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Study Overview



Building from findings off previous waves, this report tracks:

- Federal vote intentions
- Federal leadership
- Reaction to Trump



Summary

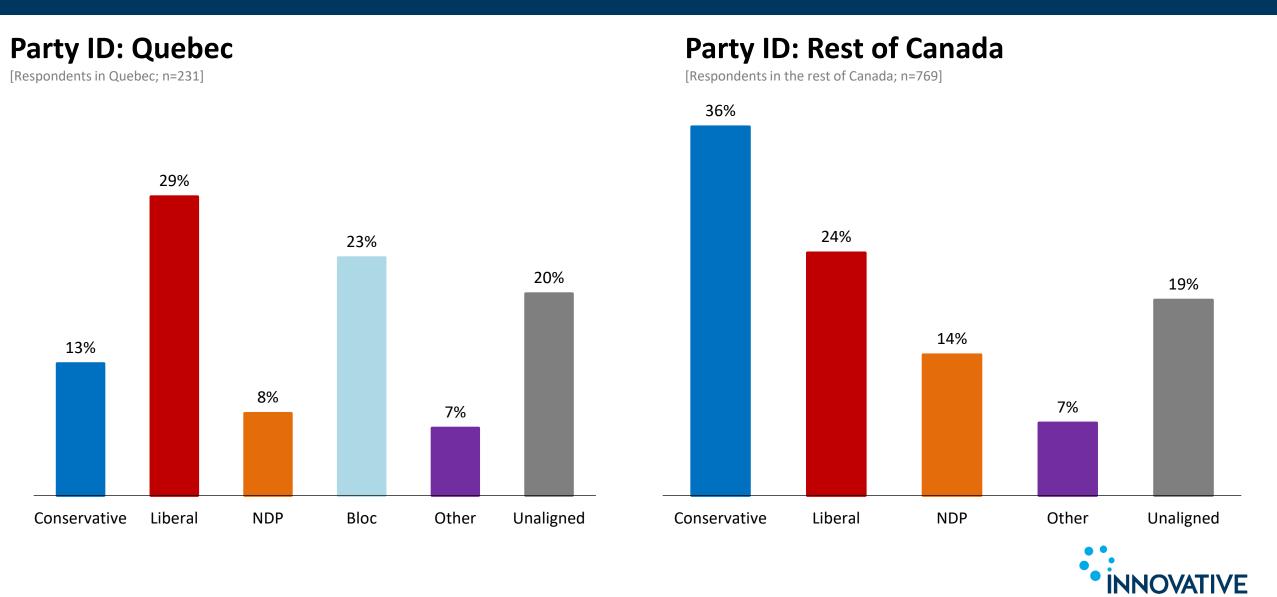
- For the second consecutive wave, the federal race remains marginally tied between the Liberal Party and the Conservative Party. While Liberals maintain their gain from last week, the Conservatives regained their loss from last week and are back at 38%.
- The Conservatives have narrowed the Liberal momentum gap. The Liberal campaign is still scoring more points with more people, but their advantage is much smaller. The Liberal lead on awareness has dropped from 18 points to 7 points. The Liberal advantage on campaign impact has dropped from 26 points more positive than the CPC to 9 points.
- Part of the momentum shift may be a reflection of some small intensity shifts in the battle of the ballot questions.

 Passion equals action in politics. The number of people who reported being mostly afraid of Trump dropped 5-points while the numbers who strongly agree it is time for change grew by 6-points.
- Poilievre rebounded on leadership vs Carney. As in vote, on leadership favourables Poilievre regained last week's losses while Carney held steady. On Best to be PM, Carney's 8-point lead from last week slipped to 2-points this week as Poilievre regained all his losses and Carney slipped slightly from his peak. However, Carney (43%) remains the preferred leader over Poilievre (33%) on handling Canada-U.S relations
 - **The Liberal gains have left them well-positioned in terms of seats.** The Liberals continue to lead in Quebec and Atlantic Canada. The Liberals and CPC are actually or virtually tied in BC and Ontario.

Key Voter Segments

Federal Party ID (Quebec vs. ROC):

Liberals lead in Quebec over Bloc by 6 points; Conservatives hold a 12-point lead over Liberals in the ROC



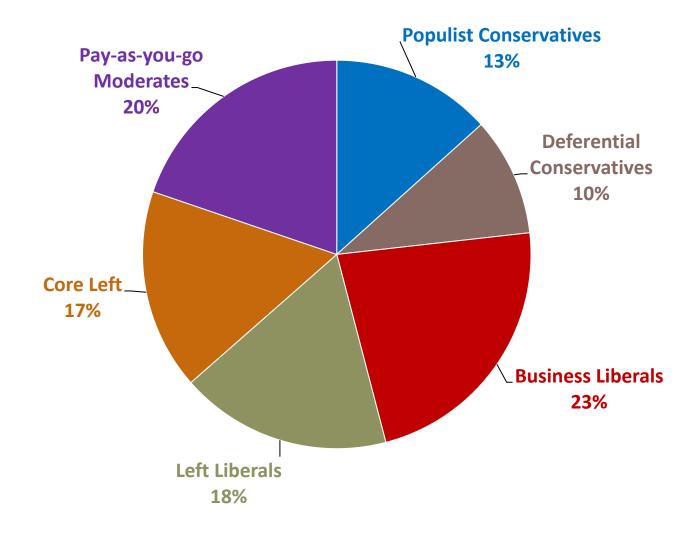
Value Clusters:

To win, any party must build a coalition across conflicting value clusters



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=1,000]





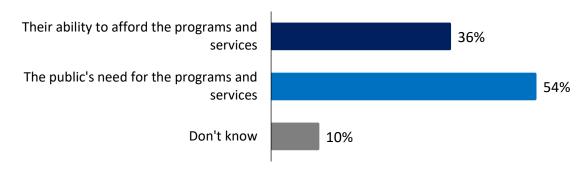
Core Political Values:

Over half believe the government should create equal opportunity and spend based on the public need

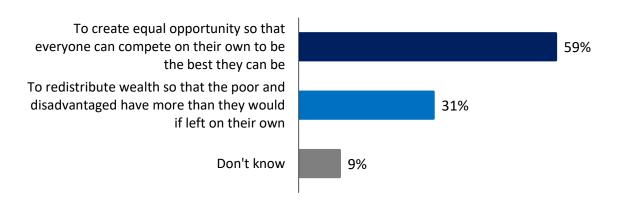
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When governments make major decisions concerning spending on programs and services, do you think they should be basing their decisions mainly on...?

[asked of all respondents; n=1000]



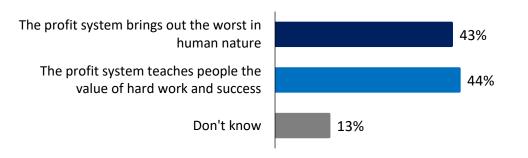






Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?

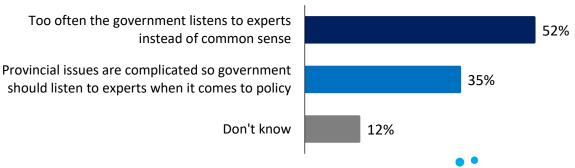
[asked of all respondents; n=1000]





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

[asked of all respondents; n=1000]





Defining Value Clusters:

Conservatives and Pay-as-you-go more likely to say governments should base decisions on affordability

Core Political Values by Value Clusters

Colui	Column %		Deferential Conservatives	Business Liberals	Left Liberals	Core Left	Pay-as-you-go Moderates
Governments should base	Ability to afford	91%	89%	0%	0%	0%	79%
decisions on	Public Need	0%	0%	97%	93%	93%	0%
Is the main role of government	Create equal opportunity	96%	70%	67%	96%	0%	38%
to?	Redistribute wealth	0%	21%	25%	0%	97%	37%
When it comes to government	Rely on common sense	100%	0%	44%	57%	46%	57%
decision making	Listen to experts	0%	87%	46%	31%	39%	22%
The mustite contains	Brings out the worst in human nature	0%	0%	0%	86%	85%	67%
The profit system	Teaches value of hard work and success	93%	97%	90%	0%	0%	11%



