# Ontario Ballot





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### Ontario Liberals and PCs still close

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Between September 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Nanos Research conducted a random telephone survey of 900 Ontarians 18 years and older.

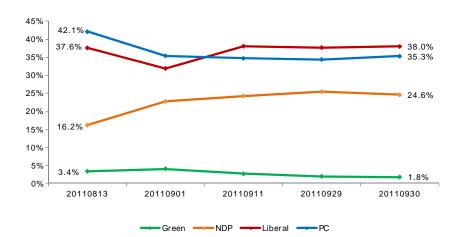
A province-wide random telephone survey is conducted nightly by Nanos Research. Each evening a new group of 300 eligible voters are interviewed. The daily tracking figures are based on a three-day rolling sample comprised of 900 interviews. To update the tracking a new day of interviewing is added and the oldest day dropped. The margin of error for a survey of 900 respondents is ±3.3%, 19 times out of 20.

For the three day tracking conducted by Nanos, 12.4% of Ontarians were undecided.

Data may be weighted using the latest Statistics Canada information to be representative of Ontarians.

Results for September 29<sup>th</sup> are from a random telephone survey of 600 Ontarians (300 voters each night), of which 415 were decided voters. A random telephone survey of 529 Ontarians is accurate plus or minus 4.3 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

Any use of this research data should identify it as a "CTV News/Globe and Mail/CP24/Nanos Poll." **QUESTION:** For those parties you would consider voting for PROVINCIALLY, could you please rank your top two current <u>local</u> preferences? (Decided voters only- First Preference)



#### **BALLOT**

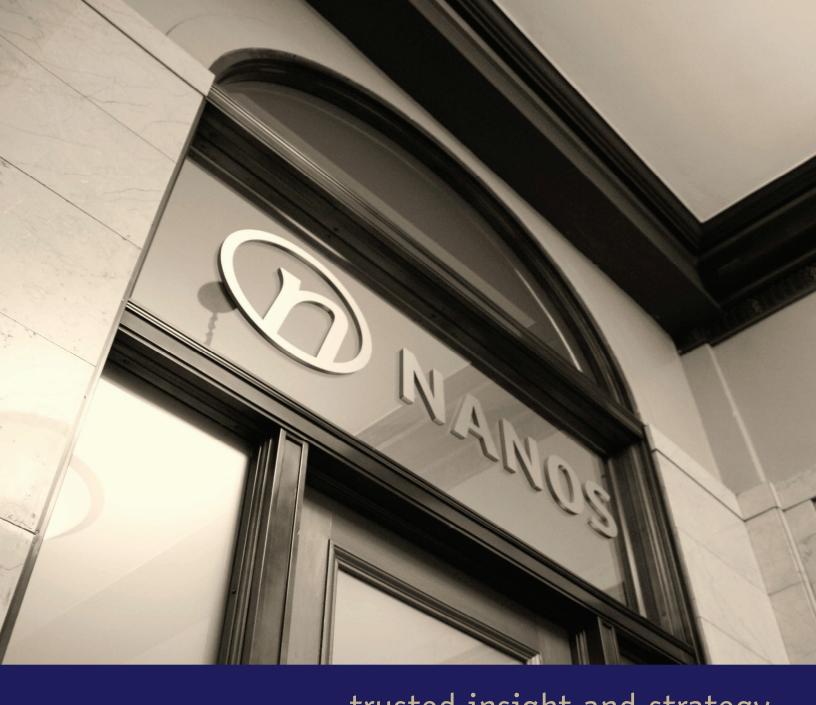
Decided Voters* (Margin of error and number of interviews)	PCs		Liberal Party		NDP	
	Sep 29	Sep 30	Sep 29	Sep 30	Sep 29	Sep 30
	%		%		%	
Ontario (±3.5, n=788)	34.4	35.3	37.7	38.0	25.5	24.6
Male (±5.0, n=395)	40.5	40.6	33.3	35.8	24.6	21.8
Female (±5.0, n=393)	28.4	30.0	42.1	40.2	26.4	27.4
Age 18-29 (±8.7, n=130)	31.1	32.6	27.7	29.9	39.2	35.9
Age 30-49 (±9.3, n=115)	30.3	29.4	40.8	42.4	25.0	25.0
Age 40-49 (±7.2, n=191)	27.3	30.2	41.0	39.4	27.4	27.1
Age 50-59 (±8.0, n=155)	38.1	37.4	39.9	41.6	21.1	20.5
Age 60+ (±7.1, n=197)	44.6	44.0	38.9	36.6	16.0	17.6

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages may not add up to 100 due to rounding or other party mentions

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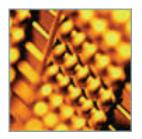


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