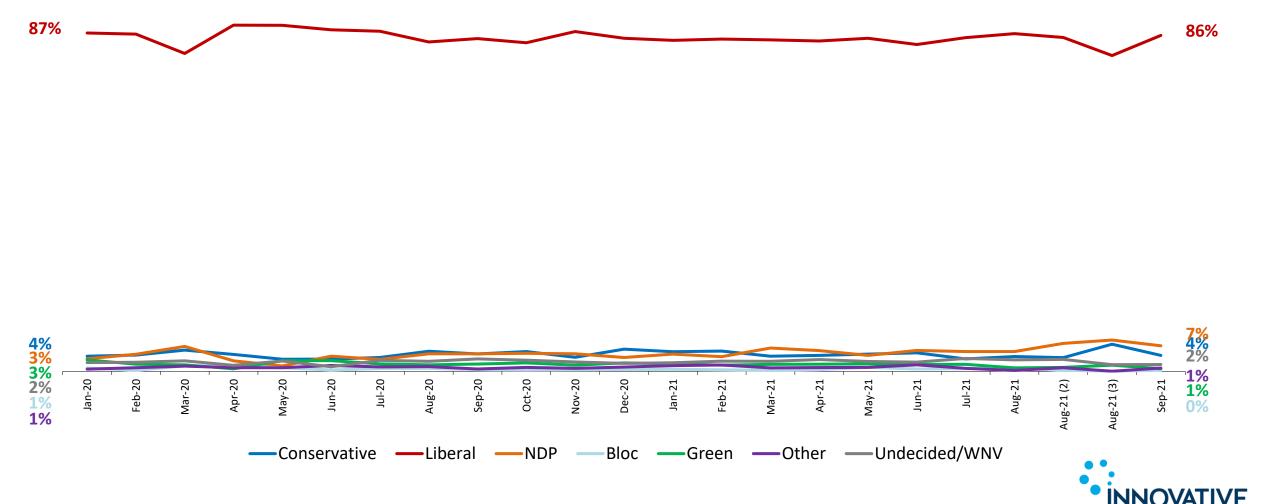
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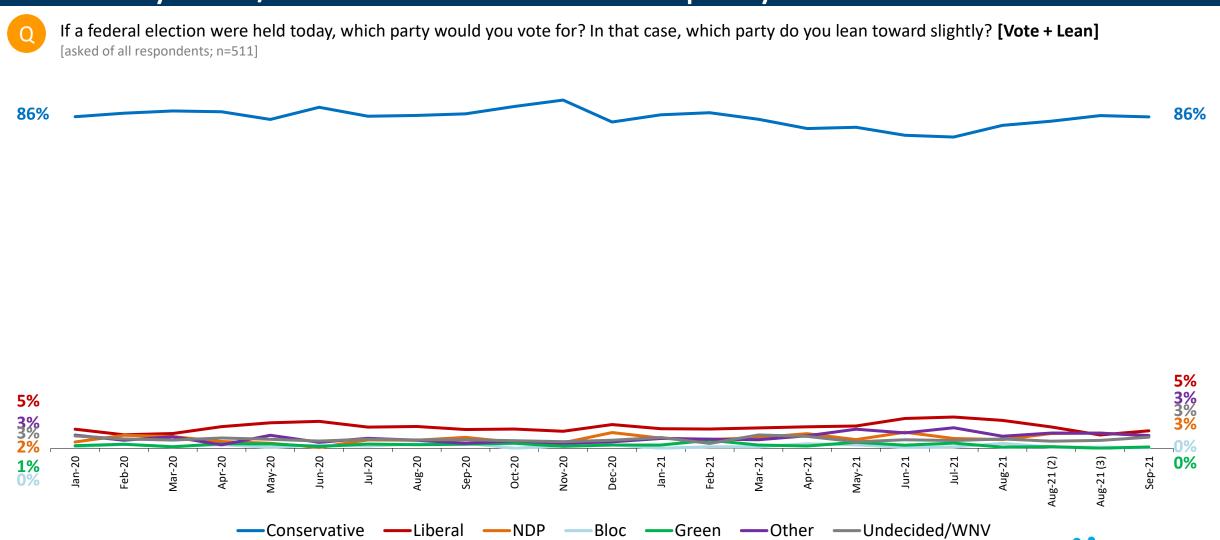
Vote and Leadership by Party ID

Liberal Partisan Vote: Among the Liberal partisans, 86% say they would vote/lean towards the Liberal party

If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=614]



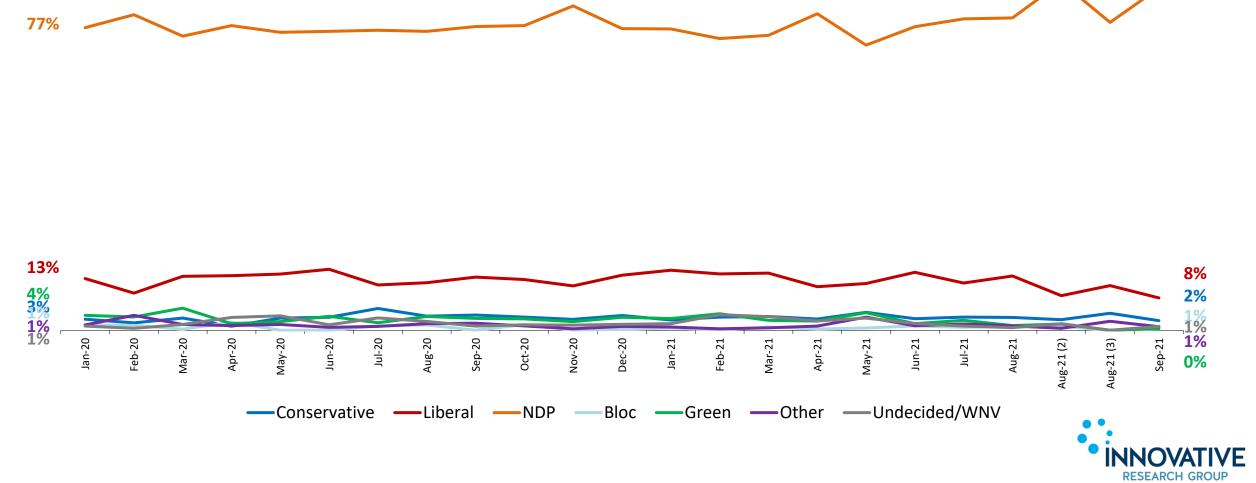
Conservative Partisan Vote: Over 4-in-5 (86%) Conservative partisans will likely vote/lean towards their own party