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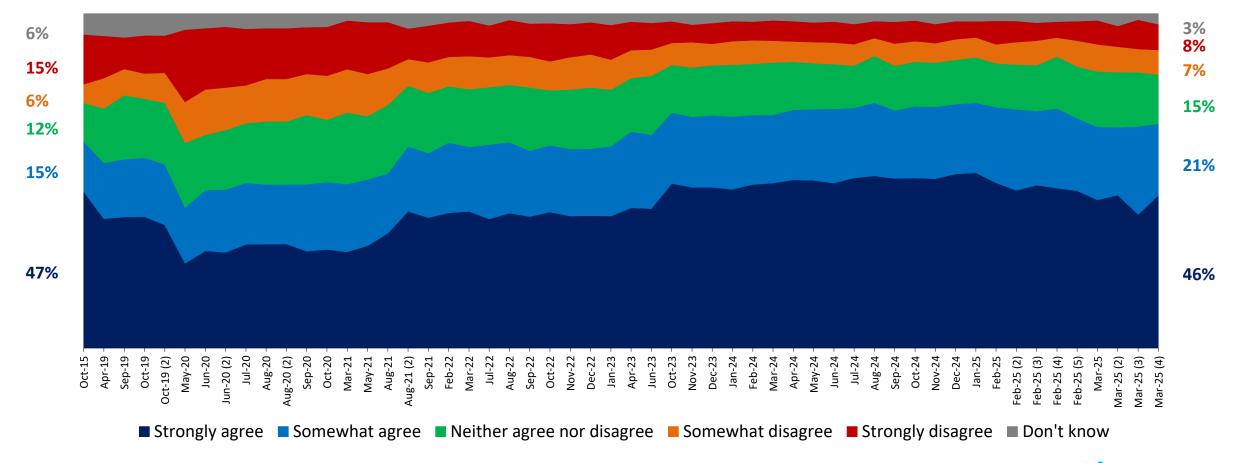
Time for Change

Time for Change Tracking:

6-point increase in strong agreement on 'Time for a change', total agreement at 67%

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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=1000]



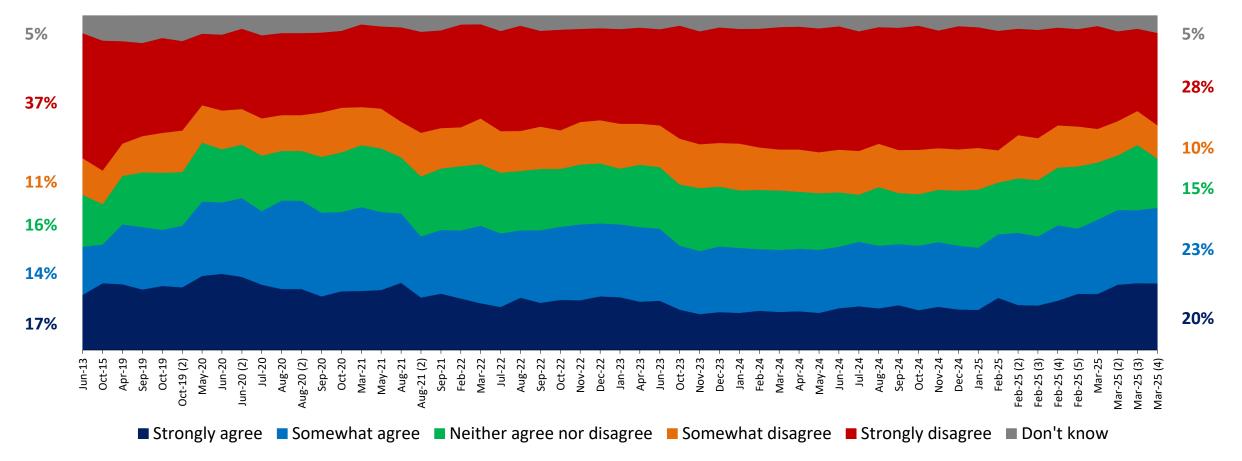


Time for Change Tracking:

43% of Canadians believe Liberals are the best party to govern – number is steadily increasing since January

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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=1000]





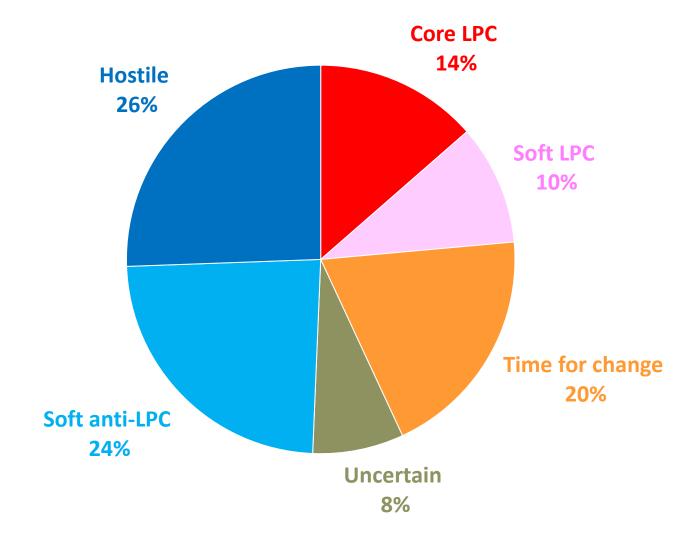
Time for Change Segmentation:

Time for a change Liberals are the critical voter segment in this election



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=1000]





Campaign Momentum

Campaign Attention And RSH Impact:

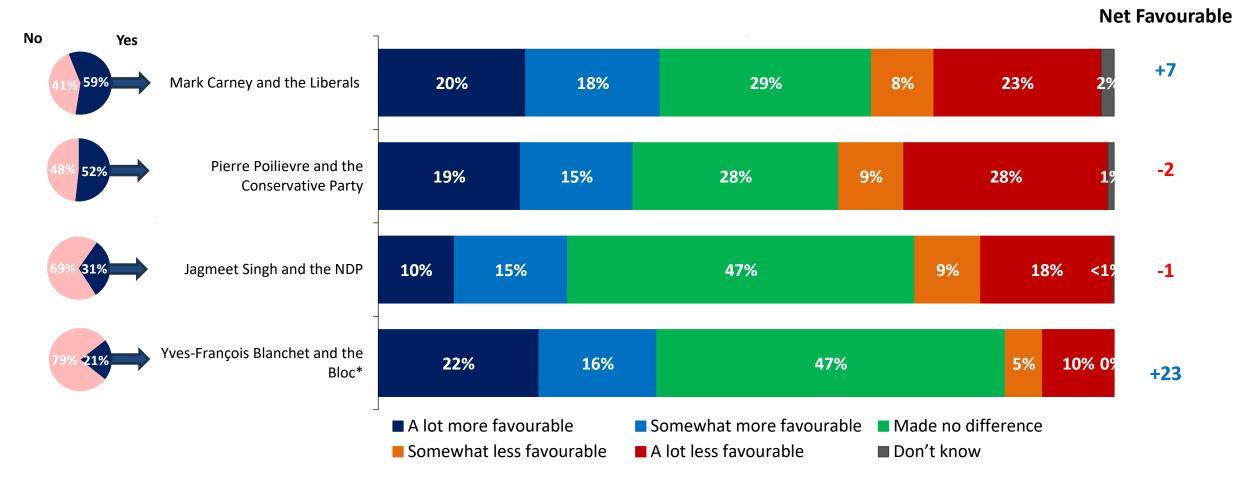
Among recent respondents, Blanchet has the highest net favorability, followed by Carney

Have you read, seen or heard anything about [LEADER] and the [PARTY] in the last few days? [asked of all respondents; n=1000]

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

[LEADER] and the [PARTY], or did it make no difference? [asked of all respondents who had read, seen or heard about the party; Liberals, n=586; PCs, n=517; NDP, n=312; Bloc n=49]

RSH in the Past Few Days



Note: * indicates a small n size.

