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## Grits remain on top - advantage over Tories increases

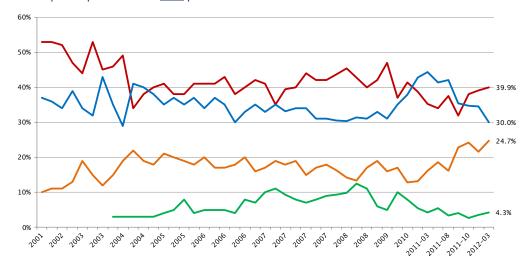
### **METHODOLOGY**

Between March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Nanos Research conducted a random telephone survey of 500 Ontarians 18 years and older. A random telephone survey of 500 Ontarians is accurate plus or minus 4.4 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

For 428 decided voters, the margin of error is accurate plus or minus 4.8 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.

Any use of this research data should identify it as a "Nanos Poll"

QUESTION: For those parties you would consider voting for PROVINCIALLY, could you please rank your top two current <u>local</u> preferences?



#### ——Green ——NDP ——Liberal ——PC

### **BALLOT**

Decided Voters (Margin of Error) *	2011-08	Sept. 1st, 2011	Sept. 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	2011-11	2012-03
	(n=830)	(n=917)	(n=415)	(n=430)	(n=428)
	%	%	%	%	%
Liberal Party	37.6	31.9	38.1	39.1	39.9
Progressive Conservative Party	42.1	35.4	34.7	34.5	30.0
NDP	16.2	22.8	24.3	21.6	24.7
Green Party	3.4	4.1	2.7	3.5	4.3
Margin of Error	±3.4	±3.3	±4.9	±4.8	±4.8
Undecided	16.9	8.8	18.0	14.0	14.5

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

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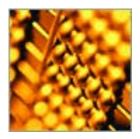


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