New Democratic Partisan Vote: 9-in-10 (87%) NDP partisans would vote/lean towards their respective party

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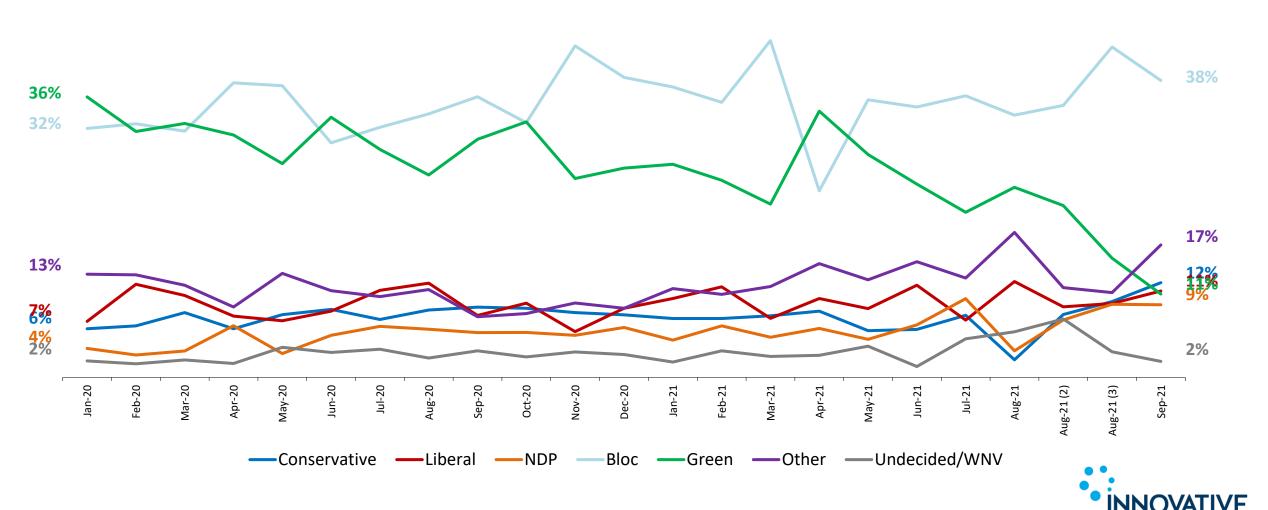
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=337]



Other Partisan Vote: Among the other partisan voters, 4-in-10 (38%) vote/lean towards the Bloc Quebecois



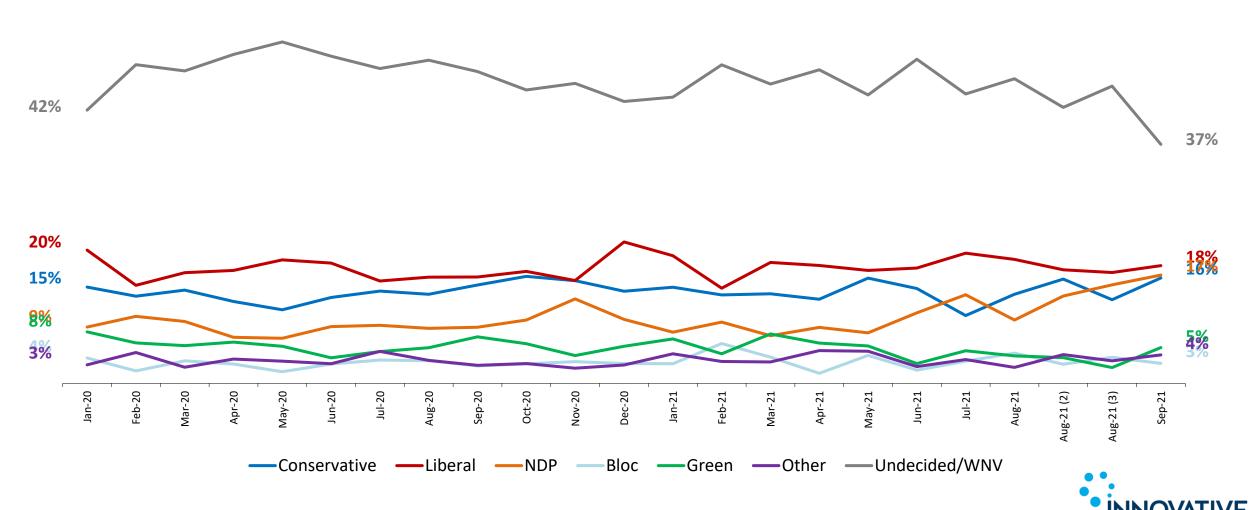
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=356]



Unaligned Partisan Vote: Those who are unaligned are almost evenly split between the three main parties with the Liberals slightly ahead

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If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=614]



Best Prime Minister by Party ID: Partisans are loyal towards the three ¹¹⁴ main party leaders respectively; highest among the NDP

Party ID

	Conservative	Liberal	NDP	Other	Unaligned
	(N=511)	(N=614)	(N=337)	(N=356)	(N=577)
Justin Trudeau	6%	78%	10%	13%	15%
Erin O'Toole	75%	3%	3%	13%	9%
Jagmeet Singh	4%	9%	81%	11%	16%
Yves-Francois Blanchet	0%	0%	0%	16%	1%
Annamie Paul	2%	1%	1%	8%	2%
Maxime Bernier	5%	1%	1%	17%	3%
Jay Hill	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Undecided	5%	7%	4%	15%	41%
None	3%	1%	1%	6%	12%