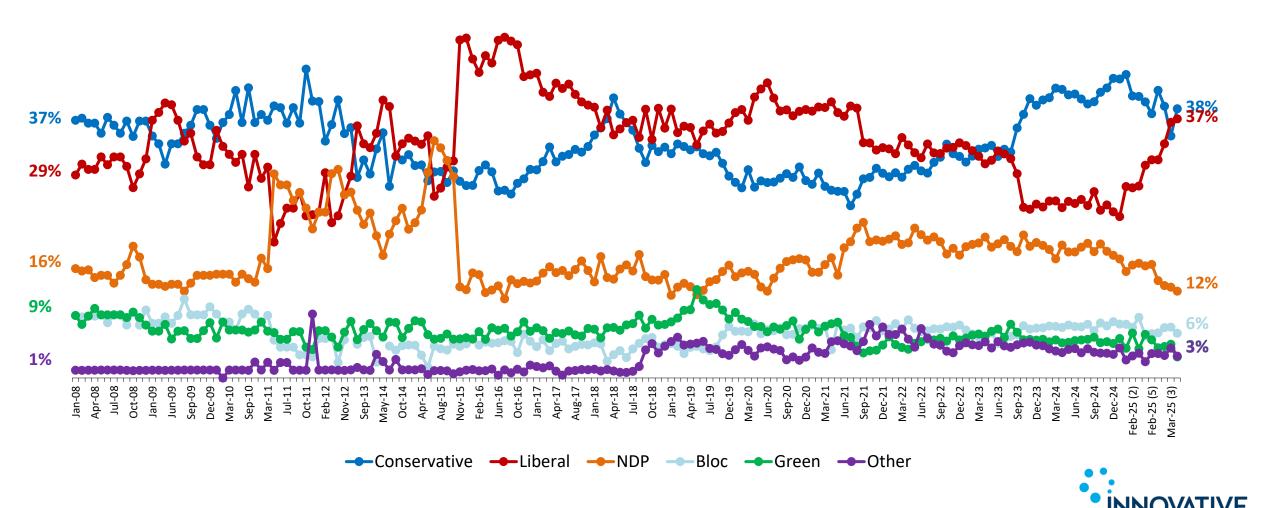
Federal Vote

Federal Decided Vote Tracking:

Second consecutive week of a marginally tied race; Conservatives see a 4-point increase to 38%

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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? [DECIDED] [asked only decided voters; n=903]



Decided Vote

Decided Vote by REGION:

QC and Atlantic regions show highest Liberal support; Alberta and Prairies more likely to support Conservatives

Decided vote by REGION

REGION

	ВС	AB	Prairies	ON	QC	Atlantic
	(N=127)	(N=99)	(N=54)	(N=352)	(N=208)	(N=62)
Conservative	40%	65%	39%	41%	20%	38%
Liberal	38%	18%	33%	41%	36%	48%
NDP	16%	13%	22%	11%	10%	11%
Bloc	0%	0%	0%	0%	28%	0%
Green	4%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
Other	2%	2%	4%	4%	4%	1%



Decided Vote by Value Clusters (March):

Conservatives make up 39% of Pay-as-you-go-Moderates; Liberals have made gains among all segments

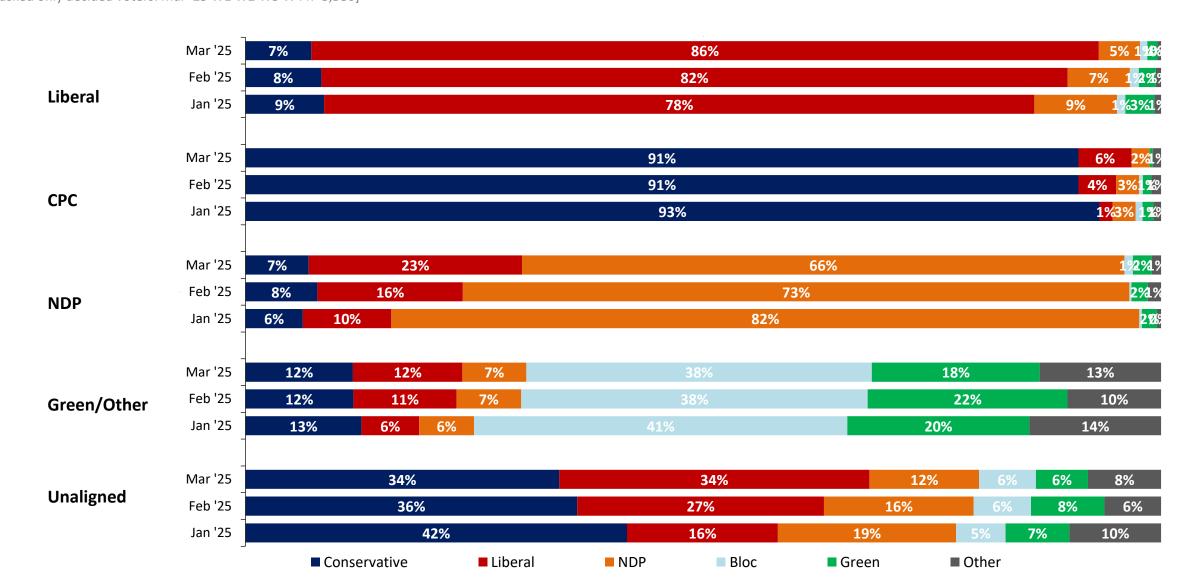
If a federal election were held today, which party would you vote for? In that case, which party do you lean toward slightly? [DECIDED] [asked only decided voters: Mar '25 W1 W2 W3 W4 n=3,580] **Populist Conservatives** Mar '25 68% Feb '25 Jan '25 76% Dec '24 75% **Deferential Conservatives** Mar '25 38% 35% 3% 2% Feb '25 47% 26% 4% 1% Jan '25 45% 22% 4% 3% Dec '24 46% 26% 3% 3% **Business Liberals** Mar '25 37% 38% 4% 2% Feb '25 39% 33% 4% 3% Jan '25 39% 28% 5% 5% Dec '24 43% 27% 3% 2% **Left Liberals** Mar '25 38% Feb '25 33% 31% Jan '25 34% 26% 22% Dec '24 40% 24% 21% Core Left Mar '25 21% 43% 21% Feb '25 38% 28% Jan '25 21% 26% 33% Dec '24 24% 29% Pay-as-you-go-Moderates Mar '25 39% 30% Feb '25 26% 41% Jan '25 45% Dec '24 43% 20% 18% ■ Liberal NDP Bloc ■ Other Conservative Green

Decided Vote by Party ID (March):

Liberals and Conservatives have strong support from their base; Liberals are gaining from NDP and Unaligned

Q

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 only decided voters: Mar '25 W1 W2 W3 W4 n=3,580]

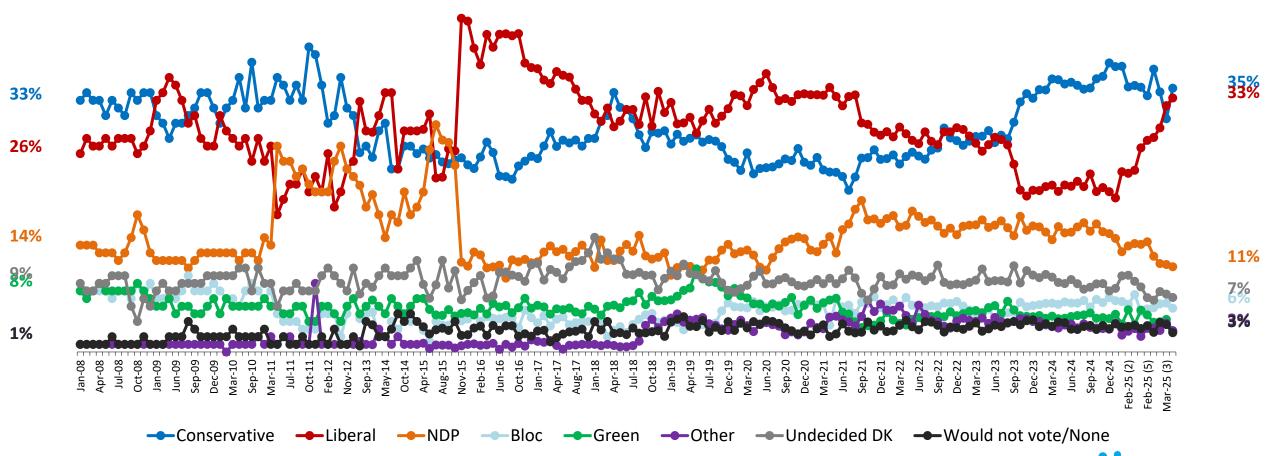


Federal Vote Tracking:

