

Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking (period ending December 20<sup>th</sup> , 2013)

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### **Weekly Nanos Party Power Index**



### Analysis (Released 12/25/2013)

The Liberals have a brand strength advantage (57 points) over the Conservatives (53 points), the New Democrats (47 points) and the Green Party (32 points) in the latest weekly Nanos Power Party Index tracking.

Although the Conservatives registered a second drop in their Nanos Party Power Index in the most recent weekly tracking the Liberals also registered a drop. There was negative pressure on the Liberal brand in British Columbia, Ontario, Quebec and among men while the Tory brand power slide among those under 30 and over 60 years of age.

There has been no significant weekly change in who Canadians think would make the best Prime Minister with Trudeau at 32 percent followed by Harper at 30 percent and Mulcair at 16 percent.

The proportion of Liberal accessible voters remained steady at 50 percent of Canadians. This compares to the proportion of Canadians that would consider voting Conservative (42 percent) or for the New Democrats (41 percent)



## About the Index



### Weekly Nanos Party Power Index

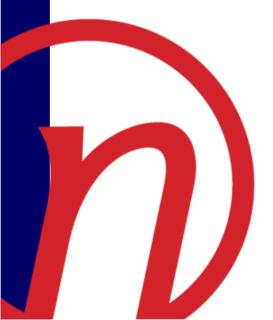
Since voters are not actually able to make a choice between elections, it is interesting to think about party strength and support more broadly. The Nanos Party Power Index fills this need by incorporating more information than just current vote preference.

The Nanos Party Power Index is a weekly composite measurement of federal party brands based on four questions about the federal parties and their leadership. The questions include:

- a ballot question that captures the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> vote preferences;
- a measure of whether the respondent would consider voting for the party;
- the 1st and 2nd preferences for Prime Minister of the current federal leaders; and,
- whether the respondent believes each current leader has the quality to be a good leader.

The views of 1,000 respondents are compiled into a diffusion brand index for each party that goes from 0 to 100, where 0 means that the party has no brand strength and 100 means it has maximum brand strength. A score above 50 is an indication of brand strength for the party and its leader at this time.

The important factors in this weekly tracking include the direction of the brand strength or weakness and also the brand strength of one federal party relative to another.





The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for Canada is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities.

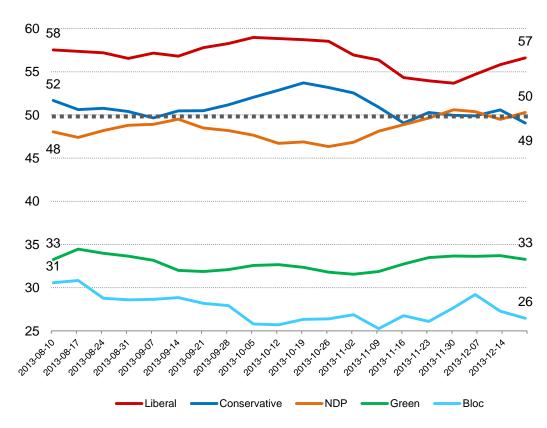
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Party Power Index Tracking by Region



The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for BC is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for regional subsamples.

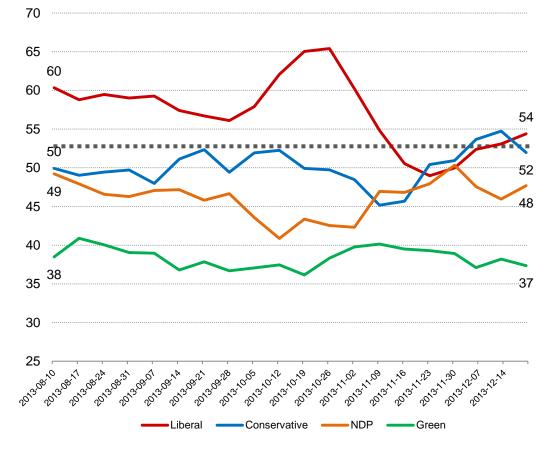
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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the Prairies is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for regional subsamples.