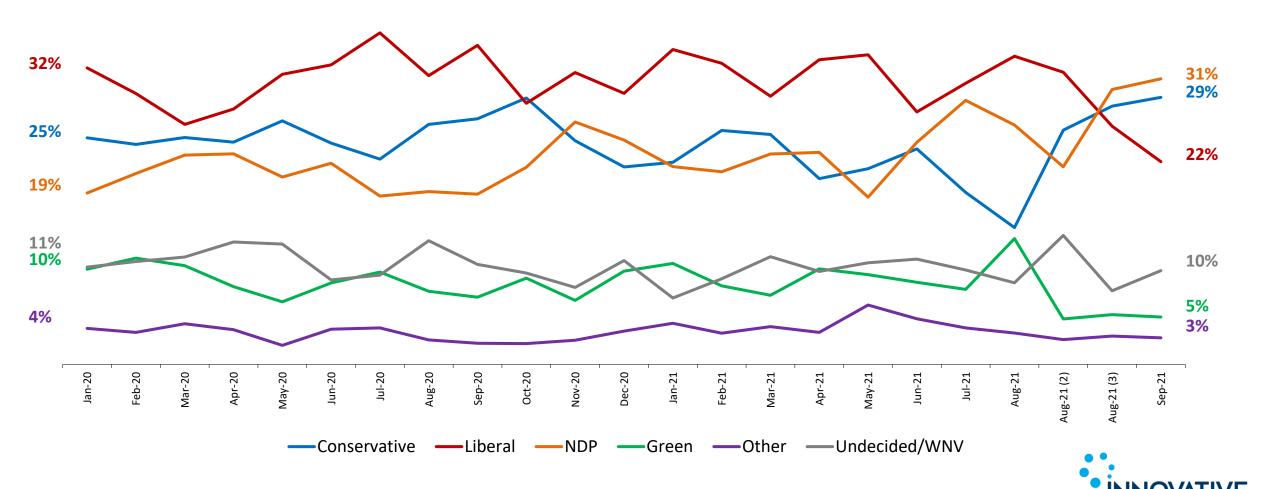


Vote by Region

BC Vote: BC is now in a two-way tie as the NDP continue to surge, followed by the Conservatives while the Liberals drop 4-points



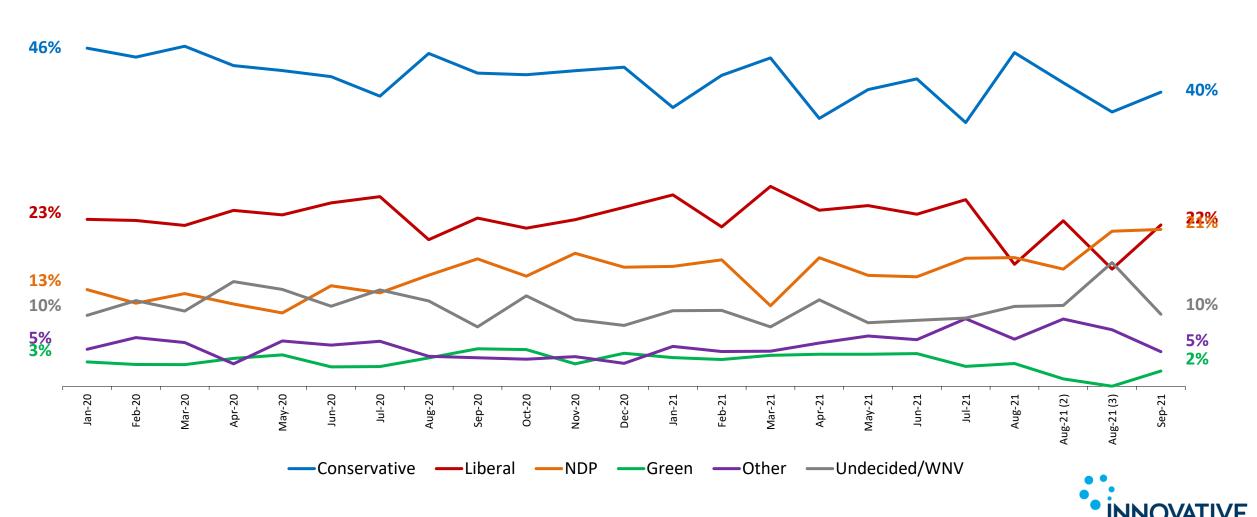
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=321]



Alberta Vote: In Alberta, there is a steady strong support for the CPC (40%), while there is a tight race for second among LPC and NDP

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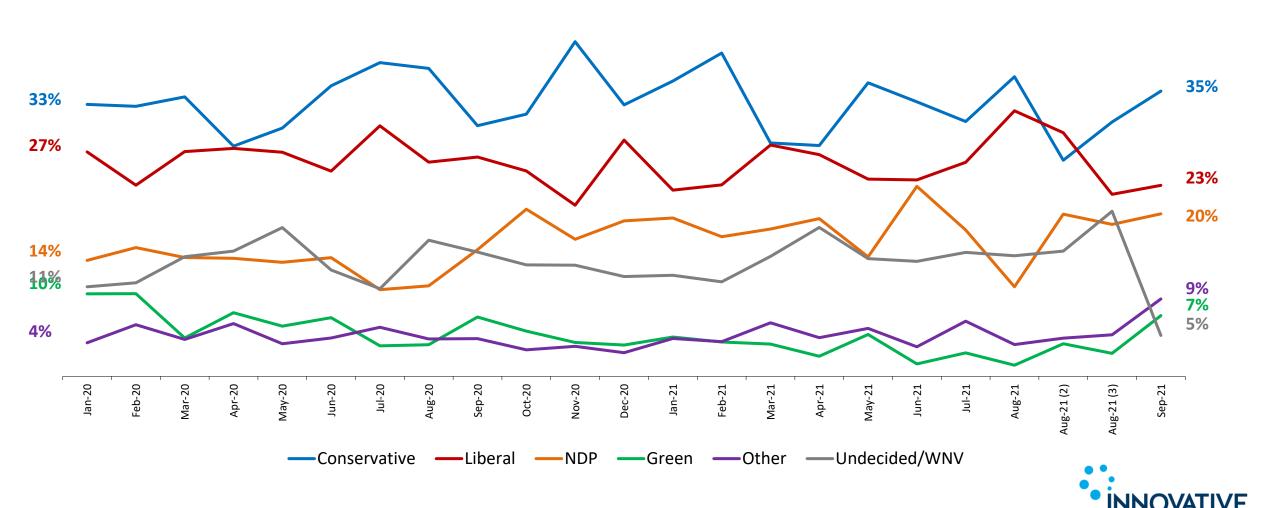
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=271]



Prairie Vote: Among Prairie voters, the Conservatives (35%) continue to extend their lead over the Liberals (23%)



