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Conservatives enter 2008 with solid lead; NDP Struggling

A new Canadian Press Harris/Decima survey shows the Conservatives have recovered ground following a challenging December.

- In the latest week, the Conservatives stand at 37% compared to 30% for the Liberals, 13% for the NDP, 10% for the BQ and 9% for the Green Party. This represents a recovery of 7 points for the Conservatives, from the 30% recorded in mid December, just after House Ethics Committee hearings into the Mulroney-Schreiber relationship.
- In **Quebec** the latest week's results find the BQ with 41%, the Conservatives 23%, the Liberals 19%, the Green Party 9%, and the NDP with 8%. In **Ontario**, latest results show the Liberals with 40%, the Conservatives 37%, the NDP 12%, and the Green Party 10%.
- In **BC**, *three week averages* show the Conservatives with 41% lead the Liberals with 28%, the NDP with 19% and the Green Party at 11%. In **Atlantic** Canada, *three-week averages* show Liberals with 34%, the Conservatives at 30%, the NDP 25%, and Greens 6%. (*Our polling took a two week break, accordingly the three weeks being averaged are from Dec 6-17 2007 and Jan 3-6 2008.*)

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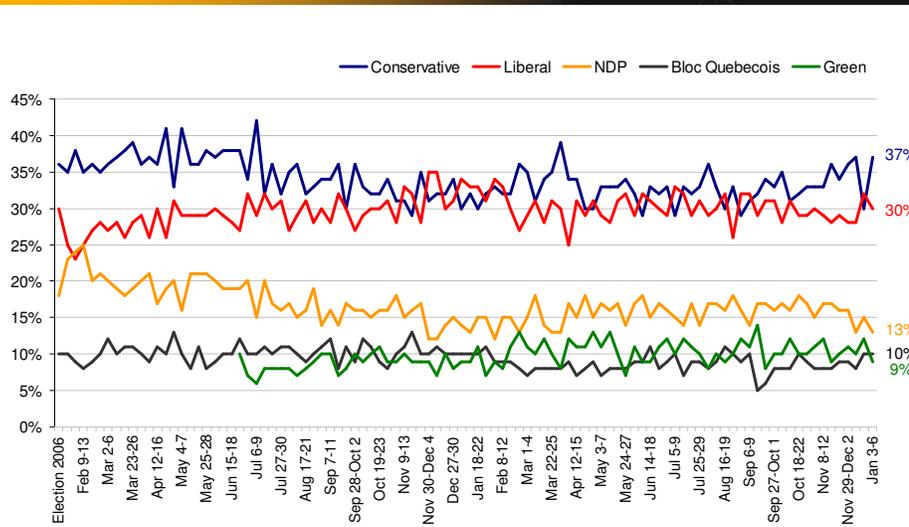
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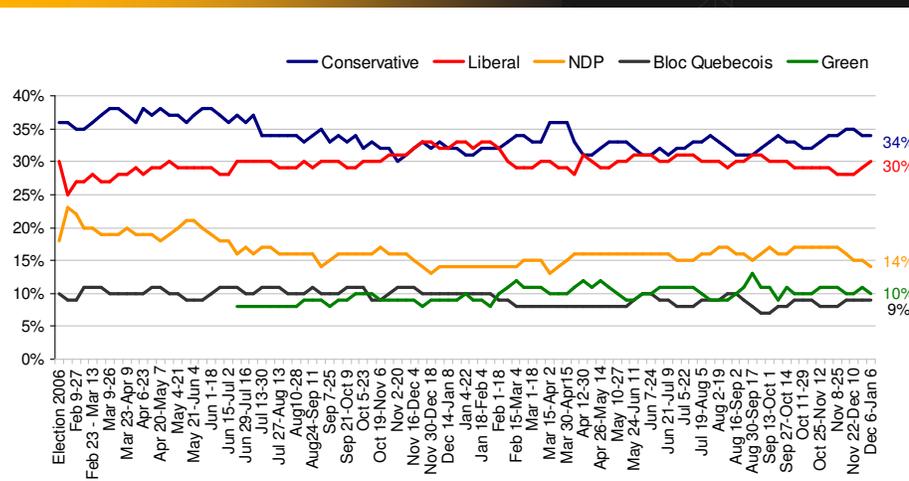
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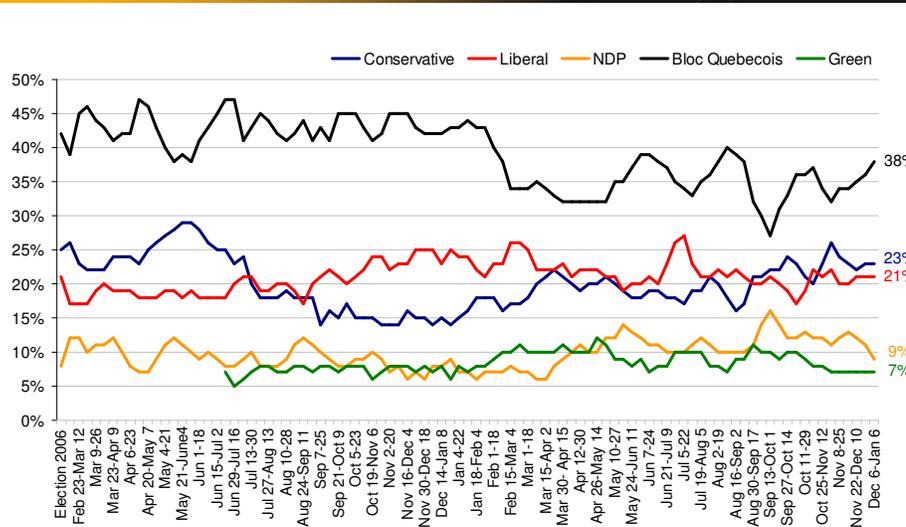
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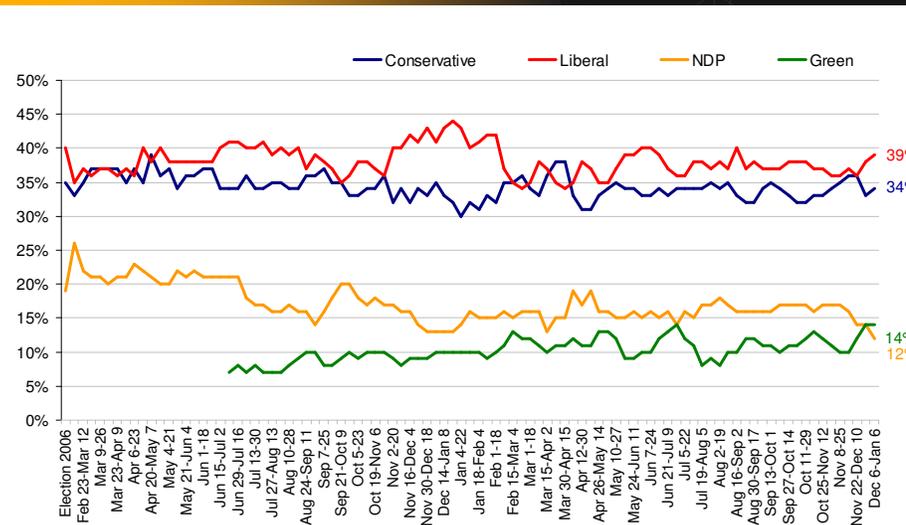
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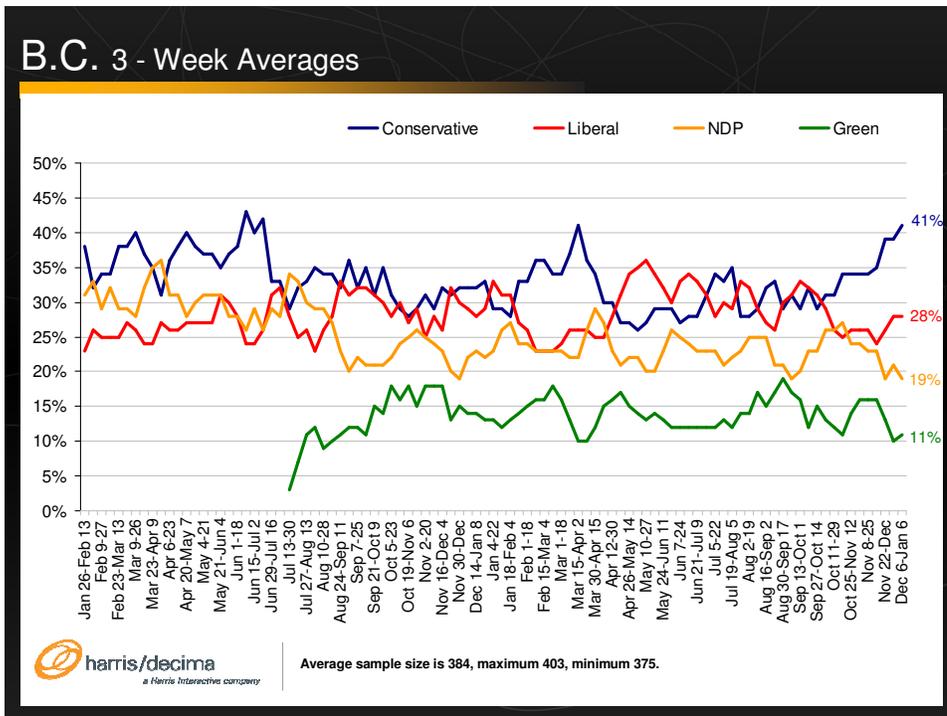
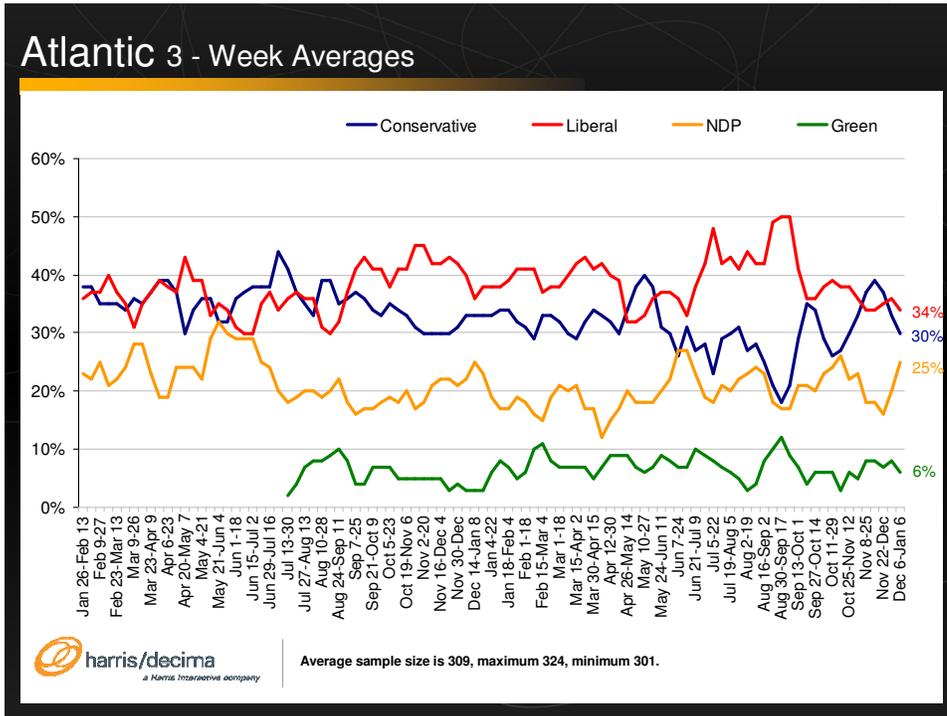


Quebec 3 - Week Averages



Ontario 3 - Week Averages





According to Harris/Decima President Bruce Anderson "We anticipated that the last results we gathered in mid-December might be more reflective of short term reactions to a couple of fairly high profile events that were controversial for the government, and that after the House rose for a break, Conservative support might revert to the mid 30's range we were

seeing for some time. The other story emerging in our findings is the difficulty facing the NDP, which is struggling in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. In Ontario, the Green Party is edging ahead of the NDP, something especially evident in the GTA.”

Each week, Harris/Decima interviews just over 1000 Canadians through teleVox, the company’s national omnibus survey. These data were gathered January 3rd thru 6th, 2008. The poll’s margin of error is 3.1%, 19 times out of 20.