Conservatives and Liberals remain marginally tied; 4-point increase for Conservatives since the last wave

Q

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=1000]





Combined Vote by Value Cluster:

Populist Conservatives and Pay-as-you-go Moderates show the highest support for Conservatives

Value Clusters

	Populist Conservatives	Deferential Conservatives	Business Liberals	Left Liberals	Core Left	Pay-as-you-go Moderates
	(N=133)	(N=99)	(N=227)	(N=176)	(N=167)	(N=198)
Conservative	64%	35%	33%	31%	15%	37%
Liberal	21%	32%	36%	38%	42%	27%
NDP	4%	8%	12%	12%	17%	11%
Bloc	3%	14%	8%	2%	7%	3%
Green	0%	2%	4%	2%	3%	4%
Other	5%	2%	2%	5%	1%	2%
Undecided DK	2%	7%	3%	7%	11%	11%
Would not vote/None	0%	0%	2%	2%	4%	5%



Federal Combined Vote

Combined Vote by Time for Change:

Core LPC, Soft LPC, Time for a change and Uncertain show highest support for liberals

Time for Change

	Core LPC	Soft LPC	Time for change	Uncertain	Soft anti-LPC	Hostile
	(N=136)	(N=100)	(N=195)	(N=76)	(N=238)	(N=256)
Conservative	1%	10%	17%	6%	38%	81%
Liberal	89%	68%	52%	24%	10%	1%
NDP	5%	12%	15%	7%	19%	5%
Bloc	3%	3%	3%	10%	11%	4%
Green	2%	1%	5%	6%	3%	1%
Other	0%	0%	3%	5%	3%	4%
Undecided DK	0%	4%	3%	26%	14%	3%
Would not vote/None	0%	2%	1%	15%	3%	1%



Combined Vote by Gender and Age:

Men and those middle aged (35-54) are more likely to support the Conservative party

Gender and Age

	Man	Woman	18-34	35-54	55+
	(N=482)	(N=514)	(N=268)	(N=325)	(N=406)
Conservative	39%	30%	33%	36%	34%
Liberal	33%	33%	31%	30%	37%
NDP	10%	13%	14%	12%	9%
Bloc	6%	6%	4%	5%	7%
Green	3%	2%	5%	3%	1%
People's Party	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
Other	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
Undecided DK	3%	11%	6%	8%	7%
Would not vote None	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%



Combined Vote by Firmness of Vote:

Conservatives are the most likely to have made up their mind

Firmness of Vote

	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
	(N=488)	(N=438)	(N=74)
Conservative	44%	28%	13%
Liberal	37%	31%	18%
NDP	8%	15%	7%
Bloc	5%	7%	4%
Green	1%	4%	6%
People's Party	1%	3%	1%
Other	1%	0%	3%
Undecided DK	0%	11%	28%
Would not vote None	2%	0%	21%

Note: Current data: March 2025



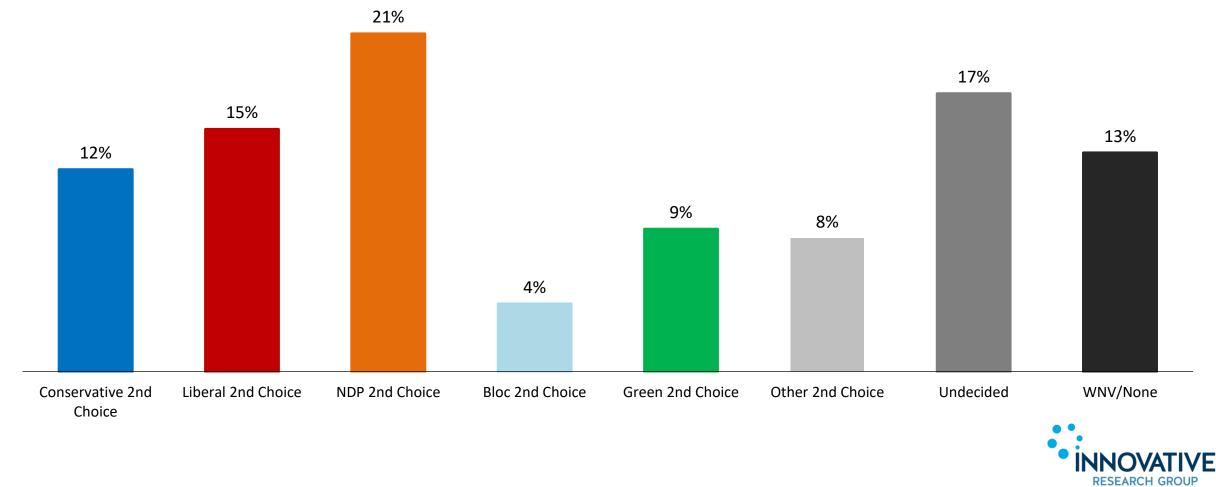
Federal 2nd Choice Party:

NDP remains in the lead as the second vote choice at 21%



And which party would be your second choice?

[asked only decided voters; n=903]



Second Choice

Federal 2nd Choice Party:

46% of those who prefer the NDP as their first choice rank the Liberals as their 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
	(N=346)	(N=333)	(N=112)	(N=57)	(N=27)
Conservative 2nd Choice		21%	15%	21%	15%
Liberal 2nd Choice	16%		46%	25%	41%
NDP 2nd Choice	12%	42%		9%	16%
Bloc 2nd Choice	4%	5%	3%		0%
Green 2nd Choice	6%	9%	16%	16%	0%
Other 2nd Choice	17%	2%	2%	5%	12%
Undecided	21%	17%	14%	17%	9%
WNV/None	25%	6%	4%	9%	7%

Note: 'Other' in Combined Vote not shown due to insufficient sample size. Current data: March 2025

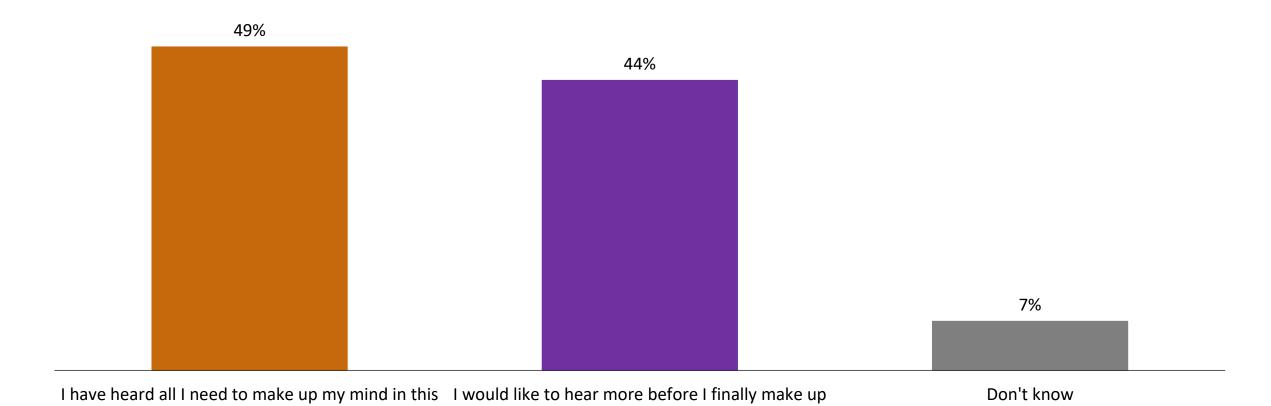
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Firmness of Vote:

Almost half (49%) of Canadians say they have heard all they need to make up their mind in this election