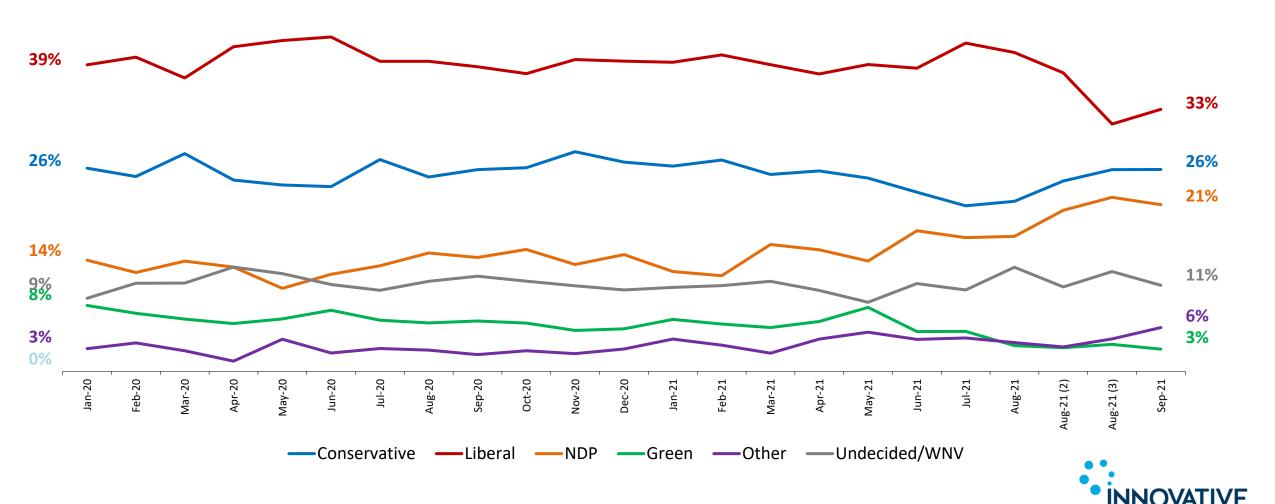
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=157]



Ontario Vote: Liberals (33%) continue to lead over the other parties in 119 Ontario, while the Conservatives (26%) are in second

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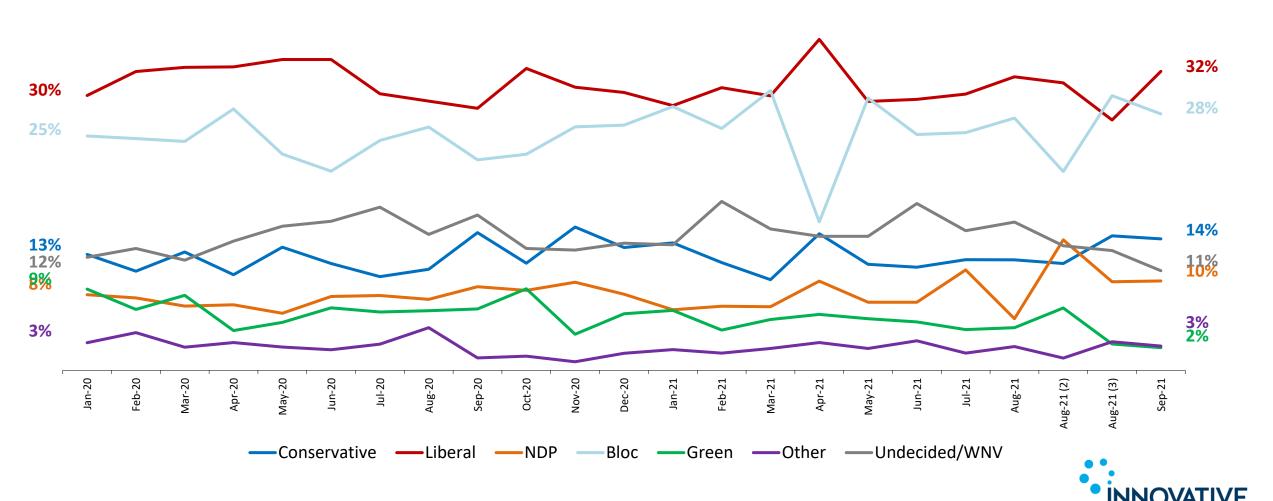
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=924]



Quebec Vote: A plurality of the Québécois (32%) support the Liberals, followed by the Bloc (28%) and the CPC (15%)

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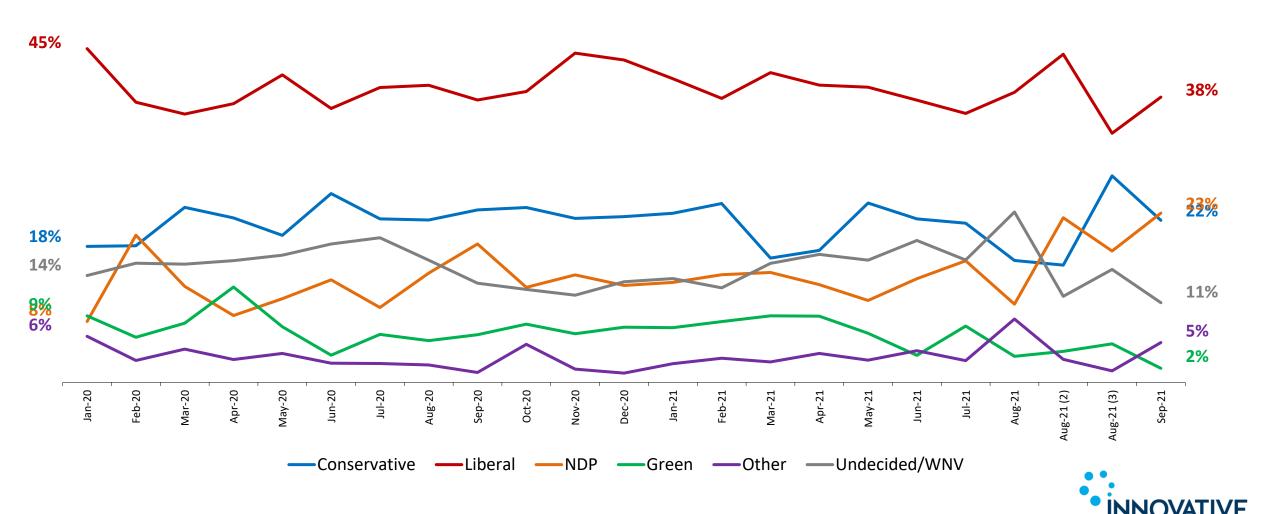
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=563]



Atlantic Vote: A plurality (38%) still favour the Liberals over the other parties, the gap between the LPC & CPC extends to a 16-point difference



If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=164]

