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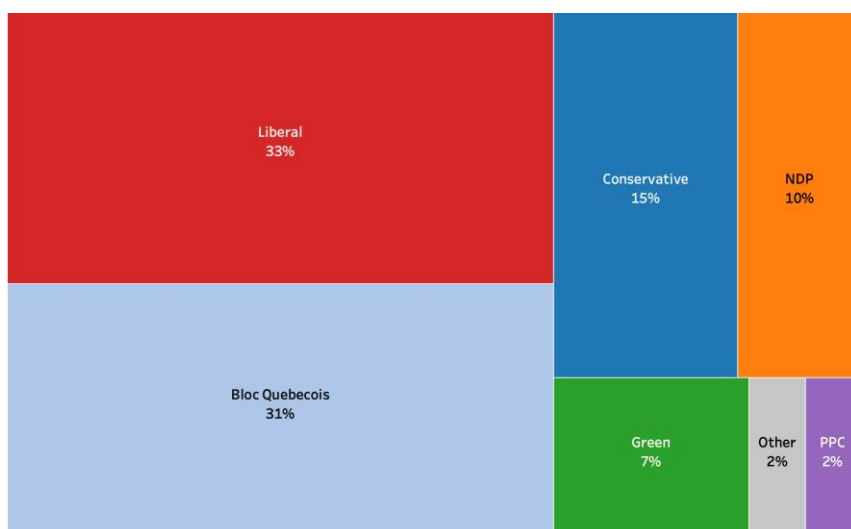
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Bloc Quebecois and Liberals tied in Quebec for voting intention – Conservatives far behind

Bloc Quebecois leader Yves-Francois Blanchet named winner of the French language debate

Toronto, October 12th, 2019 – In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1001 Quebecois voters aged 18 or older one in three (33%) say they plan to vote for the Liberal Party in the upcoming federal election. Most likely to say they will vote Liberal are those 35 to 44 (41%), those in Montreal (39%) or Northwestern Quebec (40%), and anglophones (49%).

Another one in three (31%) say they will vote for the Bloc Quebecois in the upcoming federal election. Most likely to say this are Quebecois aged 65 years of age or older (48%), those living in the suburbs of Montreal (46%), and francophones (37%).



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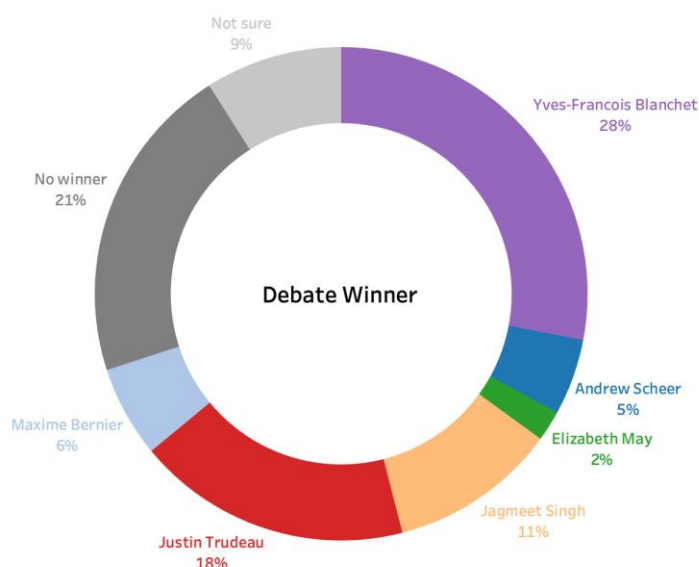
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Yves-Francois Blanchet of the Bloc Quebecois emerged as the winner of the French language debate held October 10th.



Nearly a third (28%) of those surveyed say the Bloc Quebecois leader won the French language debate. This is most prevalent with Quebecois aged 65 years or older with nearly half (44%) saying that the debate was won by Blanchet. Also most likely to feel this way are voters living in Montreal suburbs with over a third (39%) saying Yves-Francois performed best on the debate stage, francophones (33%), and those who plan to vote for the Bloc (63%).

In second place is Liberal leader Justin Trudeau. Nearly one in five (18%) say Trudeau was the victor. Most likely to say this are those who speak a language other than French or English at home (46%), anglophones (28%), and those who plan to vote Liberal (47%).

Over 1 in 5 (21%) say that no leader won the debate.

Well over three-quarters (84% total) of those surveyed said they watched the debate (47%) or heard about the debate (37%).