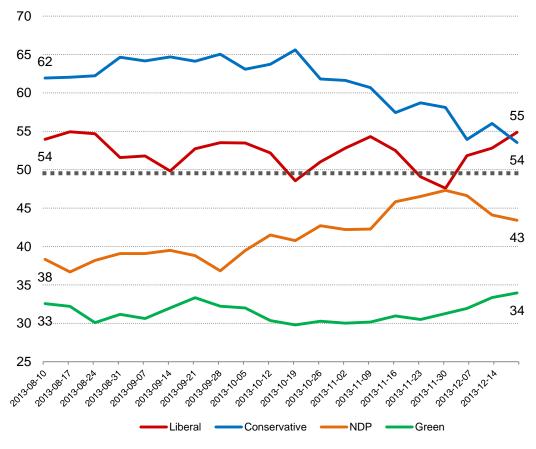
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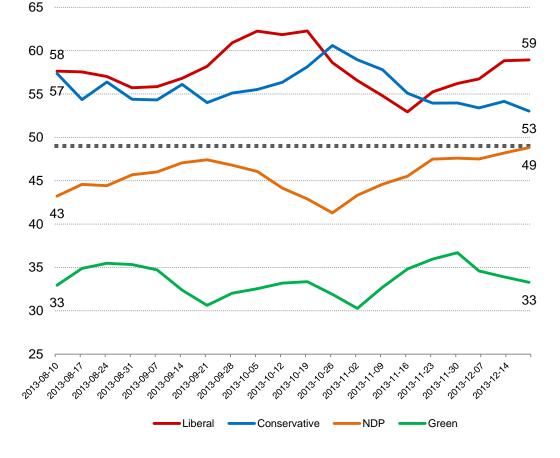
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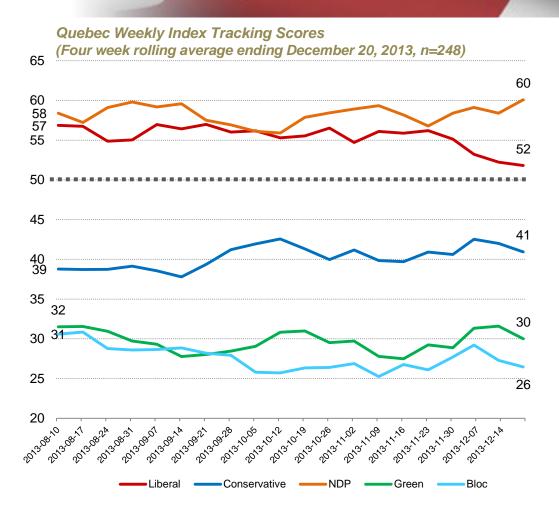
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for Quebec is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for regional subsamples.

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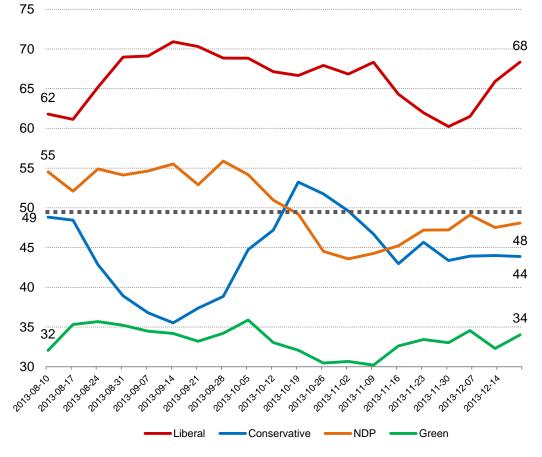
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Party Power Index Tracking by Age