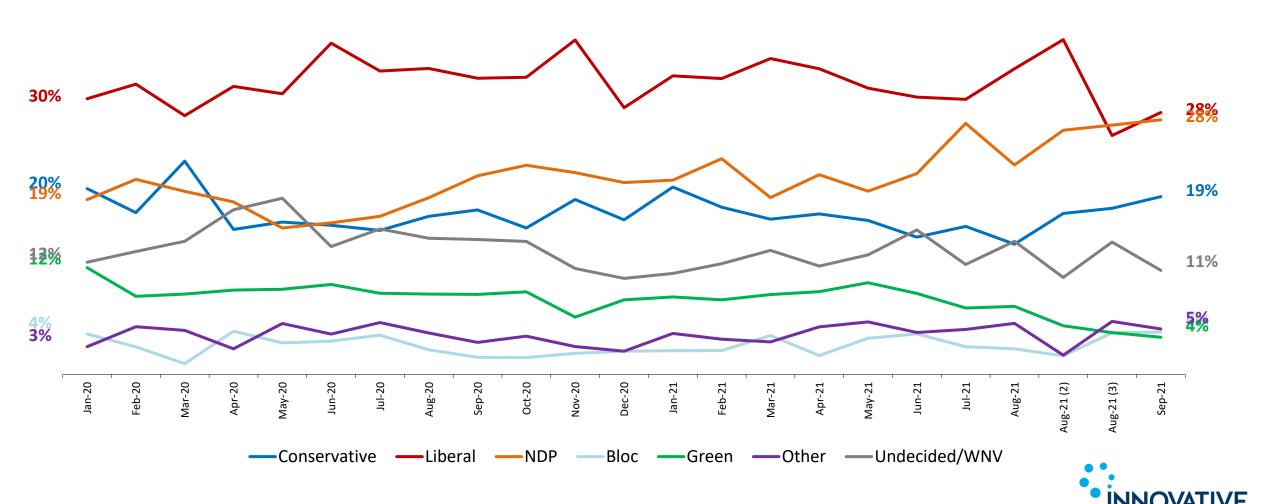


Vote by Age

18-34 Year Old Vote: 18-34 voters are split on their support for the Liberals and NDP at 28%



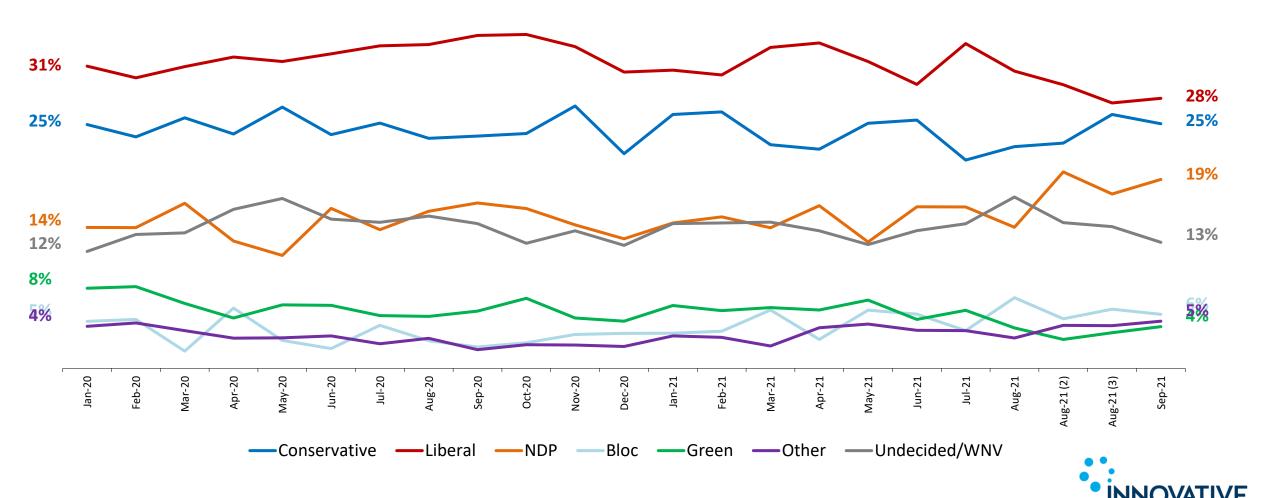
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=708]



35-54 Year Old Vote: The Liberals (28%) lead in the 35-54 age group while the Conservatives (25%) are closely behind

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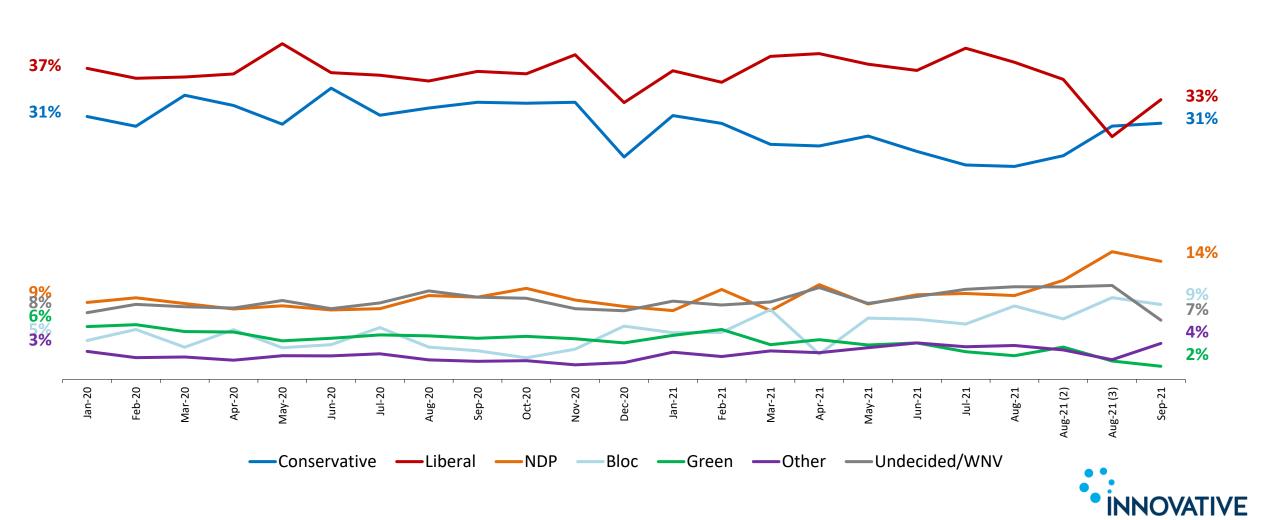
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=803]



55+ Year Old Vote: Among older voters, Liberals (33%) are now leading¹²⁵ the other parties, followed by the Conservatives (31%)

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If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=888]