Which statement is closest to your view about the upcoming federal election? [asked of all respondents; n=1000]



my mind in this election

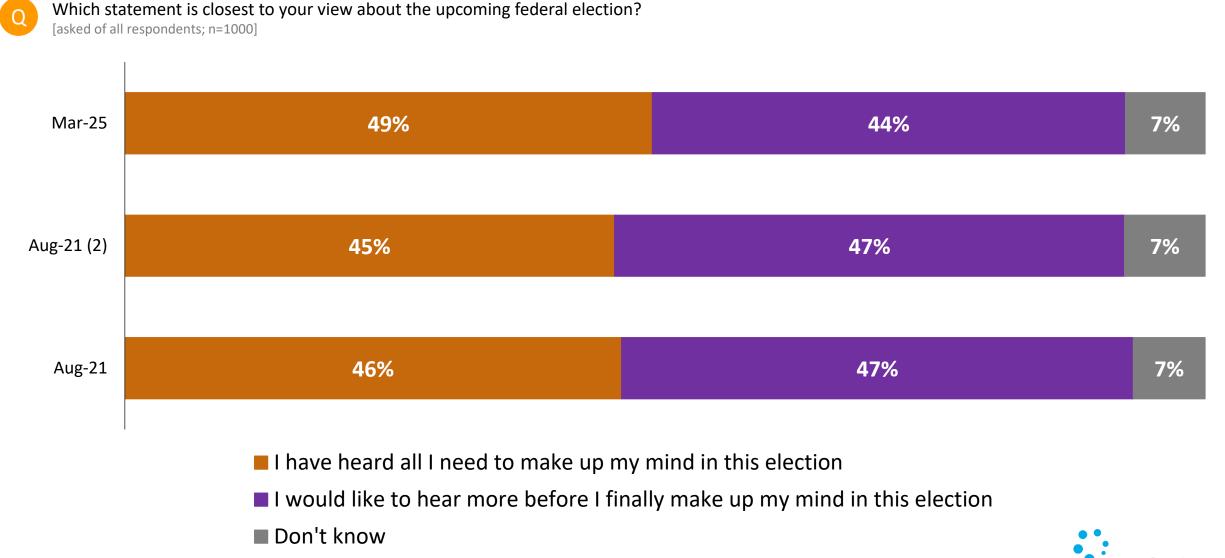


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Firmness of Vote Tracking:

Voters are more certain now than they were just before the 2021 election





Satisficing

Firmness of Vote:

While two thirds of Conservatives are locked-in, other are open to more information.

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
	(N=346)	(N=333)	(N=112)	(N=57)
I have heard all I need to make up my mind in this election	62%	55%	36%	41%
I would like to hear more before I finally make up my mind in this election	35%	41%	59%	54%
Don't know	3%	4%	5%	5%

Note: 'Other' in Combined Vote not shown due to insufficient sample size.



Leadership

Leader Favourables:

Carney leads in favourability by 4 points and Poilievre leads in unfavourability by 9 points



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=1000]

Net Favourable Mark Carney 19% 23% 18% 21% 2% 5% 12% 10 Pierre Poilievre 20% 19% 15% 12% 30% -2 Jagmeet Singh 3% 5% -9 9% 20% 23% 15% 24% Yves-François Blanchet 12% 20% 9% 7% 11% 11 29% 12% ■ Very favourable ■ Somewhat favourable ■ Neutral/Neither favourable nor unfavourable ■ Somewhat unfavourable ■ Very unfavourable ■ Do not recognize ■ Don't know



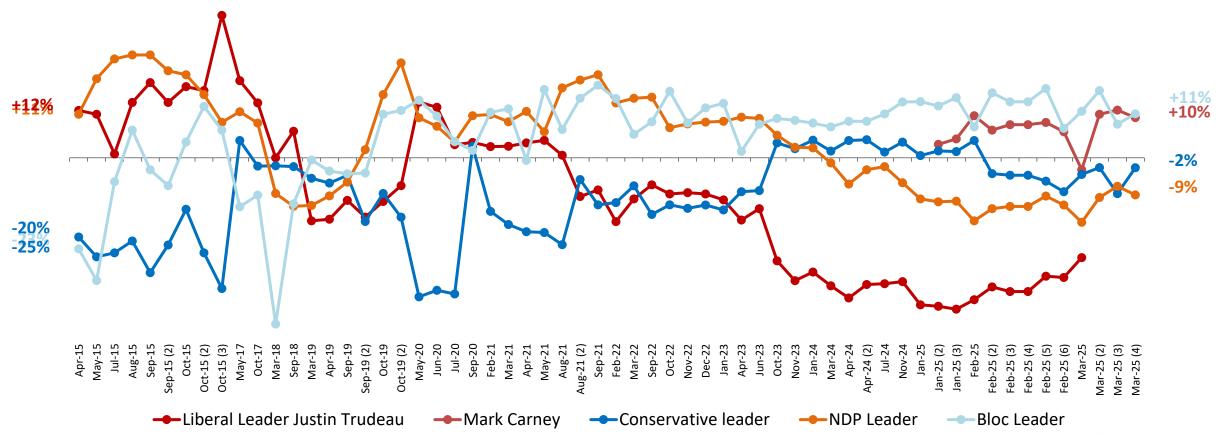
Party Leader NET Favourables Tracking:

Poilievre's NET favourability recovers to the beginning of March levels; Carney's hold steady

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[asked of all respondents; n=1000]



Note: Green Leader, People's Party Leader not shown.

Current data: March 2025

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

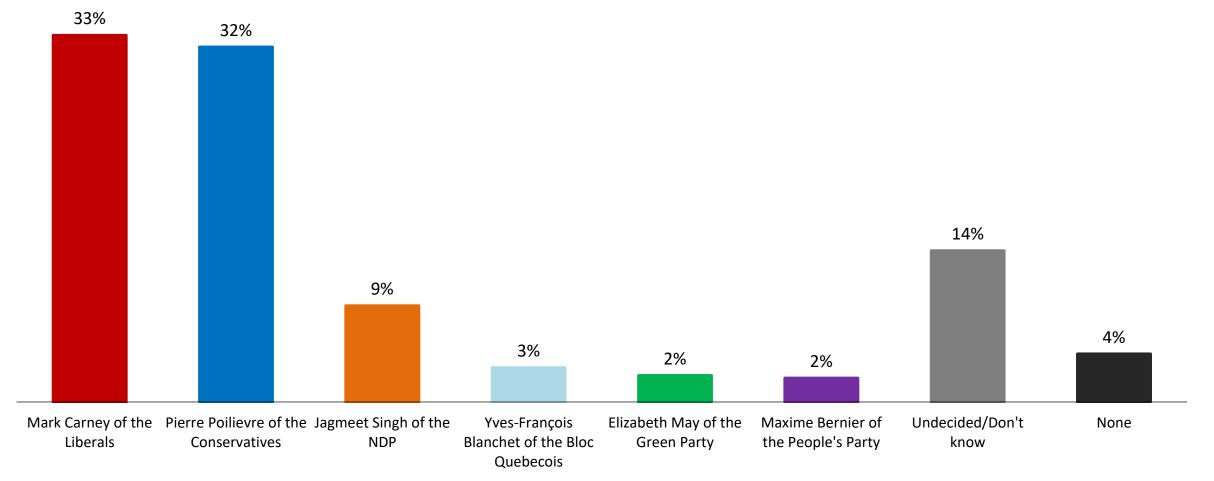


Best Prime Minister:

Carney and Poilievre marginally tied as best Prime Minister



Which of the following party leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada? [asked of all respondents; n=1000]



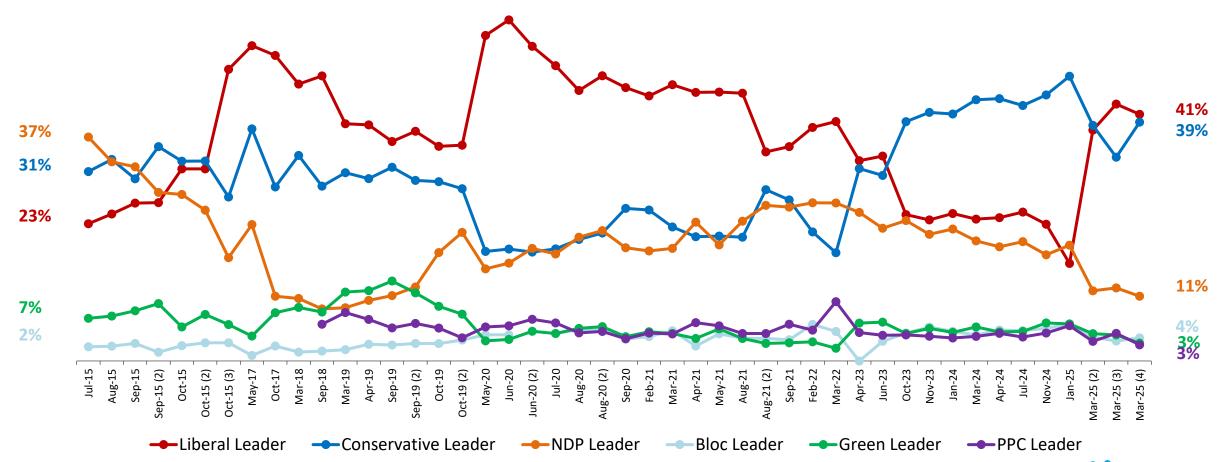


Best Prime Minister Tracking (Decided):