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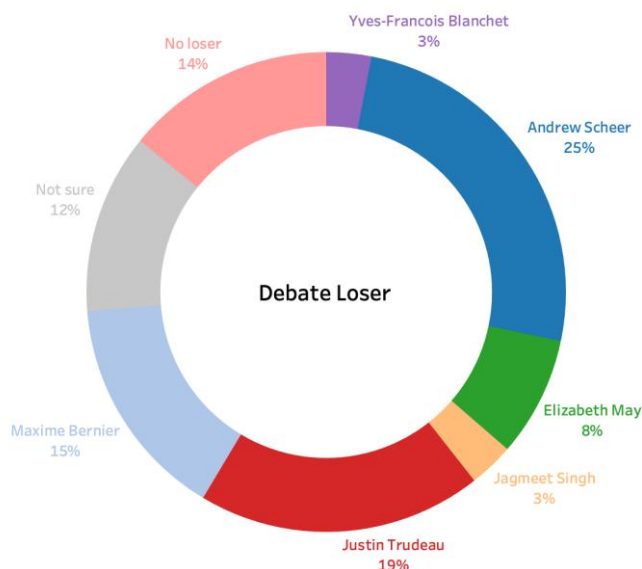


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Conservative Andrew Scheer's debate performance voted worst by Quebecois voters

1 in 4 say Andrew Scheer was the loser in the French language debate.



Most say Justin Trudeau would make the best Prime Minister

Over one-third (35%) of Quebecois feel that, regardless of party affiliation, Justin Trudeau would make Canada's best Prime Minister. This is most prevalent among those 35 to 44 years of age (42%), women (39%), Montrealers (45%), anglophones (43%), and those who plan to vote Liberal in the next election (80%).

Quebecois also feel that Justin Trudeau is best equipped to represent Canada on the world stage

Nearly 4 in 10 (38%) say that Justin Trudeau is best equipped to represent Canada on the world stage. Just over one 1 in 10 would say the same about Andrew Scheer (13%), Jagmeet Singh (13%), or Yves-Francois Blanchet (13%).

"The Liberals and the Bloc are tied in Quebec, which could negatively affect Liberal chances for re-election," said Dr. Lorne Bozinoff, President of Forum Research. "Yves-Francois Blanchet was seen to have performed well in the final debate, which may explain some of the Bloc's recent gains in Quebec."

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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 1001 randomly selected Quebecois voters. The poll was conducted October 11th, 2019, from 11am-8pm.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20, measured as the average deviation across all response categories. 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. 171,869 Quebecois were contacted to participate. 55 identified themselves as non-voters and were ineligible to participate.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Actual results depend on the parties' ability to get 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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Top2/Btm2 (or 3 or 4 where applicable) refers to the combined results of the most answered positive and negative responses:

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	631	112	91	133	119	176	303	315
NET: TOP3	66	57	60	68	78	86	67	64
NET: BTM3	34	43	39	32	21	14	32	36
Very satisfied	9	9	6	6	13	20	11	8
Satisfied	28	17	29	35	32	45	25	31
Somewhat satisfied	28	31	26	28	32	20	31	25
Somewhat dissatisfied	12	11	16	14	11	8	13	12
Dissatisfied	11	15	15	9	5	3	9	13
Very dissatisfied	11	18	9	8	5	3	9	12
Don't know	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

*Top 3 here collects very satisfied, satisfied, and somewhat satisfied into one category, and Btm 3 collects very dissatisfied, dissatisfied, and somewhat dissatisfied. **Due to rounding some numbers may not add up to 100***

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French language debate

Did you watch or hear anything about the Federal leader's debate?

Age/gender

%	TOTAL	< 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
TOTAL (u/w)	1001	85	138	181	154	189	254	499	489
Watched the debate	47	40	42	48	38	54	59	48	47
Heard about the debate	37	41	44	38	42	35	24	39	36
Didn't watch or hear anything	16	18	14	14	20	11	17	13	18

Region

%	TOTAL	Eastern Quebec	Montreal Suburbs	Montreal	Northwestern Quebec
TOTAL (u/w)	858	261	292	244	204
Watched the debate	47	53	46	45	46
Heard about the debate	37	33	36	39	42
Didn't watch or hear anything	16	14	18	17	12



Language spoken at home

%	TOTAL	French	English	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	868	101	32
Watched the debate	47	49	29	48
Heard about the debate	37	38	44	25
Didn't watch or hear anything	16	13	27	27

