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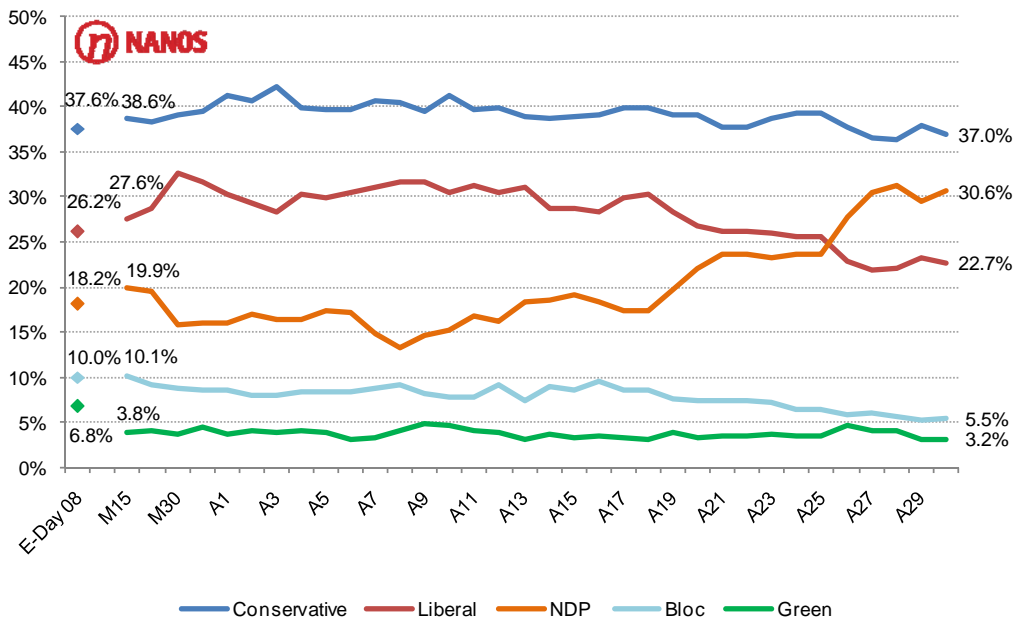
## Nightly Tracking



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## Tories ahead by 6 points

**QUESTION:** For those parties you would consider voting for federally, could you please rank your top two current local preferences? (Committed voters only - First Preference)  
- Three Day Rolling Average



### REGIONAL BALLOT

Committed Voters (%)**	Canada		Atlantic Canada*		Quebec		Ontario		Prairies		British Columbia	
	April 29	April 30	April 29	April 30	April 29	April 30	April 29	April 30	April 29	April 30	April 29	April 30
	(n=1048)	(n=1068)	(n=107)	(n=115)	(n=245)	(n=247)	(n=322)	(n=324)	(n=209)	(n=215)	(n=165)	(n=167)
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative	38.0	37.0	34.5	32.9	16.3	16.7	35.3	36.2	65.1	60.5	43.5	41.2
NDP	29.6	30.6	23.0	29.1	39.0	37.4	28.5	27.4	19.4	25.0	34.7	34.9
Liberal	23.3	22.7	37.8	34.4	19.1	18.1	31.7	31.1	13.3	12.9	16.2	17.9
BQ	5.2	5.5	-	-	22.2	23.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green	3.1	3.2	2.0	3.6	1.9	1.3	3.8	4.4	2.2	1.7	5.5	5.7
Margin of error	±3.0	±3.0	±9.6	±9.3	±6.3	±6.3	±5.5	±5.5	±6.9	±6.8	±7.7	±7.7
Undecided	12.7	11.0	10.6	4.4	18.4	17.7	10.7	10.0	12.8	10.4	8.4	7.3

\* Note: Small sample size

\*\* Note: Percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding or support for OTHER parties

\*\*\* Note: M# denotes the day the poll was completed - for example M29 is the 3-day rolling average for the poll completed on March 27, 28 and 29