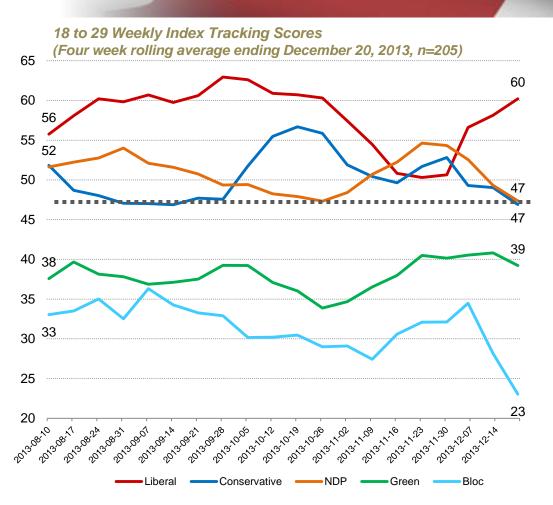
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 18 to 29 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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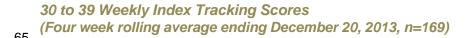
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 30 to 39 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

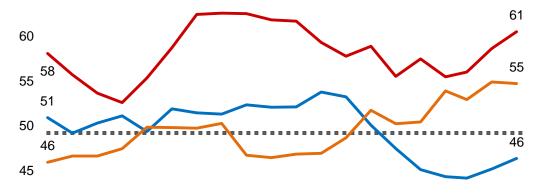
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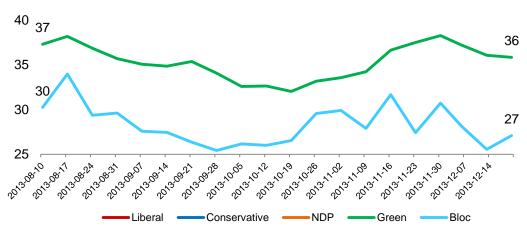
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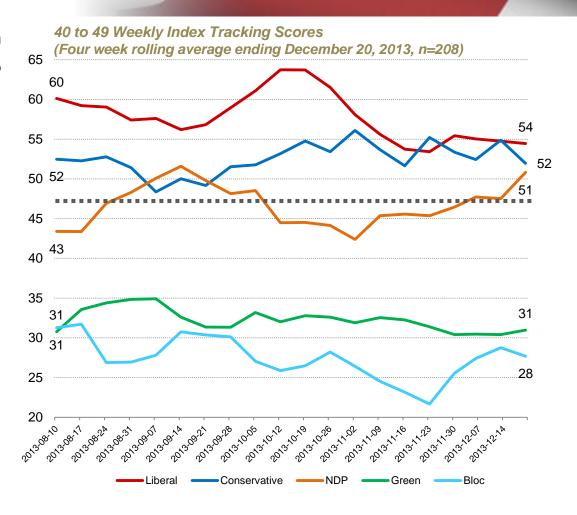
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 40 to 49 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for PM, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 50 to 59 age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

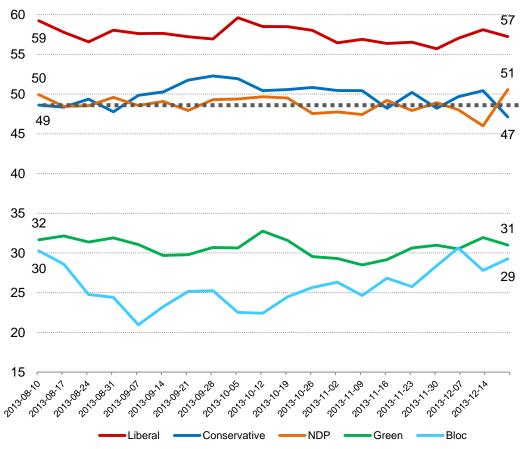
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The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for the 60 plus age group is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for age subsamples.

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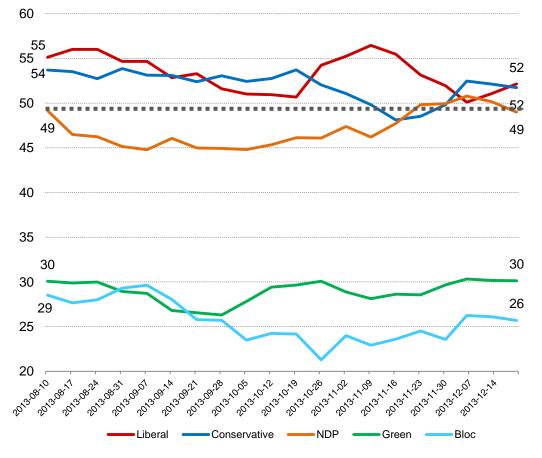
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60 plus Weekly Index Tracking Scores (Four week rolling average ending December 20, 2013, n=239)







