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Majority Approve of Rent Control Expansion

Almost half approve of a standard lease

Toronto, May 12th – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1103 Ontario voters, the majority (53%) approve of the expansion of rent control to all private rental units in Ontario. Only a quarter (25%) disapprove of the move, with just over 2-in-10 (22%) saying they do not know.

Respondents most likely to approve of the expansion of rent control include those aged 34 and younger (57%) and 35-44 (60%), females (58%), the least wealthy (59%) and those earning \$80,000-\$100,000 (60%), living in Toronto (62%), with a post-graduate degree (59%), and supporting the Liberals (69%) or Green Party (68%).

Respondents most likely to disapprove of the expansion of rent control include those aged 45-54 (36%), males (33%), the most wealthy (41%), living in North-Eastern Ontario (27%) or the 905 (26%), and supporting the Progressive Conservatives (41%).

Nearly 5-in-10 support standard lease

Almost half of respondents (47%) approve of the introduction of a standard lease for rental housing in Ontario. Just over 2-in-10 (21%) disapprove of a standard lease, with a third (32%) saying they do not know.

Respondents most likely to approve of a standard lease include those aged 34 and younger (48%), 35-44 (50%), or 55-64 (49%), earning \$80,000-\$100,000 (56%), living in Toronto (59%), with a post-graduate degree (52%), and supporting the Green Party (64%).

Respondents most likely to disapprove of a standard lease include those aged 45-54 (26%), males (25%), the most wealthy (27%), living in Northeastern Ontario (29%), and supporting the Progressive Conservatives (29%).

“Given the rapid rise of housing costs across Ontario, it’s no surprise the majority supports an expansion to rent control. Voters, particularly in Toronto, are eager for a release from the housing burden that’s only been increasing over the past few years,” 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 1103 randomly selected Ontario Voters. The poll was conducted May 9-10, 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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Rent control

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the government's expansion of rent control to all private rental units in Ontario?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1103	163	126	193	255	366	544	528
Approve	53	57	60	42	50	50	48	58
Disapprove	25	18	21	36	29	26	33	18
Don't know	22	25	18	23	20	23	19	25

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1103	104	149	148	110	128	197
Approve	53	59	52	53	56	60	46
Disapprove	25	14	20	22	21	26	41
Don't know	22	26	28	25	23	15	13

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	Toronto 416	Toronto 905	South-western Ontario	North-eastern Ontario	North-western Ontario
Sample	1103	161	177	329	245	141	50
Approve	53	47	62	53	52	42	51
Disapprove	25	28	23	26	23	27	31
Don't know	22	25	15	21	25	31	18

Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1103	189	301	416	197
Approve	53	46	49	54	59
Disapprove	25	25	23	25	27
Don't know	22	28	27	20	15



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Voter Ballot Intention

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	1103	451	247	236	63	29
Approve	53	37	69	61	68	45
Disapprove	25	41	15	16	14	26
Don't know	22	22	17	23	18	29



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Standard lease

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the introduction of a standard lease for rental housing in Ontario?

Age/Gender

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Sample	1103	163	126	193	255	366	544	528
Approve	47	48	50	44	49	44	48	47
Disapprove	21	21	17	26	22	17	25	17
Don't know	32	31	33	30	29	39	27	36

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