Support for Carney and Poilievre converges, with Poilievre behind 2 points

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Which of the following party leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada? [asked all decided voters; n=903]





Best Prime Minister by Quebec vs Rest of Canada:

Carney's support is 33% in Quebec and rest of Canada (33%). Conservatives with 3-point lead in the ROC

Quebec vs Rest of Canada

	Quebec	Rest of Canada
	(N=231)	(N=769)
Liberal Leader	33%	33%
Conservative Leader	18%	36%
NDP Leader	11%	8%
Bloc Leader	14%	0%
Green Leader	2%	3%
PPC Leader	3%	2%
Undecided/DK	17%	13%
None	3%	5%



Best Prime Minister by Region:

Poilievre's stronghold is in Alberta, while Carney leads in other regions

Region

	ВС	BC AB Prairies ON		ON	ON QC	
	(N=139)	(N=111)	(N=64)	(N=387)	(N=231)	(N=67)
Liberal Leader	36%	17%	29%	37%	33%	38%
Conservative Leader	32%	57%	28%	35%	18%	30%
NDP Leader	9%	5%	10%	9%	11%	6%
Bloc Leader	0%	0%	0%	0%	14%	0%
Green Leader	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	5%
PPC Leader	1%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%
Undecided/DK	11%	14%	16%	12%	17%	19%
None	8%	2%	10%	4%	3%	2%



Best Prime Minister by Age:

Young and middle-aged voters are more pro-Poilievre, while those over the age 55 are more pro-Carney.

Age

	18-34	35-54	55+
	(N=268)	(N=325)	(N=406)
Liberal Leader	27%	30%	40%
Conservative Leader	33%	34%	31%
NDP Leader	14%	9%	5%
Bloc Leader	3%	3%	3%
Green Leader	5%	2%	1%
PPC Leader	3%	2%	1%
Undecided/DK	10%	15%	15%
None	4%	5%	4%



Best Prime Minister by Gender:

Male voters lean slightly toward Poilievre, while female voters lean the opposite way.

Gender

	Men	Women
	(N=482)	(N=514)
Liberal Leader	36%	31%
Conservative Leader	38%	27%
NDP Leader	8%	10%
Bloc Leader	4%	2%
Green Leader	2%	3%
PPC Leader	2%	2%
Undecided/DK	9%	19%
None	2%	6%



Best Prime Minister by Values Clusters:

Liberals hold their ground while showing influence among Deferential Conservatives.

Values Clusters

	Populist Conservatives	Deferential Conservatives	Business Liberals	Left Liberals	Core Left	Pay-as-you-go Moderates
	(N=133)	(N=99)	(N=227)	(N=176)	(N=167)	(N=198)
Liberal Leader	23%	34%	41%	33%	40%	25%
Conservative Leader	60%	33%	30%	29%	13%	34%
NDP Leader	1%	9%	7%	10%	14%	11%
Bloc Leader	1%	4%	6%	1%	5%	2%
Green Leader	0%	1%	3%	2%	4%	3%
PPC Leader	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%
Undecided/DK	9%	13%	9%	17%	17%	17%
None	3%	3%	3%	5%	5%	7%



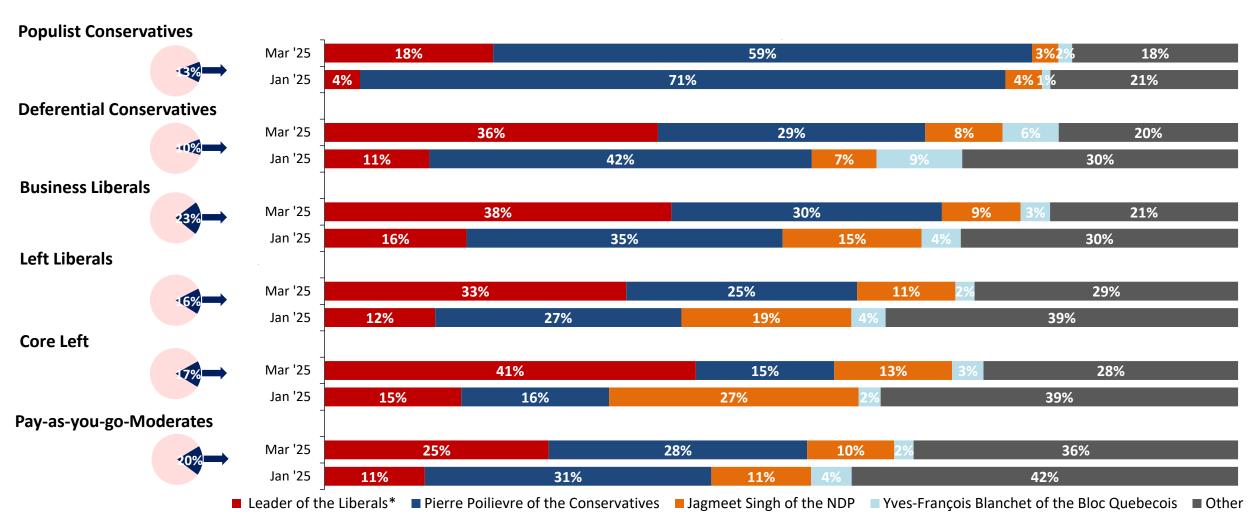
Best PM by Value Clusters:

Pay-as-you-go-Moderates split support between Carney and Poilievre



Which of the following party leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada?

[asked of all respondents: Jan '25 W1 W2 n=1,500; Mar '25 W1 W2 W3 W4 n=3,000]



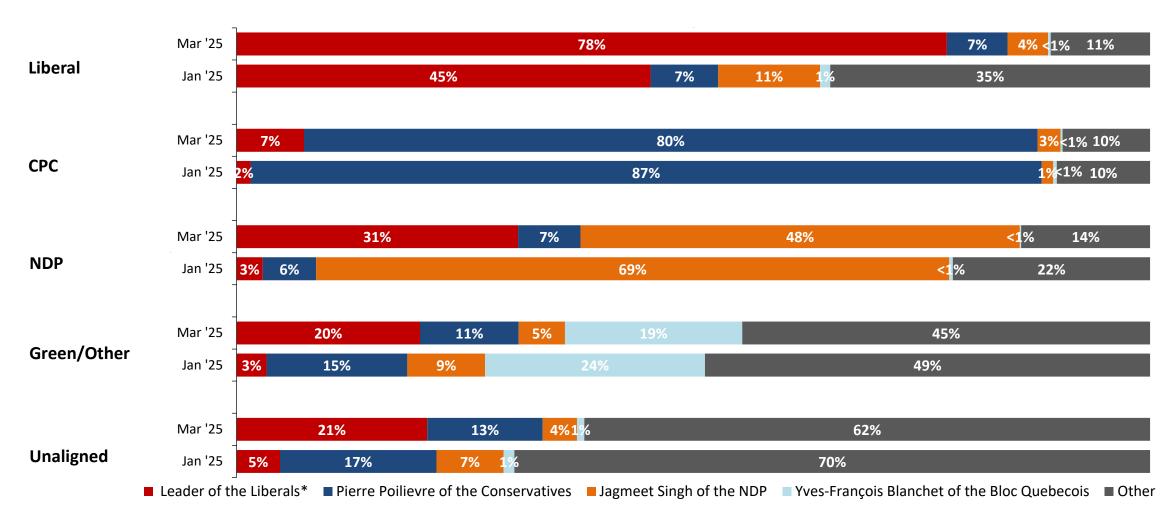
Best PM by Party ID (January-March):

Support for own leader decreases across all parties except for Liberals following Carney leadership win

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Which of the following party leaders would make the best Prime Minister of Canada?

