

Over three weeks, Conservative Party support has risen to 35% among decided voters; Liberal Party support has declined to 28%

New Decima poll reveals further gains for Conservative Party.

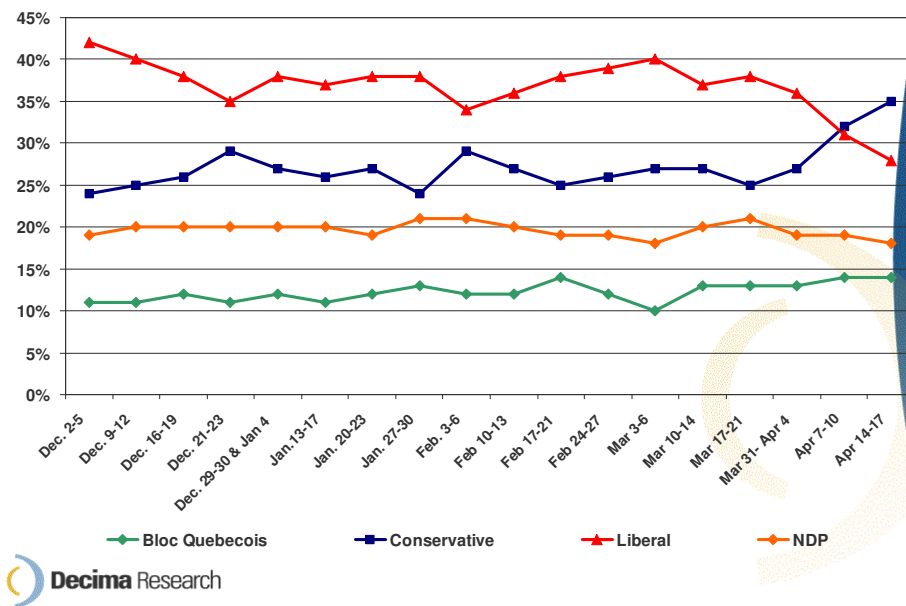
A new poll by Decima Research confirms that the Liberal Party lost support over the past week and the Conservatives have taken the lead in voter preference. Among the key findings of the poll:

- Over the last three weeks, Conservative Party support levels have risen from 27% (March 31-April 4) to 32% (April 7-10) and now to 35% (April 14-17) among decided voters.
- Over the same period of time Liberal Party support has slid from 36% to 28%.
- NDP support was stable at 18% this week, compared to 19% in each of the previous two waves of surveying.
- In the week ending April 4th, 34% said they were following the work of the Gomery Commission closely, a number which jumped to 47% one week later and has risen further, to 52%, in the current results.
- Among those following the work of the Commission closely, support for the Conservative Party has risen from 29% to 40% over the three-week period.
- Ontario is the only region where Liberal support does not currently trail support levels of another party. Current results in Ontario show the Liberals and Conservatives in a neck and neck battle. In Quebec, Bloc support is more than 10 points higher than it was five months ago, and fairly stable at 56%.

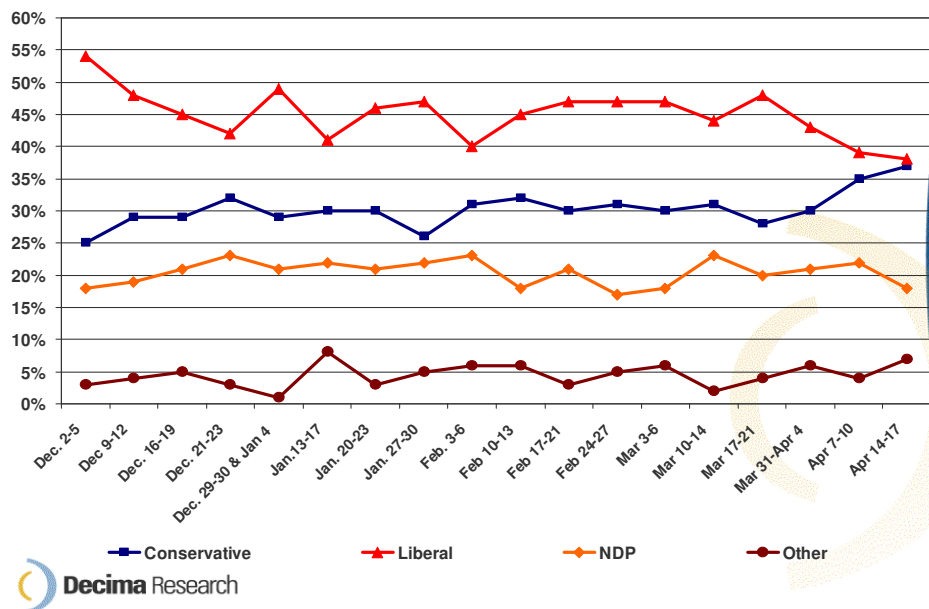
According to Decima Research CEO Bruce Anderson, “There’s no doubt that the revelations at the Gomery Commission continue to eat away at Liberal Party support, and more to the benefit of the Conservative Party than the NDP, although the potential gains for the Bloc are also obvious, and have been for some time.”

All data was collected through the Decima teleVox, a national omnibus telephone survey conducted on weekly basis. Each week, teleVox surveys just over 1,000 adult Canadians, providing national results accurate to within +/-3.1% at the 95% confidence interval. The dates of the data collection for the three studies cited are March 31-April 4, April 7-10, and April 14-17.

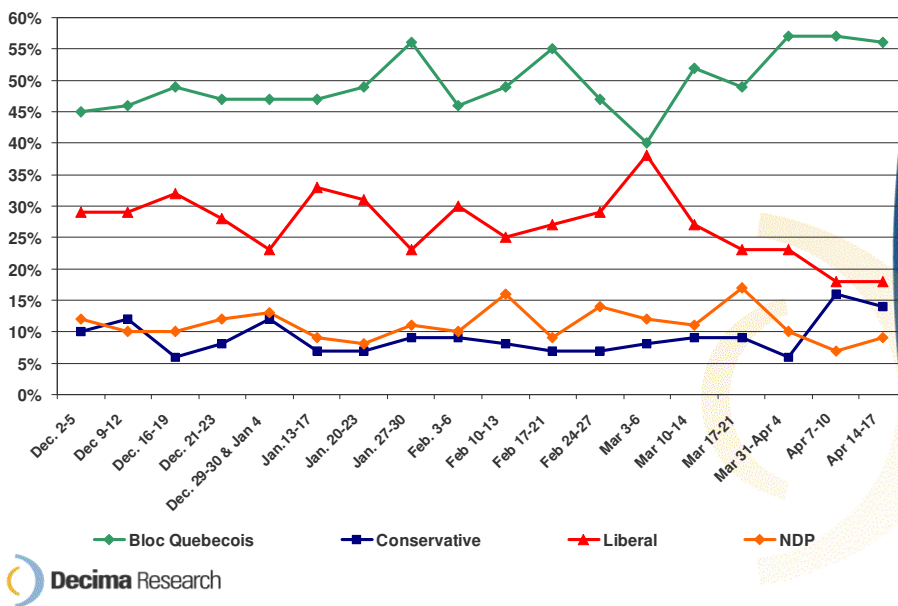
Vote Intention: National



Vote Intention: Ontario



Vote Intention: Quebec



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