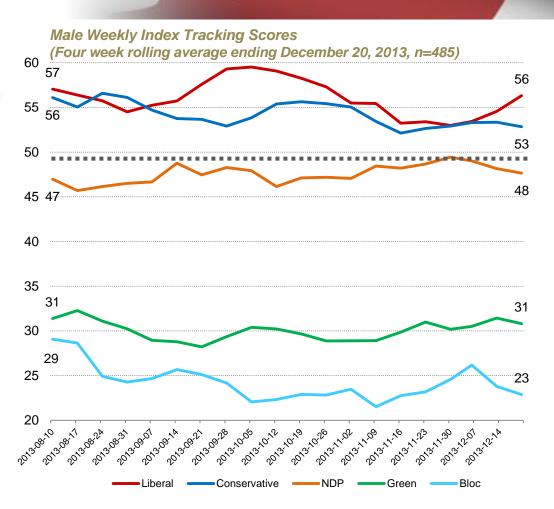
The Nanos Party Power Index Tracking for males is based on a composite of the following public opinion measures: the national ballot, which party individuals would consider voting for, the top two choices for Prime Minister, and whether each party leader has good leadership qualities. There are wider margins of accuracy for gender subsamples.

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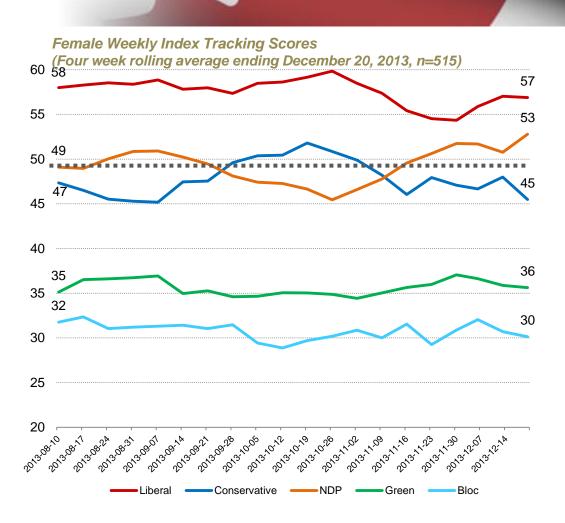
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# Consider Conservative NANOS

**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Conservative Party

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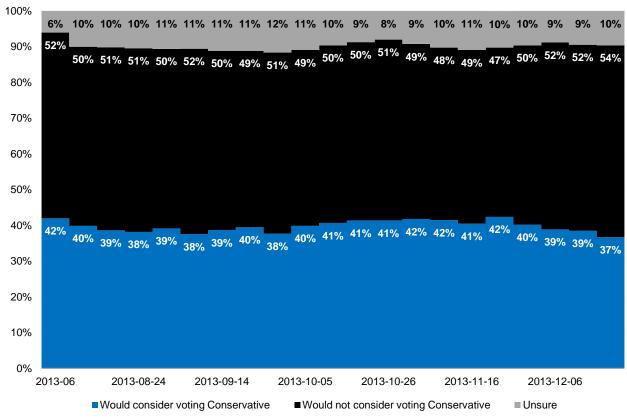
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#### National – Weekly Tracking (Four week rolling average ending December 20, 2013, n=1,000)



## Consider NDP



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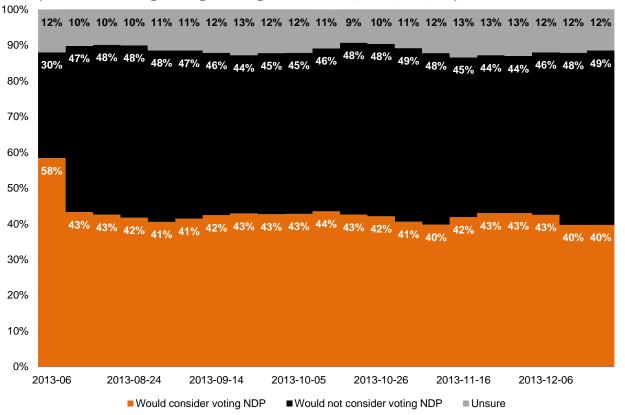
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## Consider Liberal