[asked of all respondents: Jan '25 W1 W2 n=1,500; Mar '25 W1 W2 W3 W4 n=3,000]



Reaction to Trump

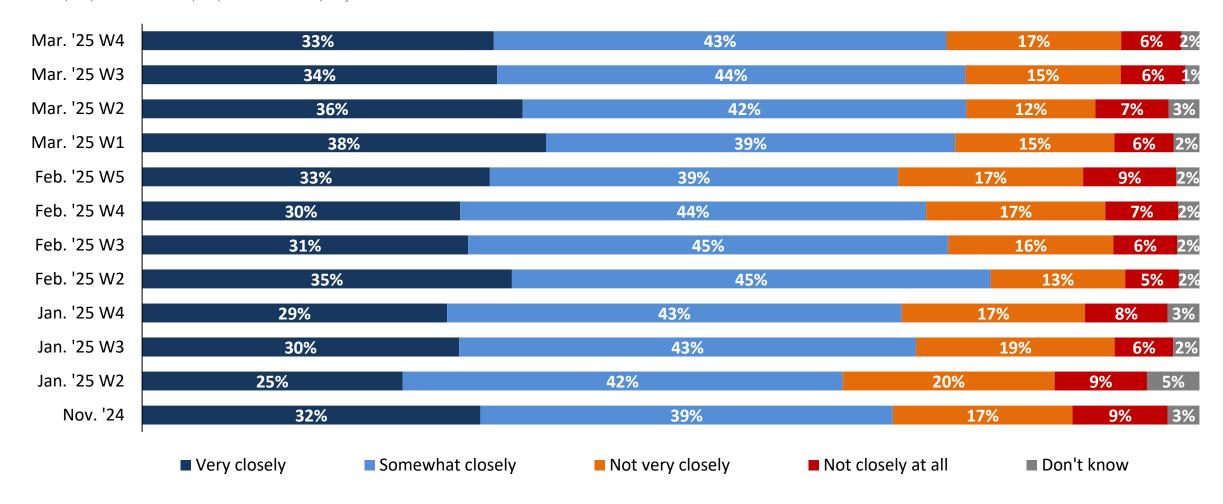
Engagement with U.S.-Canada Relationship:

Attention to U.S-Canadian relations softened marginally from 78% to 76%, but still remains high



How closely are you following the news about the relationship between Canada and the US now Donald J. Trump is the President of the United States once again? [asked of all respondents, Nov. '24-Jan. '25 W3 n=1,000; Jan. '25 W4 n=500; Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W2 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W2 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W3 n=1,0

n=1,000; Mar. '25 W3 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W4 n=1,000]



Note: Question wording in Jan. '25 W3 and Nov.'24 was "How closely are you following the news about Donald J. Trump becoming the President of the United States?" Question wording in Jan. '25 W4 was "How closely are you following the news about the relationship between Canada and the U.S. now that Donald J. Trump is becoming the President of the United States?"

Attitude Towards President Trump:

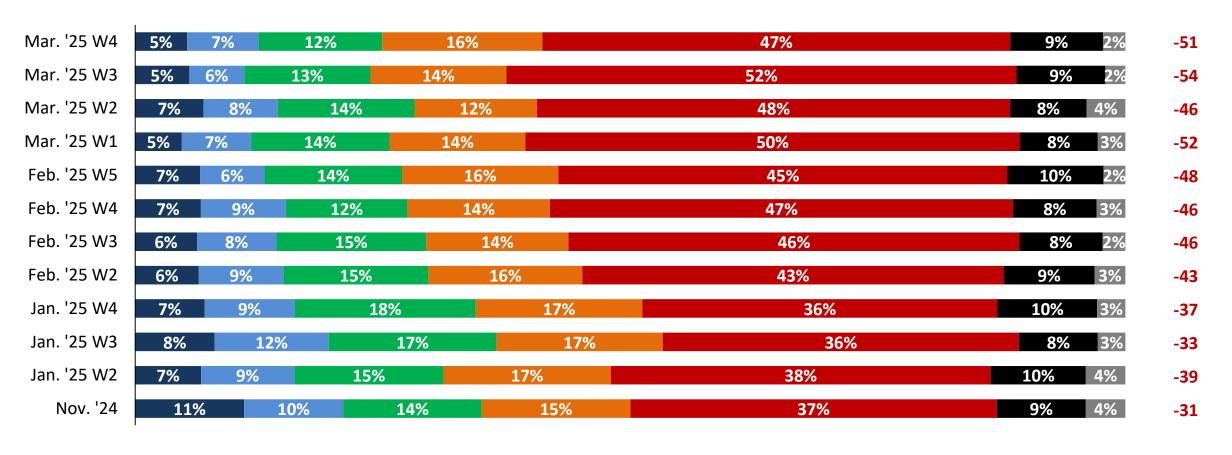
Passion ebbs as those mostly afraid of Trump slip 5-points

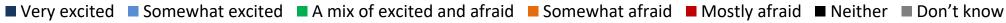
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Does Donald J. Trump's election as the US President leave you feeling excited or afraid?

[asked of all respondents, Nov. '24-Jan. '25 W3 n=1,000; Jan. '25 W4 n=500; Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W4 n=1,0

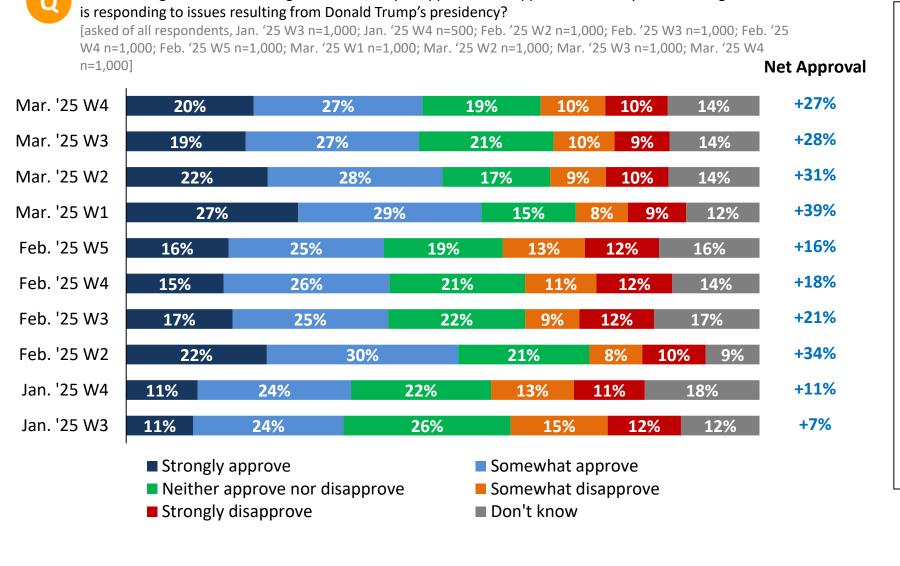
Net Excited



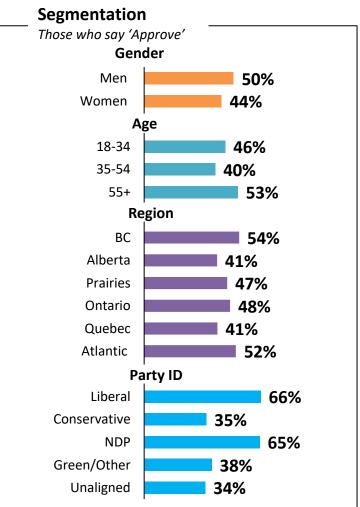


Federal Leadership Approval:

Net approval of the Federal government remains steady since March W3; highest approval among Liberals/NDP



Now thinking about the federal government, do you approve or disapprove of the way the Federal government