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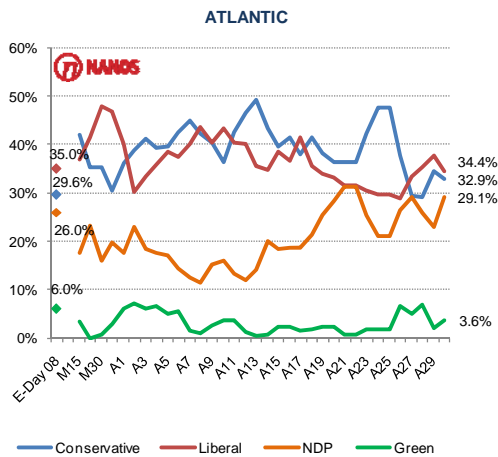
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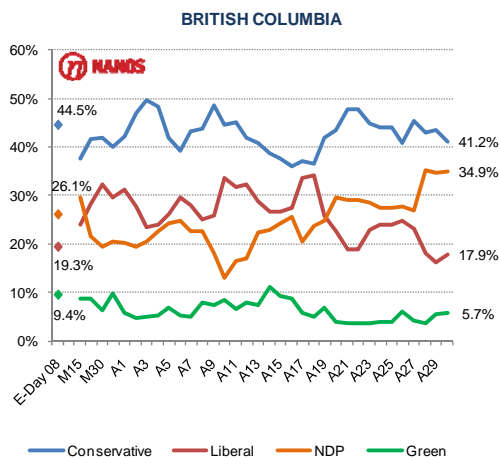
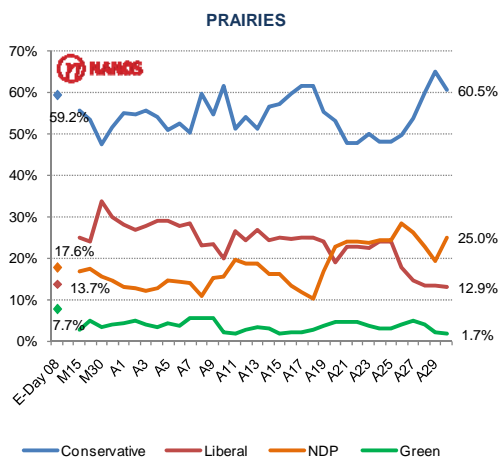
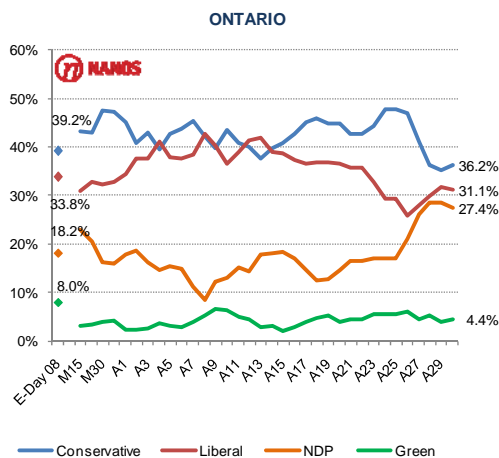
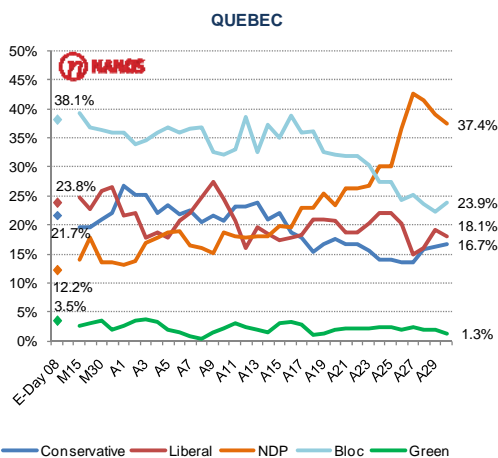
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### Tories lead in Prairies, NDP in Quebec, BC, Ontario & Atlantic tightens up



**BALLOT BY REGION**  
THREE DAY ROLLING AVERAGE

Region	Margin of Error (19 times out of 20)
Atlantic	±9.3
Quebec	±6.3
Ontario	±5.5
Prairies	±6.8
British Columbia	±7.7



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THE GLOBE AND MAIL

## Nanos Methodology

### CTV News/Globe/Nanos Poll Questions

#### AM Release – Ballot and Vote Driver

1. If a FEDERAL election were held today, could you please rank your top two current local voting preferences? (committed voters only – first preference)
2. Which of the following factors are most important to you today in influencing your vote? [ROTATE]

#### PM Release – Top Issue and Leadership Index

3. What is your most important NATIONAL issue of concern? [Unprompted]

As you may know, [ROTATE all five federal leaders with name and party]. Which of the federal leaders would you best describe as:

4. The most trustworthy
5. The most competent
6. Has the best vision for Canada's future

### Methodology

A national random telephone survey is conducted nightly by Nanos Research throughout the campaign. Each evening a new group of 400 eligible voters are interviewed. The daily tracking figures are based on a three-day rolling sample comprised of 1,200 interviews. To update the tracking a new day of interviewing is added and the oldest day dropped. The margin of error for a survey of 1,200 respondents is  $\pm 2.8\%$ , 19 times out of 20.

The respondent sample is stratified geographically and by gender. The data may be weighted by age according to data from the 2006 Canadian Census administered by Statistics Canada. Percentages reported may not add up to 100 due to rounding. The research has been registered with the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association of which Nanos is a member.

### Leadership Index Score Methodology

Every day, Nanos will report on a daily leadership index score. The leadership index score is a summation of the three leadership indicators (trust, competence, vision). For example, on March 15<sup>th</sup> (M15), Elizabeth May received a Leadership Index Score of 11.6 because 4.3% of Canadians identified Elizabeth May as the most trustworthy leader, 3.4% said she was the most competent and 3.9% said she had the best vision for Canada.

The Leadership Index score will be tracked daily with updated results from the previous night of polling. Unlike the other measures tracked by Nanos, the leadership index score will not be based on a three-day rolling sample. It will be reported from results from the evening before. This will allow Nanos to measure the performance of the federal party leaders and the key factors driving performance on a daily basis.

### About Nanos

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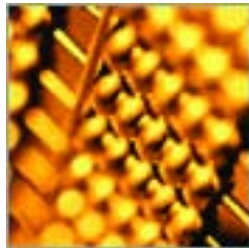
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- Strategy Retainer
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- Telephone Surveys
- Online Surveys
- eConsultation Polling and Online Dialogue
- Focus Groups
- Elite in-depth interviews
- Mystery Shopping
- Management Consulting



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