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More Now Disapprove of Trudeau Than Approve

Liberals and Conservatives tied, but Liberals still edge out a minority

Toronto, April 26th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ amongst 1479 Canadian voters, amongst those decided and leaning, the Liberals (35%) and the Conservatives (35%) are tied. The NDP is third (17%), with the Green Party (7%) and the BQ (5%) following behind. (1%) say they support another party.

Liberal support is down one point since March (36%: March 24th), Conservative support is down three points (38%: March 24th), NDP support is up two points (15%: March 24th), Green Party support has almost doubled (4%: March 24th), and BQ support is down one point (5%).

Liberal minority if election held today

If an election were held today, the Conservatives would win 137 seats, the Liberals 152, the NDP 36, the BQ 12, and 1 for the Green.

The drop in Conservative support since March is matched by a commensurate drop in potential seats, which sees their total reduced by 33, with the BQ down 1. The Liberals see an increase of 22, the NDP an increase of 10, with Green unchanged at 1.

Trudeau sees a negative net favourable score

Trudeau's disapproval (47%) now exceeds his approval (42%), a net favourable score (approve minus disapprove) of -5, which is a stark contrast from six months ago when his score was positively in double digits. (10%) say they don't know whether they approve or disapprove.

Rona Ambrose sees an approval of (32%) and a disapproval (23%), showing a net favourable score of +9. Almost half of respondents say they do not (45%) whether to approve or disapprove.

Tom Mulcair sees an approval of (32%) but his disapproval is higher than that of Ambrose (29%), but his net favourable is still positive at +3. Almost 4-in-10 (39%) say they do not know whether to approve or disapprove.

Despite his negative favourable, Trudeau still seen as best PM

Almost a third see Justin Trudeau (32%) as the best PM. Only (12%) see Rona Ambrose, and (10%) see Tom Mulcair as the best candidate for PM.

None of these is the top second choice (22%), followed by do not know (15%).

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"Justin Trudeau's level of approval should be of concern to Liberals across the country, as the once irrepressibly popular Prime Minister now sees his disapproval exceed his approval. Perhaps it's the aftermath of an unpopular budget, or just a general lack of interest that comes with the middle of a mandate, but, whatever the cause, Trudeau doesn't seem to be connecting with Canadians right now," said Dr. Lorne Bozinoff, President of Forum Research.



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Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 1479 randomly selected Canadian Voters. The poll was conducted April 21-24, 2017.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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Federal Party Preference Trending

[Decided/Leaning]

%	Sample	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other
April 21 st -24 th , 2017	1479	35	35	17	7	5	1
Mar 22 nd - 23 rd , 2017	1029	38	36	15	4	6	0
Feb. 24 th - 26 th , 2017	1340	35	39	15	4	7	1
Jan. 19 th -21 st , 2017	1332	36	42	12	5	4	1
Dec. 6 th -8 th , 2016	1304	34	42	12	6	5	1
November 9 th -10 th , 2016	1474	28	51	11	5	4	1
October 11 th -12 th	1384	30	49	12	4	5	1
September 20-21 st , 2016	1326	34	47	9	3	6	0
September 7 th , 2016	1370	30	48	11	4	5	0
August 6 th , 2016	1345	31	50	10	4	4	1
July 6 th , 2016	1429	28	52	11	3	5	1
June 7 th , 2016	2271	32	49	10	4	4	1
April 4 th -5 th , 2016	1455	28	51	12	3	6	1
March 15 th , 2016	1567	34	46	12	3	4	1
Feb. 16 th -17 th , 2016	1406	32	49	10	5	3	1
Dec. 6 th -8 th , 2015	1369	32	46	13	4	4	1
November 17 th , 2015	909	37	45	10	3	4	1
Nov. 4 th -7 th , 2015	1256	25	55	12	3	4	1
Election: Oct. 19 th , 2015		32	40	20	3	5	0
October 18 th , 2015	1373	30	40	20	3	6	1
Oct. 13 th -14 th , 2015	1438	31	37	24	2	6	1
Oct. 9 th , 2015	1427	31	37	23	3	5	1
Oct 5 th -6 th , 2015	1447	31	35	26	3	4	1
Sept. 28-29 th , 2015	1449	34	27	28	5	5	1
Sept. 21-23 rd , 2015	1557	31	31	28	4	4	1
Sept. 18 th , 2015	922	33	29	29	4	4	1
Sept. 14-15 th , 2015	1402	32	28	30	6	4	1
Sept. 9-10 th , 2015	1308	28	29	36	3	3	1
August 30-Sept. 1 st , 2015	1384	24	32	36	4	4	1
August 23-24 th , 2015	1440	23	30	40	3	3	1
August 17-19 th , 2015	1473	29	28	34	4	4	1
August 10-11 th , 2015	1392	28	27	34	4	6	1
August 2 nd , 2015	1399	28	25	39	3	5	1
July 29 th , 2015	1397	33	25	33	4	4	1
July 21 st , 2015	1208	28	29	34	4	5	1
July 14 th , 2015	1251	27	27	34	5	7	1
July 8 th , 2015	1200	32	26	32	3	5	1



