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Ontario Liberals Tumble Again

NDP to serve as opposition in massive Conservative Government

Toronto, June 16th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1003 Ontario voters, amongst those decided and leaning, more than 4-in-10 (44%) say they would support the Progressive Conservatives. Fewer than a quarter (23%) say they would support the Liberals, with the same proportion (24%) saying they would support the NDP. (7%) say they support the Green Party, and (2%) say they would support another party.

Respondents most likely to support the Progressive Conservatives include those aged 55-64 (50%), males (52%), earning \$60,000-\$80,000 (56%) or \$80,000-\$100,000 (55%), living in Southwestern Ontario (52%), and the least educated (50%) or with some college or university (49%).

Respondents most likely to support the Liberals include those aged 34 or younger (24%), 35-44 (25%), 65+ (25%), earning \$20,000-\$40,000 (30%), living in Toronto (31%), and with a post-graduate degree (34%).

Respondents most likely to support the NDP include those aged 34 or younger (27%), 35-44 (28%), or 45-54 (27%), earning \$20,000-\$40,000 (35%), living in Northeastern Ontario (33%), and with a college/university (27%) or postgraduate (25%) degree.

Conservatives expand majority, Liberals crash

If an election were held today, the Progressive Conservatives would likely secure 87 seats, more than needed for a majority in the 122-seat legislature.

The NDP would form the official opposition with 26 seats. The Liberals would secure 9 seats, one seat more than the minimum needed to form an official party in the Ontario Legislature. The Liberals' drop in support in Toronto and the GTA is largely the contributing factor to their overall projected loss of seats.

Horwath popular; Wynne and Brown, not so much

Kathleen Wynne's approval is (15%), and her disapproval (74%) is almost three-quarters. (11%) do not know whether to approve or disapprove of the Premier's performance. Her net favourable score (approve minus disapprove is -59.)

Patrick Brown's approval is more than a quarter (29%), and his disapproval is just under a third (30%). The majority, (41%), don't know enough about Patrick Brown to offer an opinion. His net favourable score is -1.

Andrew Horwath is still the most popular of the three leaders with an approval of almost four in ten (38%), with disapproval of just over a quarter (27%).

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4-in-10 (36%) say they do not know about Andrea Horwath. Her net favourable score is +11.

Brown best premier, Andrea Horwath just behind

More than a third (36%) believe that Patrick Brown would make the best Premier of Ontario, with Andrew Horwath (20%) well behind. Only (13%) believe Kathleen Wynne would be the best premier. A quarter (23%) say none of the above would make the best premier, with (7%) saying they don't know.

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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 1003 randomly selected Ontario Voters. The poll was conducted June 12-14, 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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Provincial Election Voting Preference Trending

[Decided / Leaning]						
%	Sample	Con	Lib	NDP	Green	Other
June 12-14, 2017	1003	44	23	24	7	2
May 9-10, 2017	1103	41	28	23	6	3
March 28-30, 2017	844	43	19	28	8	2
February 15-16, 2017	1026	44	24	25	6	2
November 21st, 2016	1104	43	24	24	8	2
October 17-18 th , 2016	1078	43	24	23	8	2
September 12-13 th , 2016	1154	45	25	23	6	2
August 15 th , 2016	1097	41	28	23	6	2
July 12 th , 2016	1183	42	35	17	5	2
June 21st, 2016	1173	40	30	21	8	2
May 31 st , 2016	1172	40	30	21	7	2
April 28th, 2016	1157	39	34	21	5	2
March 23rd, 2016	1225	40	30	24	5	2
February 26 th -29 th , 2016	1148	44	27	22	6	2
December 20 th , 2015	1003	34	31	26	7	2
November 2 nd -4 th , 2015	1158	36	30	26	6	2
August 11 th -12 th , 2015	1001	35	26	33	4	2
July 8 th , 2015	678	32	26	35	5	2
May 11 th , 2015	1001	33	24	36	5	2
May 1 st , 2015	912	36	29	24	9	2
March 26 th , 2015	881	34	29	27	8	2
February 28 th , 2015	996	39	32	21	6	2
January 30 th , 2015	1028	36	37	19	6	2
December 20 th , 2014	1058	36	35	20	7	2
November 29 th , 2014	1054	37	37	17	7	2
November 1st, 2014	1104	35	40	19	4	2
October 1st, 2014	1013	34	36	23	6	1
August 20-21st, 2014	1229	32	39	19	8	2
Popular Vote – June7 th , 2014 Provincial Election Results	-	31	39	24	5	2
June 11 th , 2014	1054	35	41	20	3	1
June 5 th , 2014	974	37	39	17	6	1
May 27 th , 2014	882	36	36	20	7	1
May 20 th , 2014	1136	34	41	20	4	1
May 12 th , 2014	996	35	38	21	5	1
May 2-3 rd , 2014	1845	38	33	22	6	1
April 7 th , 2014	928	38	31	23	7	1
Mar 24 th , 2014	908	32	35	25	7	1
Feb. 25 th , 2014	1014	35	32	26	6	1
Jan. 24-25 th , 2014	1222	36	33	26	4	1
Dec. 17-18 th , 2013	1044	38	31	24	5	1
Nov. 26 th , 2013	1126	38	32	23	6	1
Oct. 25 th , 2013	1049	34	31	27	7	1