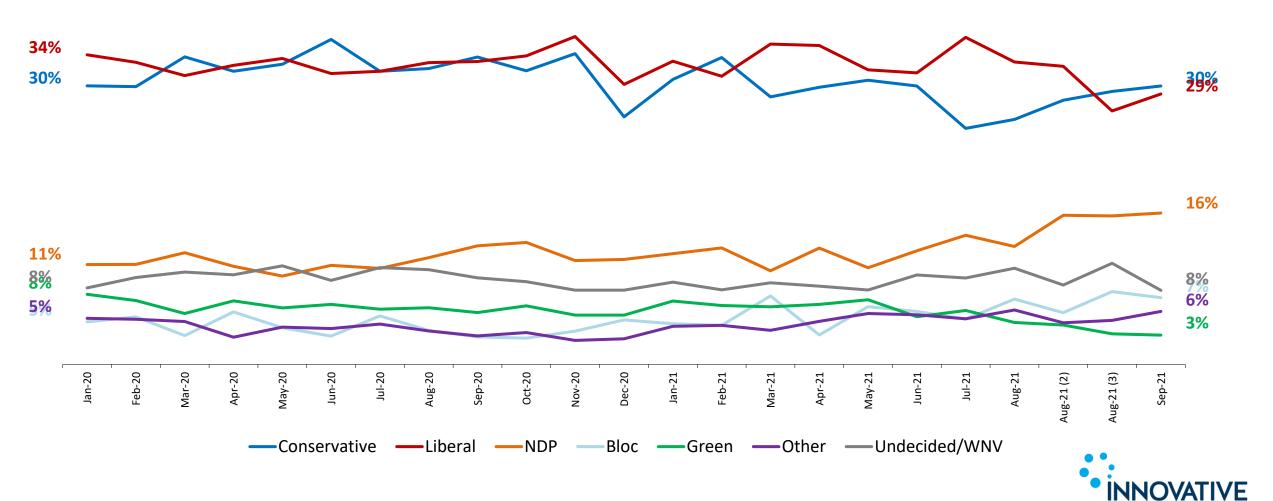


Vote by Gender

Men's Vote: Among men, support for the Conservatives (30%) is on par with the support for the Liberals (29%)

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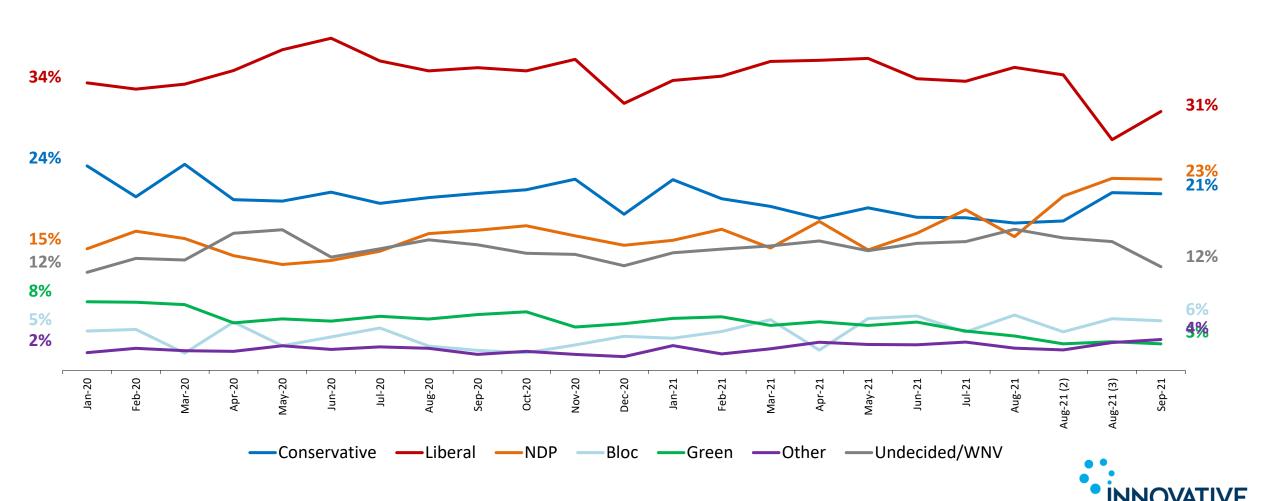
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=1161]



Women's Vote: Among women, the Liberals (31%) extend their lead over the other parties, with the NDP in second place (23%)

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If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [Vote + Lean] [asked of all respondents; n=1232]



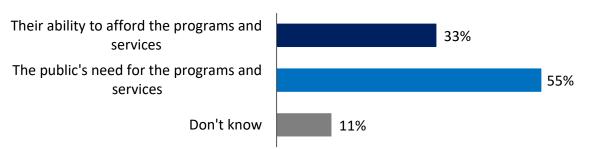
Segments in Detail

Core Political Values: Over half (55%) believe that the government should make their decisions based on the public's needs

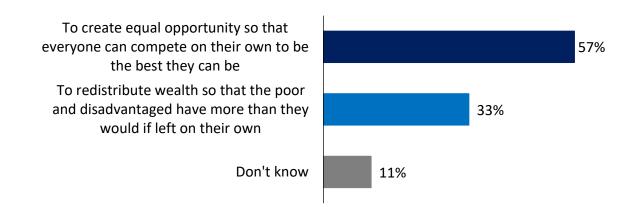


Now we would like to ask a few questions about basic values and society...When governments make major decisions concerning spending on programs and services, do you think they should be basing their decisions mainly on...?

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]



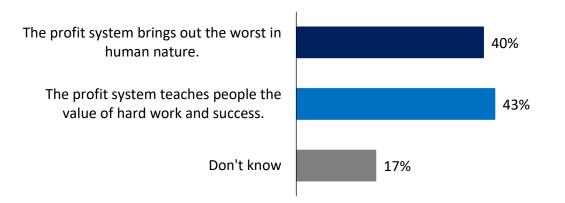






Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?

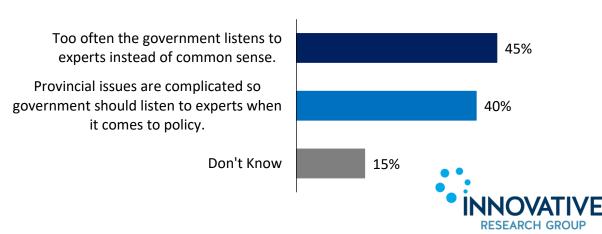
[asked of all respondents; n=2400]





When it comes to government decision making, which of the following statements is closest to your view?

