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Brown Leads on Economy, Education, and Infrastructure

Horwath leads on the Environment

Toronto, June 19th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1003 Ontario voters, Patrick Brown is generally seen as the strongest on most issues, with Andrea Horwath or leading or tied in half the areas; Kathleen Wynne is not seen to be the best in any area.

Brown leads on the economy, building infrastructure, and education, and is statistically tied with Horwath on trust and healthcare.

In addition to being tied with Brown on trust and healthcare, Horwath also leads on environment.

Kathleen Wynne's strongest result is in education, but she is still behind the other two leaders in this category.

Brown way ahead on economy

The plurality, more than 4-in-10 (42%) see Patrick Brown as the leader best for Ontario`s economy. Only (17%) see Andrea Horwath as the best economic steward, while even fewer (13%) see Kathleen Wynne in that way. More than a quarter (28%) say they do not know.

Horwath and Brown statistically tied on healthcare

Andrea Horwath (30%) holds a slim lead over Patrick Brown (28%) on healthcare, but the lead is within the margin of error and therefore represents a statistical tie. Just more than 1 in 10 (13%) see Kathleen Wynne as best for Ontario`s healthcare system.

Tied with Horwath, and statistically tied with Brown, almost a third (30%) say they do not know which leader would be best on healthcare.

Horwath ahead on the environment

Andrea Horwath (30%) holds a lead over Patrick Brown (25%) on the environment. Kathleen Wynne (12%) is not seen as strong on the environment.

The plurality (33%) though, isn't sure which leader is best for the environment.

Brown leads on education

Patrick Brown (32%), amongst the three leaders, is clearly seen as the frontrunner on education. Horwath (22%) and Wynne (18%) are both well back, but Wynne's numbers in education are her best of the policy areas surveyed.

Almost a third (29%) do not know who would be best for education.

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Brown best on building infrastructure

Patrick Brown (37%) has a strong lead over his two main rivals on infrastructure, with Andrea Horwath (16%) and Kathleen Wynne (15%) well behind the leading Brown.

A third (33%) do not know which leader would be best on infrastructure.

Few trust Wynne

Patrick Brown (30%) and Andrea Horwath (29%) are statistically tied on most trusted leader. Kathleen Wynne (10%) performs worse on trust than any other category.

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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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Summary of category leads by leader

%	Economy	Environment	Healthcare*	Infrastructure	Education	Trust*
Patrick Brown	~		✓	✓	✓	~
Andrea Horwath		•	•			•
Kathleen Wynne						

^{*}Statistical tie

Economy

Which provincial leader would be best for Ontario's economy?

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	13	8	13	13	16	17	14	11
Patrick Brown	42	43	38	45	44	41	51	36
Andrea Horwath	17	15	22	18	14	16	14	20
Don't know	28	34	27	24	25	26	21	34

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20- \$40K	\$40- \$60K	\$60- \$80K	\$80- \$100K	\$100- \$250K
Sample	1003	89	140	134	123	109	198
Kathleen Wynne	13	6	9	10	15	16	18
Patrick Brown	42	30	31	44	52	47	47
Andrea Horwath	17	18	32	20	10	16	12
Don't know	28	46	27	26	22	21	23

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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
Kathleen Wynne	13	10	20	11	10	11	22
Patrick Brown	42	44	33	47	48	37	14
Andrea Horwath	17	16	15	13	20	25	20
Don't know	28	30	32	28	22	27	44

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1003	183	248	382	190
Kathleen Wynne	13	6	8	11	28
Patrick Brown	42	49	46	40	36
Andrea Horwath	17	16	21	18	11
Don't know	28	30	25	31	25

Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Kathleen Wynne	13	2	42	7	5	13
Patrick Brown	42	78	15	20	12	40
Andrea Horwath	17	6	12	50	21	6
Don't know	28	14	32	23	61	41

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Which provincial leader would be best for Ontario's healthcare system?

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	13	11	15	9	13	16	14	12
Patrick Brown	28	25	26	29	31	32	31	26
Andrea Horwath	30	25	32	33	30	29	29	30
Don't know	30	38	27	29	25	23	27	32

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Andrea Horwath	30	28	32	32	29	32	33
Don't know	30	41	35	23	26	24	25

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Patrick Brown	28	22	25	29	34	32	8
Andrea Horwath	30	32	28	29	29	29	38
Don't know	30	31	27	32	25	30	48

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Don't know	30	32	27	32	26

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Kathleen Wynne	13	4	39	5	5	9
Patrick Brown	28	55	12	7	9	22
Andrea Horwath	30	21	21	62	31	21
Don't know	30	20	28	26	55	49

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Which provincial leader would be best for Ontario's environment?

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Patrick Brown	25	23	17	27	27	30	28	22
Andrea Horwath	30	29	35	34	28	26	30	30
Don't know	33	37	33	30	31	30	28	37

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Don't know	33	36	42	30	31	32	25

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Patrick Brown	25	25	20	28	28	20	8
Andrea Horwath	30	32	28	32	29	32	35
Don't know	33	32	32	32	32	36	42

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Andrea Horwath	30	25	25	53	28	26
Don't know	33	24	29	31	55	51





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Which provincial leader would be best for Ontario's education system?

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	18	20	18	11	19	20	16	19
Patrick Brown	32	27	26	36	37	37	39	26
Andrea Horwath	22	17	29	29	17	17	21	22
Don't know	29	36	27	23	27	26	23	33

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Andrea Horwath	22	21	23	25	18	22	27
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Secondary Some college or **Completed college** Post graduate % **Total** school or less university studies or university Sample 1003 183 248 382 190 Kathleen 9 18 13 17 34 Wynne Patrick 32 41 33 31 24 Brown **Andrea** 22 22 19 24 20 Horwath Don't know 30 31 30 22 29

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Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
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Kathleen Wynne	18	4	49	13	15	5
Patrick Brown	32	61	12	9	15	23
Andrea Horwath	22	12	17	54	17	14
Don't know	29	23	22	25	53	58





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Infrastructure

Which provincial leader would be best for building infrastructure in 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	15	9	17	14	16	23	17	12
Patrick Brown	37	36	33	41	35	38	42	33
Andrea Horwath	16	15	15	20	19	11	16	15
Don't know	33	41	35	25	30	28	25	40

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Patrick Brown	37	24	37	30	42	38	41
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Don't know	33	47	32	32	32	31	26

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Don't know	33	32	32	34	29	36	54

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Don't know	33	30	30	37	30

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Sample	1003	439	224	175	76	30
Kathleen Wynne	15	4	43	7	14	4
Patrick Brown	37	67	18	16	13	17
Andrea Horwath	16	10	7	40	14	24
Don't know	33	19	33	38	59	55

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Trust

Which provincial leader do you find most trustworthy?

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	10	6	12	8	11	16	10	11
Patrick Brown	30	29	26	33	30	33	37	24
Andrea Horwath	29	27	31	35	28	24	25	32
Don't know	31	38	31	24	31	27	28	33

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Don't know	31	51	31	23	22	23	30

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Don't know	31	36	29	32	27	32	39

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Patrick Brown	30	60	9	7	9	18
Andrea Horwath	29	16	26	63	27	31
Don't know	31	23	29	28	57	45

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