Voting Intention (Decided + Leaning)

%	TOTAL	Cons.	Lib.	NDP	Green	Bloc	PPC	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	158	299	107	61	316	20	19
Watched the debate	47	40	44	51	40	59	56	21
Heard about the debate	37	41	36	39	49	31	28	67
Didn't watch or hear anything	16	19	19	11	11	10	16	13

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*Who do you think won the debate?
(asked among those who watched or heard about the debate)*

Age/gender

%	TOTAL	< 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
TOTAL (u/w)	858	74	121	156	129	167	211	435	415
Justin Trudeau	18	17	13	23	22	19	14	17	19
Andrew Scheer	5	6	2	5	3	9	5	6	4
Jagmeet Singh	11	12	12	10	15	10	8	10	12
Elizabeth May	2	8	3	2	1	1	1	2	3
Maxime Bernier	6	4	8	7	5	8	3	8	3
Yves-Francois Blanchet	28	17	29	27	21	26	44	32	26
No winner	21	22	19	20	25	19	22	18	25
Not sure	9	14	15	7	9	7	3	8	9

Region

%	TOTAL	Eastern Quebec	Montreal Suburbs	Montreal	Northwestern Quebec
TOTAL (u/w)	858	229	244	207	178
Justin Trudeau	18	15	18	18	21
Andrew Scheer	5	11	2	2	5
Jagmeet Singh	11	9	8	14	15
Elizabeth May	2	2	1	3	3
Maxime Bernier	6	7	5	6	4
Yves-Francois Blanchet	28	24	39	22	23
No winner	21	24	21	20	20
Not sure	9	7	6	13	10



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Language spoken at home

%	TOTAL	French	English	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	758	75	25
Justin Trudeau	18	13	28	46
Andrew Scheer	5	5	8	4
Jagmeet Singh	11	11	21	7
Elizabeth May	2	2	2	4
Maxime Bernier	6	6	3	3
Yves-Francois Blanchet	28	33	7	12
No winner	21	23	14	14
Not sure	9	8	16	9

Voting Intention (Decided + Leaning)

%	TOTAL	Cons.	Lib.	NDP	Green	Bloc	PPC	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	130	256	95	52	283	17	16
Justin Trudeau	18	7	47	6	16	1	8	5
Andrew Scheer	5	29	1	1	1	1	0	4
Jagmeet Singh	11	6	7	38	15	7	13	6
Elizabeth May	2	0	4	0	11	0	0	0
Maxime Bernier	6	13	2	1	3	7	39	4
Yves-Francois Blanchet	28	17	10	17	16	63	25	0
No winner	21	18	21	23	23	18	5	72
Not sure	9	9	10	14	16	3	11	9



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French language debate: Loser

*Who do you think lost the debate?
(asked among those who watched or heard about the debate)*

Age/gender

%	TOTAL	< 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
TOTAL (u/w)	858	74	121	156	129	167	211	435	415
Justin Trudeau	19	23	17	16	14	20	26	22	16
Andrew Scheer	25	22	27	25	28	27	23	26	25
Jagmeet Singh	3	2	4	4	4	2	3	3	4
Elizabeth May	8	4	8	9	11	4	8	8	7
Maxime Bernier	15	8	14	24	13	17	13	15	15
Yves-Francois Blanchet	3	6	2	2	4	6	2	4	3
No loser	14	22	11	10	16	12	15	13	15
Not sure	12	14	17	10	11	11	11	9	15



Region

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Justin Trudeau	19	24	20	17	15
Andrew Scheer	25	18	32	23	27
Jagmeet Singh	3	3	4	3	3
Elizabeth May	8	11	7	6	7
Maxime Bernier	15	14	12	15	20
Yves-Francois Blanchet	3	4	3	3	4
No loser	14	16	13	15	11
Not sure	12	9	9	18	13

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Language spoken at home

%	TOTAL	French	English	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	758	75	25
Justin Trudeau	19	21	12	8
Andrew Scheer	25	27	23	19
Jagmeet Singh	3	3	4	4
Elizabeth May	8	8	4	5
Maxime Bernier	15	12	18	38
Yves-Francois Blanchet	3	3	7	3
No loser	14	15	17	7
Not sure	12	11	15	16

Voting Intention (Decided + Leaning)

%	TOTAL	Cons.	Lib.	NDP	Green	Bloc	PPC	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	858	130	256	95	52	283	17	16
Justin Trudeau	19	35	6	10	10	31	40	11
Andrew Scheer	25	10	29	28	21	32	20	10
Jagmeet Singh	3	2	6	1	0	3	5	0
Elizabeth May	8	15	6	6	12	6	8	0
Maxime Bernier	15	9	20	23	18	11	0	9
Yves-Francois Blanchet	3	8	4	1	5	2	8	0
No loser	14	13	13	14	18	11	11	40
Not sure	12	7	16	18	16	5	9	31



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Voting Intention

If a federal 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?