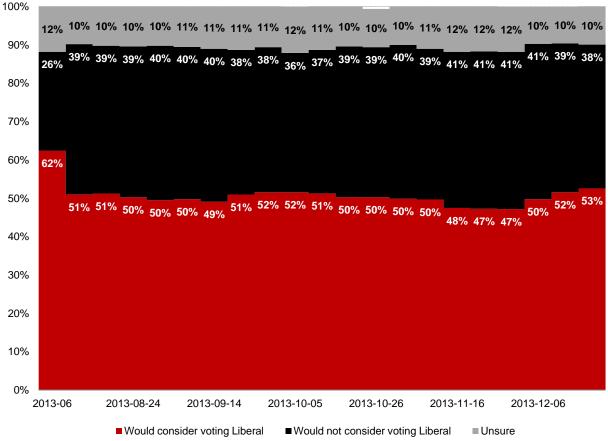
**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Liberal Party

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## Consider Bloc



**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Bloc Québécois

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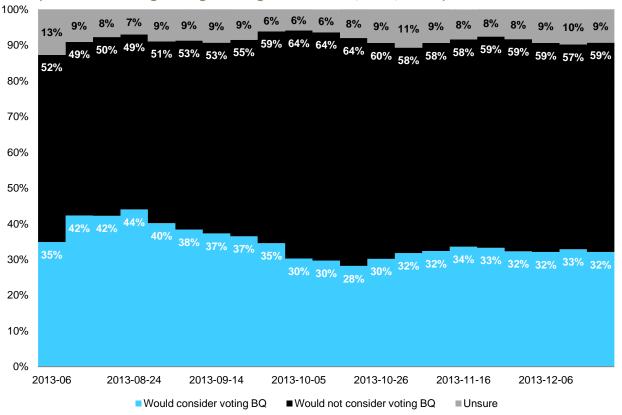
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#### Quebec only – Weekly Tracking (Four week rolling average ending December 20, 2013, n=247)



## Consider Green



**Question:** For each of the following federal political parties, please tell me if you would consider or not consider voting for it. [RANDOMIZE] Green Party

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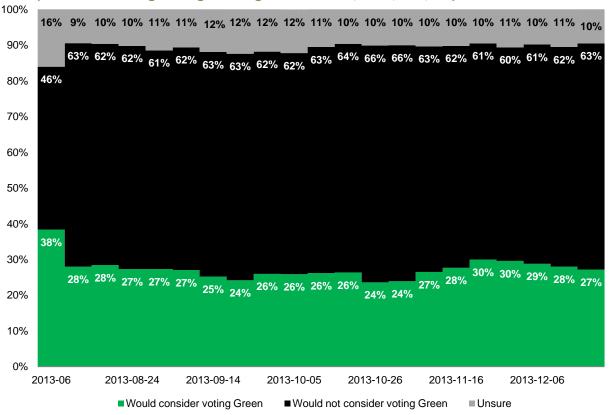
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#### National – Weekly Tracking (Four week rolling average ending December 20, 2013, n=1,000)





National Leadership Tracking

## **Prime Minister**

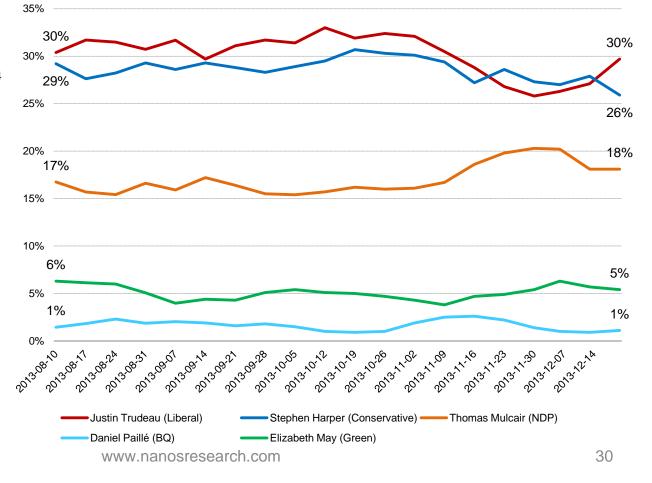


Question: Of the current federal political party leaders, could you please rank your top two current local preferences for Prime Minister? [ROTATE PARTY LEADERS]