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Overall Seat Distribution

%	Con	Lib	NDP
June 12-14	87	9	26
May 9-10, 2017	72	25	25
March 28-30, 2017	86	7	29
February 15-16, 2017	84	11	27
November 21st, 2016	70	11	26
October 17-18 th , 2016	72	11	24
September 12-13 th , 2016	75	8	24
August 15th, 2016	69	15	23
July 12 th , 2016	48	44	15
June 21st, 2016	51	36	20
May 31 st , 2016	57	26	24
April 28 th , 2016	53	33	21
March 23rd, 2016	57	26	24
February 26 th -29 th , 2016	67	16	24
December 20 th , 2015	44	35	28
November 2 nd -4 th , 2015	54	19	34
August 11 th -12 th , 2015	54	19	34
July 8 th , 2015	35	27	45
May 11 th , 2015	49	18	40
May 1 st , 2015	48	33	26
March 26 th , 2015	52	23	32
February 28 th , 2015	49	39	19
January 30 th , 2015	34	56	17
December 20th, 2014	37	52	18
November 29 th , 2014	38	52	17
November 1 st . 2014	37	56	14
October 1st, 2014	35	51	21
August 20-21st, 2014	31	61	15
Election – June 12 th , 2014	28	58	21
June 5 th , 2014	39	57	11
May 27 th , 2014	42	50	15
May 20 th , 2014	31	63	13
May 12 th , 2014	26	68	13
May 2-3 rd , 2014	45	49	13
April 7 th , 2014	49	45	13
Mar 24 th , 2014	29	66	12
Feb. 25 th , 2014	48	42	17
Jan. 24-25 th , 2014	47	46	14
Dec. 17-18 th , 2013	43	51	13
Nov. 26 th , 2013	47	44	16
Oct. 25 th , 2013	41	48	18
Oct. 2 nd , 2013	47	44	16
Aug 29 th , 2013	36	53	18
Jul 22 nd , 2013	45	46	16

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Voter Intention

If a provincial 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/leaning]

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	944	134	122	164	212	312	500	432
Progressive Conservative	44	39	37	46	50	46	52	37
Liberal	23	24	25	21	21	25	21	26
New Democratic	24	27	28	27	20	19	17	30
Green	7	9	9	3	7	7	7	6
Another Party	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20- \$40K	\$40- \$60K	\$60- \$80K	\$80- \$100K	\$100- \$250K
Sample	944	85	127	126	116	104	193
Progressive Conservative	44	43	27	39	56	55	45
Liberal	23	17	30	25	20	20	25
New Democratic	24	29	35	30	14	17	22
Green	7	8	7	4	9	8	6
Another Party	2	3	1	3	1	0	2

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South- western Ontario	North- eastern Ontario	North- western Ontario
Sample	944	131	159	274	224	140	16
Progressive Conservative	44	49	39	46	52	30	25
Liberal	23	26	31	19	21	23	24
New Democratic	24	17	22	27	23	33	25
Green	7	8	8	6	4	11	12
Another Party	2	1	1	2	1	2	15

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Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	944	179	228	357	180
Progressive Conservative	44	50	49	43	34
Liberal	23	20	22	20	34
New Democratic	24	21	22	27	25
Green	7	8	5	8	7
Another Party	2	1	1	2	0

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Kathleen Wynne Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Kathleen Wynne is doing as premier?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1003	142	131	178	225	327	528	462
Approve	15	14	18	12	13	19	17	14
Disapprove	74	67	71	83	79	70	75	74
Don't know	11	19	11	5	8	11	8	13