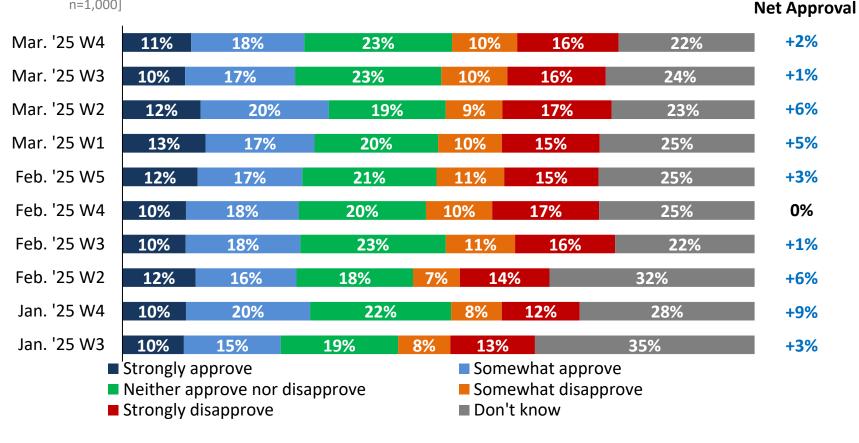
Pierre Poilievre and the Conservatives' Approach:

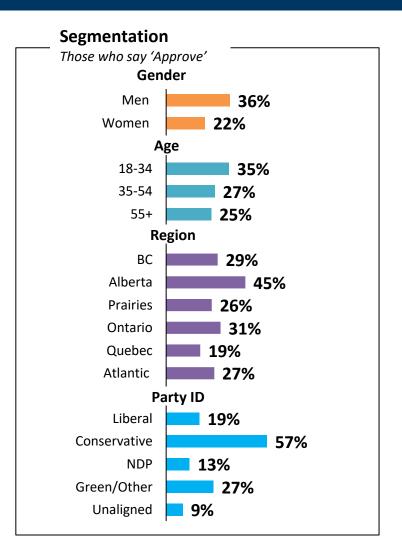
Canadians remain divided on CPC response to Trump with many uncertain

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Do you approve or disapprove of the way Pierre Poilievre and the Conservative Party is responding to issues resulting from Donald Trump's presidency?

[asked of all respondents, Jan. '25 W3 n=1,000; Jan. '25 W4 n=500; Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W2 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W3 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W4 n=1,000]





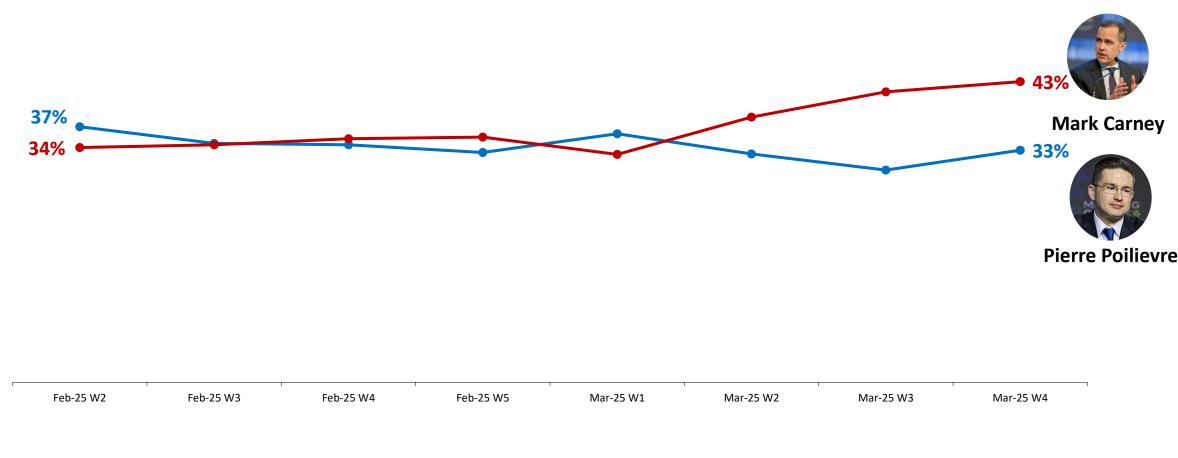
Best Leader for Canada-US Relations Tracking:

Carney continues to rise as the best leader over the course of March

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Which of the following leaders do you believe is best equipped to handle Canada-US relations during Trump's renewed presidency?

[asked of all respondents, Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W2 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W3 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W4 n=1,000]



Pierre Poilievre

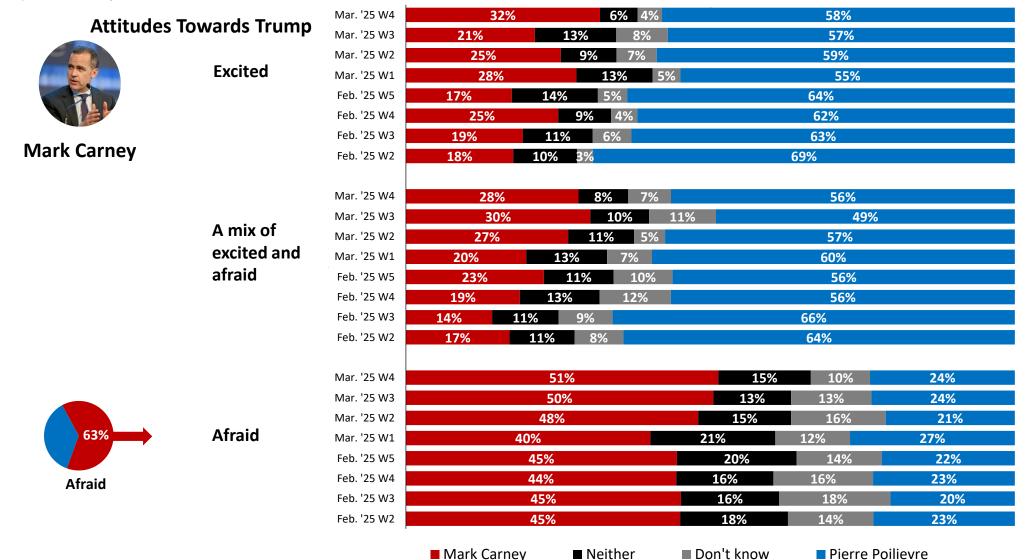
Best Leader for Canada-US Relations:

Carney's lead among the afraid remains at peak while Poilievre remains strong among the excited and mixed

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Which of the following leaders do you believe is best equipped to handle Canada-US relations during Trump's renewed presidency? BY ATTITUDE TOWARDS TRUMP

[asked of all respondents, Feb. '25 W2 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W3 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W4 n=1,000; Feb. '25 W5 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W1 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W2 n=1,000; Mar. '25 W3 n=1,000; '25 W4 n=1,000]



Survey Methodology



These are the results of an online survey conducted between March 26th and March 31st, 2025.

Method: This online survey was conducted and sponsored by Innovative Research Group Inc. using INNOVATIVE's Canada 20/20 national research panel with additional respondents from Lucid, a leading provider of online sample. 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=1,742 Canadian citizens, 18 years or older. The results are nationally weighted to n=1,000 based on Census data from Statistics Canada.

Field Dates: March 26th and March 31st, 2025.

Weighting: Results for Canada are weighted by age, gender, region, education, and self-reported federal past vote 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. Weighted and unweighted frequencies are reported in the table.

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	759	10.8%	133	13.4%
Men 35-54	1,149	16.3%	158	15.9%
Men 55+	1,521	21.6%	190	19.1%
Women 18-34	824	11.7%	131	13.2%
Women 35-54	1,201	17%	167	16.7%
Women 55+	1,602	22.7%	216	21.7%
British Columbia	900	12.7%	139	13.9%
Alberta	890	12.6%	111	11.1%
Prairies	846	11.9%	64	6.4%
Ontario	2,394	33.8%	387	38.7%
Québec	Québec 1,174		231	23.1%
Atlantic	880	12.4%	67	6.7%

Methodology

The report also details tracking data for four waves for the month of March among 6543 Canadian citizens, 18 years of age and older, from March 05, 2025 to March 31, 2025.

The monthly sample has also been weighted (n=4,000) by age, gender, region, education, and self-reported federal past vote using the latest available Census data to reflect the actual demographic composition of the population.

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