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Seat Distribution Projection Trending

%	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other
April 21 st -24 th , 2017	137	152	36	1	12	0
Mar 22 nd – 23 rd , 2017	170	128	26	1	13	0
February 24 th – 26 th , 2017	120	174	20	1	23	0
January 19 th – 21 st , 2017	131	187	15	1	4	0
Dec. 6 th -8 th , 2016	135	180	18	1	4	0
November 9 th -10 th , 2016	72	257	8	1	0	0
October 11 th -12 th	83	240	14	1	0	0
September 20-21 st , 2016	111	219	7	1	0	0
September 7 th , 2016	87	238	8	1	4	0
August 6 th , 2016	81	246	10	1	0	0
July 6 th , 2016	55	278	5	0	0	0
June 7 th , 2016	98	230	9	1	0	0
April 4 th -5 th , 2016	74	256	5	1	2	0
March 15 th , 2016	111	215	11	1	0	0
February 16 th -17 th , 2016	91	240	6	1	0	0
December 6 th -8 th , 2015	99	224	14	1	0	0
November 17 th , 2015	108	222	6	0	2	0
November 4 th -7 th , 2015	57	276	5	0	0	0
Election: October 19 th , 2015	99	184	44	1	10	0
October 18 th , 2015	109	171	46	1	11	0
Oct. 13 th -14 th , 2015	114	127	77	1	19	0
October 9 th , 2015	116	145	69	1	7	0
October 5 th -6 th , 2015	122	120	94	1	1	0
September 28-29 th , 2015	151	76	104	1	6	0
September 21-23 rd , 2015	125	107	104	1	1	0
September 18 th , 2015	145	97	95	1	0	0
September 14-15 th , 2015	138	86	113	1	0	0
September 9-10 th , 2015	113	85	139	1	0	0
August 30-September 1 st , 2015	73	123	141	1	0	0
August 23-24 th , 2015	87	76	174	1	0	0
August 17-19 th , 2015	123	79	133	1	2	0
August 10-11 th , 2015	120	89	125	1	3	0
August 2 nd , 2015	118	58	160	1	1	0
July 29 th , 2015	156	58	122	1	1	0
July 21 st , 2015	121	78	134	1	4	0
July 14 th , 2015	107	79	132	1	19	0
July 8 th , 2015	155	59	120	1	2	1
June 29 th , 2015	104	106	119	1	8	0
June 23 rd , 2015	116	65	149	1	3	0
June 16 th , 2015	112	86	120	1	18	1
June 5 th , 2015	151	101	83	1	1	1
May 14 th , 2015	131	95	111	1	0	0



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Ballot intention

If a federal election were held today, which party are you most likely to vote for? + Even though you may not have made up your mind, which party are you leaning towards at this time?

Decided and leaning

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1372	258	187	218	296	413	747	601
Conservative	35	32	42	34	35	33	40	29
Liberal	35	31	28	37	35	42	31	40
New Democratic	17	22	17	16	16	14	16	18
Green	7	11	7	7	5	5	6	7
Bloc Quebecois	5	4	5	5	8	6	5	5
Other	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1372	157	223	229	171	125	226
Conservative	35	17	33	37	31	39	40
Liberal	35	33	33	33	35	35	41
New Democratic	17	25	19	18	19	17	14
Green	7	11	6	7	8	8	4
Bloc Quebecois	5	11	9	5	6	2	1
Other	1	1	1	1	0	0	1

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	BC
Sample	1372	91	330	497	120	147	187
Conservative	35	31	17	39	42	69	23
Liberal	35	48	36	36	40	16	38
New Democratic	17	8	19	18	11	10	25
Green	7	11	6	6	6	4	13
Bloc Quebecois	5	0	22	0	0	0	0
Other	1	1	1	1	1	1	0



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Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1372	233	345	531	263
Conservative	35	38	39	33	30
Liberal	35	31	28	35	47
New Democratic	17	19	18	19	10
Green	7	4	7	8	8
Bloc Quebecois	5	7	7	4	4
Other	1	1	1	1	1



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Trudeau approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Justin Trudeau is doing as Prime Minister?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1479	277	209	235	324	434	788	662
Approve	42	42	43	39	41	47	38	48
Disapprove	47	47	48	49	50	42	54	40
Don't know	10	10	9	12	10	11	8	12

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1479	173	243	243	182	131	234
Approve	42	44	46	39	42	40	46
Disapprove	47	43	45	48	46	52	49
Don't know	10	13	9	12	12	8	6

