Canadians Increasingly View Poilievre as Best PM

Six in Ten (60%) Want Trudeau to Step Down Before Next Election

Sep 21, 2023 Four in ten (40%) Canadians view Pierre Poilievre as the best candidate for PM, an increase of 5 points from a year ago (35% in Sep 2022). Meanwhile, Justin Trudeau remains stagnant at 31% (unchanged from Sep 2022), while Jagmeet Singh is sliding and is the third choice (22%, -4).

More Canadians think Poilievre is someone they can trust (+7 from Sep 2022), while at the same time more Canadians believe that Trudeau has a hidden agenda (+7 from Sep 2022). On the crucial issues of healthcare, housing and the economy, Poilievre is seen as the leader with the best plan to tackle each issue.

Of Canadians think Trudeau should Step Down before Next Election

vs. 54% in December 2022

Canadians appear to be tiring of Trudeau as six in ten (60%) think Trudeau should step down and allow Liberal Party members to elect a new leader before the next election, up 6 points since December 2022. Six in ten (59%) undecided voters think Trudeau should step down, and 28% of remaining Liberal voters also think he should resign (compared to 10% of Tory voters who want Poilievre to resign). As for when the next election should occur, a slim majority (53%) believes the NDP should stop supporting the Liberals, and we should have an election as soon as possible. Conversely, 47% believe the NDP should continue to prop up the minority Liberal government so that we don’t need to have an election.
These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between September 15th to 18th, 2023, on behalf of Global News. For this survey, a sample of 1,500 Canadians aged 18+ was interviewed. Quotas and weighting were employed to ensure that the sample’s composition reflects that of the Canadian population according to census parameters. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll is accurate to within ±2.9 percentage points, 19 times out of 20, had all Canadians aged 18+ been polled. The credibility interval will be wider among subsets of the population. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error.

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