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# Harper



**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Stephen Harper

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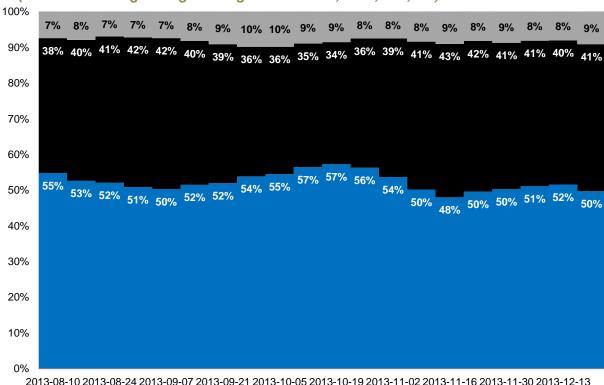
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■ Has qualities of a good leader ■ Does not have qualities of a good leader ■Unsure

### Mulcair



Question: For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Thomas Mulcair

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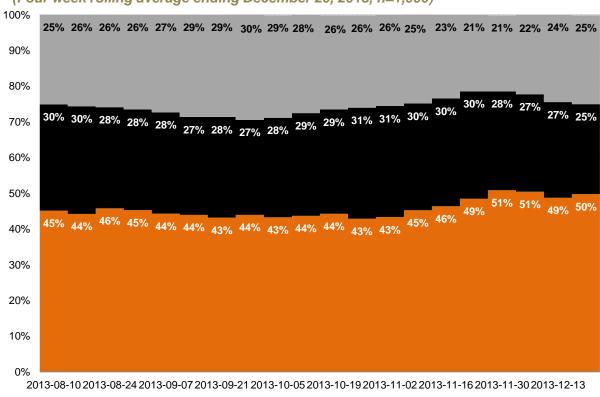
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■ Does not have qualities of a good leader

■ Has qualities of a good leader

■Unsure

### Trudeau



Question: For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Justin Trudeau

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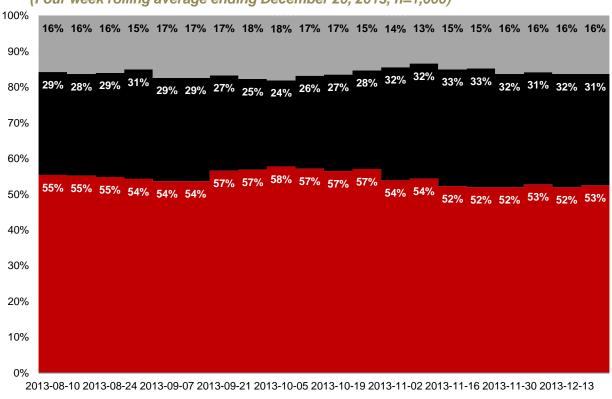
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■ Does not have qualities of a good leader

■ Has qualities of a good leader

Unsure

## Paillé



**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Daniel Paillé

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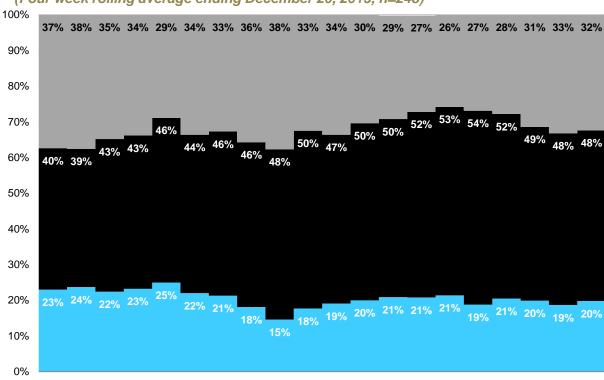
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■ Has qualities of a good leader
■ Does not have qualities of a good leader
■ Unsure

