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Liberal Vandenbeld with strong lead in John Baird's old riding

Conservatives lag in Ottawa West-Nepean

TORONTO September 25th, 2015 - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll[™] among 1083 voters in the slightly redistricted federal riding of Ottawa West-Nepean, close to half will vote for the Liberal candidate, Anita Vandenbeld (46%), while just more than a third will vote for the Conservative candidate, Abdul Abdi (35%). One sixth will vote NDP (Marlene Rivier - 15%).

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TORONTO September 25th, 2015 HIGHLIGHTS:

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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 1083 randomly selected Canadians 18 years of age or older. The poll was conducted on September 24th, 2015.

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 <u>www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp</u>

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 Vote Preference

'A federal election has been called for Monday, October 19. Which party's candidate are you most likely to vote for in this election in your riding of Ottawa West-Nepean?'+'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	1005	48	88	131	237	501	436	569
Abdul Abdi, Conservative	35	34	22	33	34	48	35	35
Anita Vandenbeld, Liberal	46	43	50	51	50	39	47	46
Marlene Rivier, NDP	15	18	25	12	12	8	14	15
Another party	4	6	3	4	4	5	4	5

Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20- \$40K	\$40- \$60К	\$60- \$80К	\$80- \$100К	\$100- \$250К
Sample	1005	63	150	134	135	109	190
Abdul Abdi, Conservative	35	34	34	39	38	46	26
Anita Vandenbeld, Liberal	46	43	45	44	40	45	55
Marlene Rivier, NDP	15	20	11	15	15	7	17
Another party	4	3	10	2	7	3	2

Past Federal Vote										
%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Bloc Quebecois	Other Parties			
Sample	1005	468	280	127	54	7	24			
Abdul Abdi, Conservative	35	72	2	8	11	82	10			
Anita Vandenbeld, Liberal	46	20	82	48	54	12	59			
Marlene Rivier, NDP	15	5	13	40	15	3	13			
Another party	4	4	2	3	20	3	18			

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