Age/gender

%	TOTAL	< 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
TOTAL (u/w)	980	82	137	178	148	186	249	491	477
Conservative	15	15	14	14	16	20	13	21	10
Liberal	33	34	25	41	38	34	30	31	36
NDP	10	16	19	11	10	7	4	8	11
Green	7	17	13	4	7	5	3	6	7
Bloc Quebecois	31	15	23	28	21	31	48	31	31
PPC	2	1	3	2	3	1	0	3	1
Other	2	2	3	0	4	2	2	1	4

Region

%	TOTAL	Eastern Quebec	Montreal Suburbs	Montreal	Northwestern Quebec
TOTAL (u/w)	980	256	287	240	197
Conservative	15	30	8	10	17
Liberal	33	27	31	39	40
NDP	10	8	8	13	12
Green	7	4	4	10	10
Bloc Quebecois	31	27	46	24	17
PPC	2	3	2	1	2
Other	2	1	2	3	3

Language spoken at home

%	TOTAL	French	English	Other
TOTAL (u/w)	980	849	99	32
Conservative	15	16	15	14
Liberal	33	27	49	60
NDP	10	10	14	3
Green	7	6	8	12
Bloc Quebecois	31	37	7	7
PPC	2	2	5	0
Other	2	2	2	4



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Best Prime Minister

Regardless of which party you plan to vote for, who do you think would make the best Prime Minister?

Age/gender

%	TOTAL	< 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
TOTAL (u/w)	1001	85	138	181	154	189	254	499	489
Justin Trudeau	35	33	26	42	37	35	37	32	39
Andrew Scheer	15	7	14	13	18	21	14	21	9
Jagmeet Singh	19	29	24	21	17	14	12	20	17
Elizabeth May	5	8	13	3	2	5	4	4	7
Don't know	26	24	22	21	26	25	32	23	28

Region

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Justin Trudeau	35	26	35	45	37
Andrew Scheer	15	26	11	8	16
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Don't know	26	27	31	22	18



Language spoken at home

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Andrew Scheer	15	72	1	4	1	10	25	0
Jagmeet Singh	19	4	10	61	31	20	15	17
Elizabeth May	5	2	1	6	30	6	7	3
Don't know	26	20	8	15	22	45	38	75

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Best Representative on the World Stage

Based on the debate, which leader is best equipped to represent Canada on the world stage?

Age/gender

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Justin Trudeau	38	31	28	45	38	43	41	35	41
Andrew Scheer	13	10	7	16	16	15	14	19	8
Jagmeet Singh	13	20	18	13	16	6	7	14	11
Elizabeth May	4	6	11	4	0	3	1	3	5
Maxime Bernier	4	1	8	3	4	3	3	6	2
Yves-Francois Blanchet	13	13	9	11	11	14	18	11	15
None	8	7	7	6	8	9	9	7	8
Not sure	8	11	11	3	8	7	7	5	10



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Elizabeth May	4	4	4	4	3
Maxime Bernier	4	7	2	3	4
Yves-Francois Blanchet	13	8	19	11	11
None	8	11	8	8	3
Not sure	8	9	9	5	6

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Jagmeet Singh	13	13	15	9
Elizabeth May	4	4	3	5
Maxime Bernier	4	4	5	0
Yves-Francois Blanchet	13	14	5	10
None	8	9	3	4
Not sure	8	8	9	6

Voting Intention (Decided + Leaning)

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TOTAL (u/w)	858	130	256	95	52	283	17	16
Justin Trudeau	38	4	81	21	25	24	15	21
Andrew Scheer	13	65	1	3	3	9	6	0
Jagmeet Singh	13	4	4	45	21	13	7	12
Elizabeth May	4	1	1	3	27	3	8	0
Maxime Bernier	4	8	1	1	5	3	51	0
Yves-Francois Blanchet	13	4	5	8	5	30	9	0
None	8	6	3	6	5	12	0	37
Not sure	8	9	4	12	9	7	4	31

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