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	BC
Sample	1479	99	356	536	129	158	201
Approve	42	43	49	43	37	22	46
Disapprove	47	42	38	46	57	70	44
Don't know	10	15	13	10	7	8	9

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1479	262	379	559	279
Approve	42	33	37	45	52
Disapprove	47	52	51	46	40
Don't know	10	15	12	9	8

Voter Intention

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1479	456	456	230	118	71	41
Approve	42	8	86	41	39	33	21
Disapprove	47	87	5	47	46	60	74
Don't know	10	5	9	12	15	7	5



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Ambrose approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Rona Ambrose (RON-na) is doing as interim leader of the opposition?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1479	277	209	235	324	434	788	662
Approve	32	25	29	34	34	44	39	26
Disapprove	23	23	24	26	23	18	25	21
Don't know	45	52	47	41	43	38	36	54

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1479	173	243	243	182	131	234
Approve	32	29	32	24	30	37	40
Disapprove	23	20	16	27	23	29	27
Don't know	45	52	52	49	47	33	33

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	BC
Sample	1479	99	356	536	129	158	201
Approve	32	30	27	31	37	50	32
Disapprove	23	21	20	25	19	21	26
Don't know	45	49	54	44	43	29	43

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1479	262	379	559	279
Approve	32	30	27	32	40
Disapprove	23	18	25	23	24
Don't know	45	52	48	45	36

Voter Intention

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1479	456	456	230	118	71	41
Approve	32	48	27	26	23	28	28
Disapprove	23	17	24	31	21	31	41
Don't know	45	34	49	43	56	41	31



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Mulcair approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Tom Mulcair is doing as interim leader of the NDP?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1479	277	209	235	324	434	788	662
Approve	32	28	30	32	35	35	33	31
Disapprove	29	27	32	31	26	30	36	23
Don't know	39	44	38	37	38	35	32	47

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1479	173	243	243	182	131	234
Approve	32	28	34	39	33	33	31
Disapprove	29	27	20	28	30	35	36
Don't know	39	44	46	33	37	33	33

Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	BC
Sample	1479	99	356	536	129	158	201
Approve	32	28	46	29	25	21	27
Disapprove	29	24	21	29	32	47	34
Don't know	39	48	33	42	43	32	39

Education

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Sample	1479	262	379	559	279
Approve	32	26	32	33	34
Disapprove	29	24	31	29	34
Don't know	39	50	38	38	32

Voter Intention

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1479	456	456	230	118	71	41
Approve	32	23	31	60	27	45	13
Disapprove	29	40	29	13	29	38	56
Don't know	39	38	41	26	44	17	31



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Best PM

Regardless of which party you plan to vote for, who do you think would make the best Prime Minister?

Age/Gender

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Sample	1479	277	209	235	324	434	788	662
Justin Trudeau	32	31	30	32	31	37	30	35
Rona (RON-nah) Ambrose	12	10	10	14	14	15	16	9
Tom Mulcair	10	10	11	8	9	10	10	9
Elizabeth May	8	8	7	7	7	8	7	8
Rheal Fortin	2	3	3	1	2	2	2	2
None of these	22	22	26	22	22	15	24	19
Don't know	15	16	14	15	16	12	11	19

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1479	173	243	243	182	131	234
Justin Trudeau	32	31	32	32	30	39	36
Rona (RON-nah) Ambrose	12	5	10	10	15	17	15
Tom Mulcair	10	9	10	9	12	12	8
Elizabeth May	8	8	6	8	12	7	7
Rheal Fortin	2	3	3	2	2	1	0
None of these	22	21	21	23	21	16	25
Don't know	15	24	17	15	8	8	8

Region

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Sample	1479	99	356	536	129	158	201
Justin Trudeau	32	35	36	33	23	18	37
Rona (RON-nah) Ambrose	12	11	4	12	15	31	11
Tom Mulcair	10	12	16	6	7	5	12
Elizabeth May	8	13	5	8	8	1	11
Rheal Fortin	2	0	5	2	1	1	1
None of these	22	16	22	23	19	31	14
Don't know	15	13	13	15	27	12	14



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Tom Mulcair	10	6	10	10	10
Elizabeth May	8	4	7	8	10
Rheal Fortin	2	3	3	2	1
None of these	22	24	24	21	18
Don't know	15	23	15	13	11

Voter Intention

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1479	456	456	230	118	71	41
Justin Trudeau	32	5	77	22	21	18	11
Rona (RON-nah) Ambrose	12	35	2	4	3	1	1
Tom Mulcair	10	4	2	34	7	22	3
Elizabeth May	8	3	4	8	39	5	8
Rheal Fortin	2	2	2	1	2	18	2
None of these	22	37	4	15	18	21	65
Don't know	15	16	9	15	11	15	9

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