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]

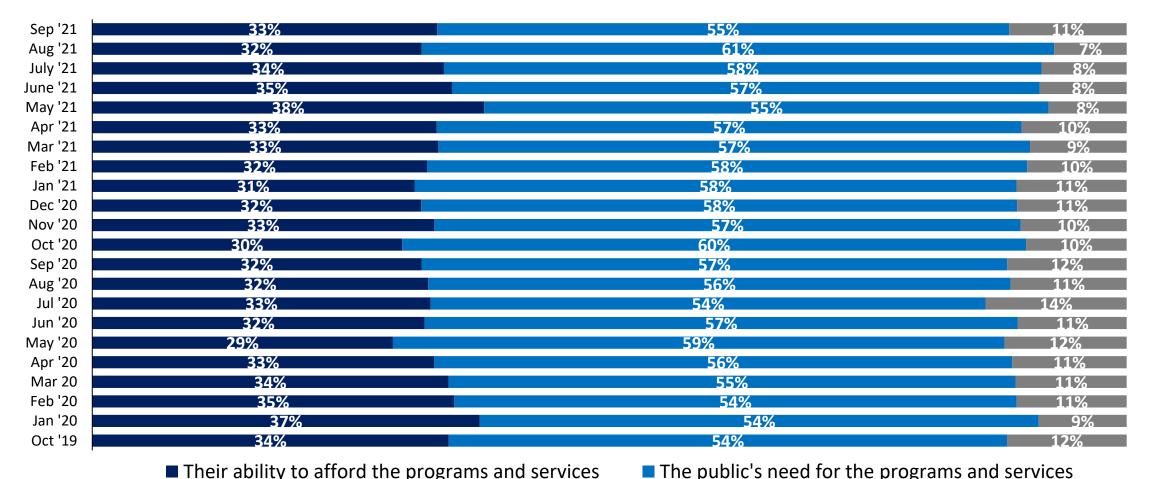


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Economic Values Tracking: Spending: The majority of Canadians still believe that gov't decisions should be based on public's needs



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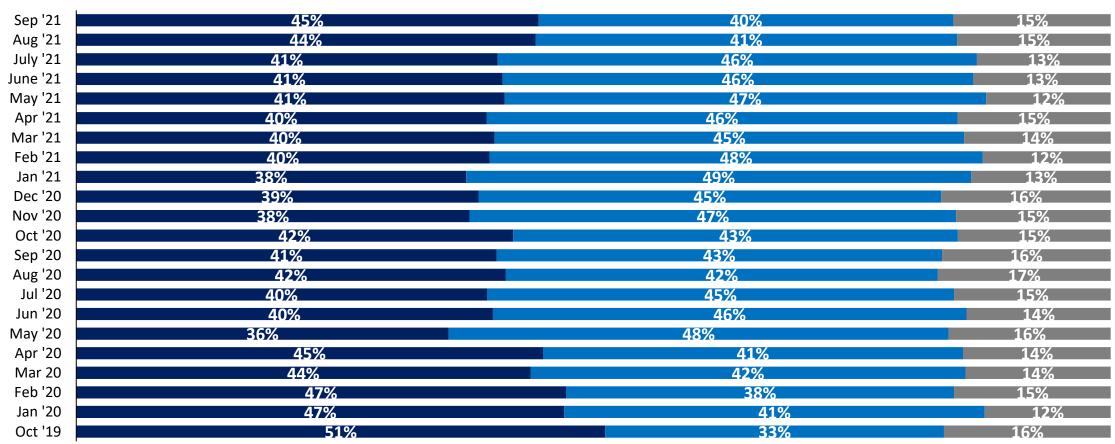
■ Don't know



Populism Tracking: Canadians still remain split on whether the government should listen to experts or not



When it comes to government decision making, which of the following statements is closest to your view?



- Too often the government listens to experts instead of common sense.
- Policy issues are complicated so government should listen to experts when it comes to policy.
- Don't Know

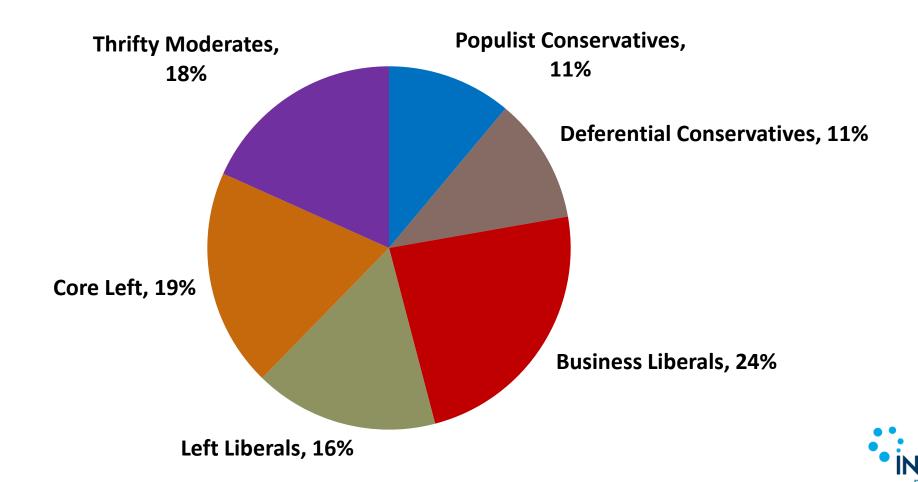


Value Clusters: 1-in-4 (24%) Canadians are Business Liberals, followed by Core Left (20%)

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Clusters are based on 4 basic values: equal opportunity versus redistribution; trust in the profit system; whether spending should be based on ability to afford or public need; and whether government should listen to experts or common sense.

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]



Defining Value Clusters: The Conservatives are split on whether they think that gov'ts should listen to experts or common sense

Core Political Values by Value Clusters

Note: Current data: September 2021

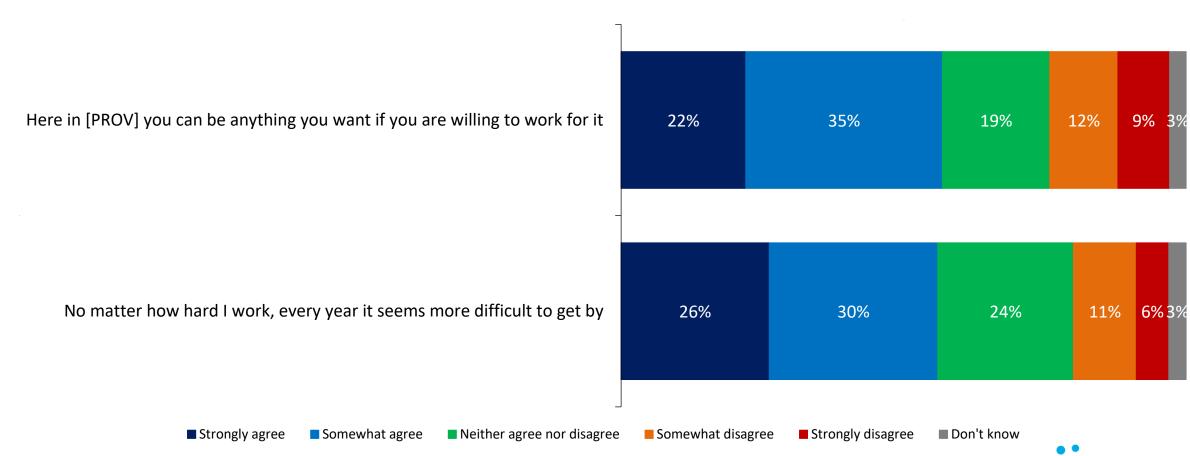
Column %		Deferential Conservatives	Populist Conservatives	Business Liberals	Left Liberals	Core Left	Thrifty Moderates
Governments	Ability to afford	93%	89%	0%	0%	0%	72%
should base decisions on	Public Need	0%	0%	93%	92%	94%	0%
Is the main role of	Create equal Opportunity	79%	96%	65%	96%	0%	32%
government to .?	Redistribute wealth	19%	0%	24%	0%	96%	34%
When it comes to	Rely on common sense	0%	100%	40%	57%	34%	45%
government decision making	Listen to experts	86%	0%	49%	30%	51%	22%
The profit system	Brings out the worst in human nature	0%	0%	0%	84%	83%	57%
	Teaches value of hard work and success	93%	88%	88%	0%	0%	9%