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1003	89	140	134	123	109	198
Approve	15	20	12	17	14	15	20
Disapprove	74	68	72	71	78	80	74
Don't know	11	13	17	12	7	4	6

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South- western Ontario	North- eastern Ontario	North- western Ontario
Sample	1003	140	171	290	238	148	16
Approve	15	17	24	13	12	14	12
Disapprove	74	75	65	76	79	75	58
Don't know	11	8	11	11	9	11	29

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1003	183	248	382	190
Approve	15	8	12	15	28
Disapprove	74	84	78	75	58
Don't know	11	9	10	10	14

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Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Approve	15	2	47	14	8	3
Disapprove	74	95	36	74	75	85
Don't know	11	3	17	12	16	12

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Patrick Brown Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Patrick Brown is doing as leader of the Opposition?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1003	142	131	178	225	327	528	462
Approve	29	23	25	30	34	33	36	24
Disapprove	30	27	32	32	31	27	34	25
Don't know	41	50	43	38	35	40	30	51

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1003	89	140	134	123	109	198
Approve	29	30	22	27	38	33	31
Disapprove	30	21	25	25	30	30	39
Don't know	41	49	53	48	32	37	30

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South- western Ontario	North- eastern Ontario	North- western Ontario
Sample	1003	140	171	290	238	148	16
Approve	29	30	30	29	28	34	13
Disapprove	30	30	34	29	28	24	50
Don't know	41	40	36	42	44	42	37

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1003	183	248	382	190
Approve	29	37	27	29	25
Disapprove	30	22	26	28	43
Don't know	41	40	46	42	32

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Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Approve	29	51	15	14	15	22
Disapprove	30	15	45	37	36	44
Don't know	41	34	40	49	49	34

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Andrea Horwath Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Andrea Horwath (HOR-vath) is doing as Leader of the NDP?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1003	142	131	178	225	327	528	462
Approve	38	26	40	47	35	45	33	42
Disapprove	27	29	26	23	34	22	37	17
Don't know	36	45	35	30	30	33	30	41

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1003	89	140	134	123	109	198
Approve	38	40	34	43	42	43	37
Disapprove	27	20	23	25	31	34	28
Don't know	36	39	43	31	28	23	35

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South- western Ontario	North- eastern Ontario	North- western Ontario
Sample	1003	140	171	290	238	148	16
Approve	38	42	32	39	35	43	42
Disapprove	27	20	36	24	30	20	42
Don't know	36	38	32	38	35	38	16

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1003	183	248	382	190
Approve	38	39	38	36	39
Disapprove	27	26	26	26	30
Don't know	36	35	37	38	30

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Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Approve	38	32	33	63	29	23
Disapprove	27	35	26	8	31	47
Don't know	36	33	41	29	41	30

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Best premier

Regardless of which party you would vote for, who do you think would make the best Premier of Ontario?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1003	142	131	178	225	327	528	462
Kathleen Wynne	14	9	17	11	16	18	12	15
Patrick Brown	36	36	29	39	39	36	43	29
Andrea Horwath	20	19	24	24	15	18	17	24
None of these	23	29	23	21	22	18	23	23
Don't know	7	6	6	5	9	10	5	9

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20- \$40K	\$40- \$60K	\$60- \$80K	\$80- \$100K	\$100- \$250K
Sample	1003	89	140	134	123	109	198
Kathleen Wynne	14	12	7	20	13	17	16
Patrick Brown	36	26	35	35	39	41	35
Andrea Horwath	20	23	24	23	20	23	20
None of these	23	24	25	19	22	18	21
Don't know	7	14	8	4	5	2	8

Region

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Sample	1003	140	171	290	238	148	16
Kathleen Wynne	14	11	22	12	11	11	18
Patrick Brown	36	28	31	40	41	33	14
Andrea Horwath	20	25	13	18	23	27	29
None of these	23	25	28	22	19	24	28
Don't know	7	11	5	8	6	5	11

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Kathleen Wynne	14	7	9	12	30
Patrick Brown	36	40	42	36	22
Andrea Horwath	20	23	20	21	18
None of these	23	24	22	25	20
Don't know	7	7	6	7	9

Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Kathleen Wynne	14	1	46	8	5	11
Patrick Brown	36	69	12	12	13	23
Andrea Horwath	20	10	12	58	16	14
None of these	23	15	22	19	58	52
Don't know	7	5	9	4	8	0



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