# May



**Question:** For each of the following federal political party leaders, do you think they have or do not have the qualities to be a good political leader? [RANDOMIZE] Elizabeth May

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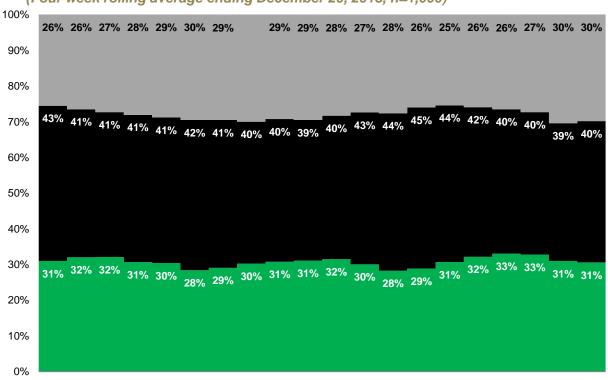
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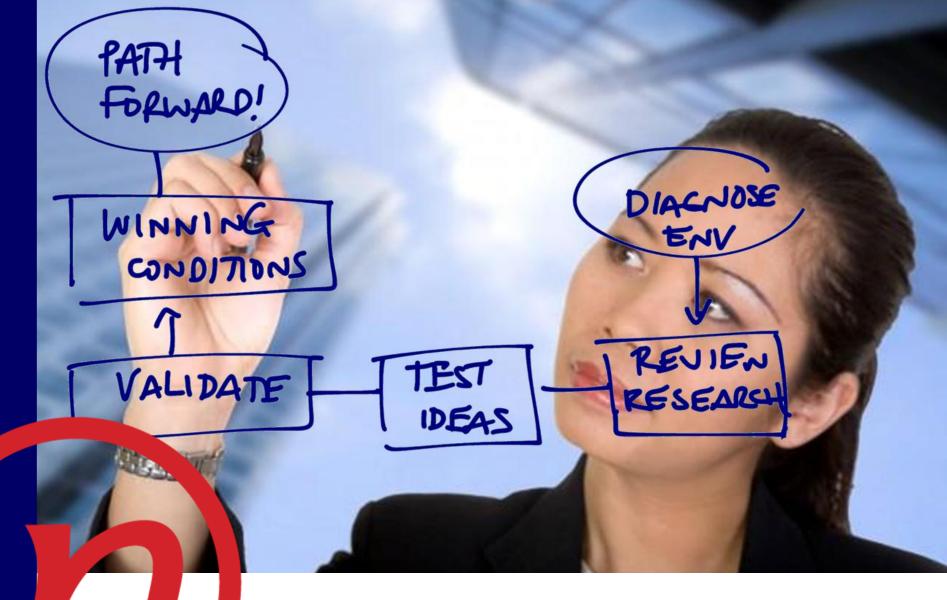


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■ Has qualities of a good leader ■ Does not have qualities of a good leader ■ Unsure



### Methodology



### Survey Methodology

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The Weekly Nanos Party Power Index Tracking is produced by the Nanos Research Corporation, headquartered in Canada, which operates in Canada and the United States. The data is based on random telephone interviews with 1,000 Canadians (land- and cell-lines), using a four week rolling average of 250 respondents each week, 18 years of age and over. The random sample of 1,000 respondents may be weighted using the latest census information for Canada. The interviews are compiled into a four week rolling average of 1,000 interviews, where each week the oldest group of 250 interviews is dropped and a new group of 250 interviews is added. The views of 1,000 respondents are compiled into a diffusion brand index for each party that goes from 0 to 100, where 0 means that the party has no brand strength and 100 means it has maximum brand strength. A score above 50 is an indication of brand strength for the party and its leader at this time.

The current report is based on a four week rolling average of Canadian opinion ending December 20, 2013.

A random telephone survey of 1,000 Canadians is accurate 3.1 percentage points, plus or minus, 19 times out of 20.





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