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Liberals and NDP remain tied in Sudbury

Little change in final two weeks of campaign

TORONTO February 3rd, 2015 - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by the Forum Poll™ among 469 voters in the Ontario provincial riding of Sudbury, where a by-election will be held on February 5, equal proportions, about one third of voters, favour either the Liberal candidate (one-time NDP MP) Glenn Thibeault (33%) or NDP candidate Suzanne Shawbonquit (36%). This compares to two weeks ago, when these two candidates were also tied (January 21, Thibeault - 33%, Shawbonquit - 30%). Former Liberal candidate, now Independent, Andrew Olivier, takes less than a fifth of the vote (14%) and Paula Peroni, the PC candidate takes slightly less (11%). Few will vote Green (6%).

"This race has been tied up since it began, and all we can say is it will be a later night than usual on Thursday," said Forum Research President, Dr. Lorne Bozinoff.

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HIGHLIGHTS:

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The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 469 randomly selected residents of the Sudbury provincial riding 18 years of age and older. The poll was conducted on February 2nd, 2015.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 5%, 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. Actual results will depend on the parties' success at getting their voters out. 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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Vote Preference - Trending

%	February 1, 2015	January 21, 2015	January 13 th , 2015
New Democrat Suzanne Shawbonquit	36	30	42
Liberal Glenn Thibeault	33	33	40
PC Paula Peroni	11	11	13
Green David Robinson	6	3	3
Independent Andrew Olivier	14	22	1

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Current Provincial Party Preference

'A provincial by-election will take place in the riding of Sudbury on Thursday, February 5. Which party's candidate are you most likely to vote for in this by-election?'+ 'Even though you may not have made up your mind, which party's candidate are you leaning towards at this time?'

[Decided / Leaning]

Age / Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	444	17	40	73	124	190	200	244
Liberal Glenn Thibeault	33	24	27	34	39	37	33	32
PC Paula Peron	11	13	10	13	7	13	11	12
New Democrat Suzanne Shawbonquit	36	44	35	37	33	32	39	33
Green David Robinson	6	18	6	1	1	4	3	8
Independent Andrew Olivier	14	0	21	15	20	14	13	14
Another Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Household Income

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
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PC Paula Peron	11	13	10	13	7	13	11	12
New Democrat Suzanne Shawbonquit	36	44	35	37	33	32	39	33
Green David Robinson	6	18	6	1	1	4	3	8
Independent Andrew Olivier	14	0	21	15	20	14	13	14
Another Party	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Past Provincial Party Preference

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Another Party
Sample	444	73	166	153	13	15
Liberal Glenn Thibeault	33	12	60	24	33	24
PC Paula Peron	11	57	2	5	0	13
New Democrat Suzanne Shawbonquit	36	12	15	61	10	4
Green David Robinson	6	0	3	3	53	47
Independent Andrew Olivier	14	20	20	8	4	13
Another Party	0	0	0	0	0	0

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