Segmentation Attitudes: Most Canadians (57%) agree they can be anything they want if they are willing to work for it



Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? - [asked of all respondents; n=2400]





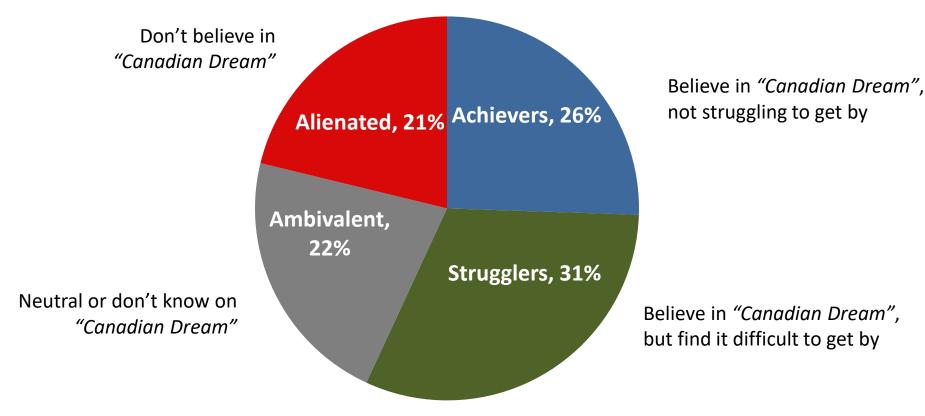
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Economic Gap Segmentation: Most Canadians are Strugglers (31%), followed by Achievers (26%)



Gap segmentation: Agree with 'Here in [PROVINCE] you can be anything you want if you are willing to work for it' BY Agree with 'No matter how hard I work, every year it seems more difficult to get by'.

[asked of all respondents; n=2400]





Methodology

Survey Methodology

These are the results of an online survey conducted between September 10th 2021 and September 12th, 2021, consisting of two samples merged together.

Method: The main sample was conducted using INNOVATIVE's Canada 20/20 national research panel with additional respondents from Dynata, a leading provider of online sample. All of INNOVATIVE's core tracking questions were asked of the main sample. The secondary sample was conducted with sample from Lucid. Respondents in this sample, were asked a portion of the core tracking survey, including vote intention, and then received a series of questions on additional, separate topics. Each survey is administered to a series of randomly selected samples from the panel and weighted to ensure that the overall sample's composition reflects that of the actual Canadian population according to Census data to provide results that are intended to approximate a probability sample.

Sample Size: n=1,831 Adult Canadians, 18 years or older are in the core sample and 1,372 are in the secondary sample. The combined results are weighted to n=2,400 based on Census data from Statistics Canada.

Field Dates: September 10th 2021 to September 12th 2021.

Weighting: Results in both samples are weighted by age, gender, region, and education to ensure that the overall sample's composition reflects that of the actual population according to Census data; in order to provide results that are intended to approximate a probability sample. Additionally, both samples are weighted by the distribution of reported 2019 vote to match previous samples in the 2021 election to ensure that the tracking on vote intention is not influenced by a change in online panel providers. Weighted and unweighted frequencies are reported below.

Margin of Error: This is a representative sample. However, since the online survey was not a random probability based sample, a margin of error cannot be calculated. Statements about margins of sampling error or population estimates do not apply to most online panels.

Note: Graphs may not always total 100% due to rounding values rather than any error in data. Sums are added before rounding numbers.

	Unweighted (n)	Unweighted (%)	Weighted (n)	Weighted (%)
Men 18-34	356	11.1%	351	14.7%
Men 35-54	468	14.6%	394	16.4%
Men 55+	615	19.2%	416	17.4%
Women 18-34	670	21.0%	352	14.7%
Women 35-54	486	15.2%	409	17.1%
Women 55+	600	18.8%	471	19.7%
ВС	416	13.0%	321	13.4%
АВ	387	12.1%	271	11.3%
Prairies	202	6.3%	157	6.5%
ON	1077	33.6%	924	38.5%
QC	777	24.3%	563	23.5%
Atlantic	344	10.7%	164	6.8%

Weighting Validation per Sample

Core Sample						
	Unweighted (n)	Unweighted (%)	Weighted (n)	Weighted (%)		
Men 18-34	254	13.9%	176	14.7%		
Men 35-54	270	14.8%	197	16.4%		
Men 55+	321	17.6%	209	17.5%		
Women 18-34	494	27.0%	174	14.6%		
Women 35-54	215	11.8%	204	17.1%		
Women 55+	273	14.9%	236	19.8%		
ВС	219	12.0%	163	13.6%		
АВ	209	11.4%	135	11.3%		
Prairies	114	6.2%	78	6.5%		
ON	551	30.1%	461	38.4%		
QC	481	26.3%	281	23.4%		
Atlantic	257	14.0%	82	6.8%		

	Unweighted (n)	Unweighted (%)	Weighted (n)	Weighted (%)
Men 18-34	102	7.5%	175	14.6%
Men 35-54	198	14.5%	197	16.5%
Men 55+	294	21.5%	207	17.3%
Women 18-34	176	12.9%	178	14.9%
Women 35-54	271	19.8%	204	17.1%
Women 55+	327	23.9%	234	19.6%
ВС	197	14.4%	159	13.2%
АВ	178	13.0%	136	11.3%
Prairies	88	6.4%	79	6.6%
ON	526	38.3%	463	38.6%
QC	296	21.6%	282	23.5%
Atlantic	87	6.3%	82	6.8%

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