

Thinking of how you feel right now, if a provincial election were held tomorrow, which of the following parties' candidates would you, yourself be most likely to support?

**TOTAL MENTION - LEANERS INCLUDED**

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The Progressive Conservatives	35%	30%	37%	39%	31%	41%	32%	41%	30%	23%	32%	42%
The Liberals	41%	47%	37%	39%	41%	37%	46%	39%	43%	41%	43%	42%
The New Democratic Party (NDP)	14%	13%	16%	11%	12%	14%	14%	13%	14%	20%	17%	9%
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
(Would not vote/spoil ballot)	1%	0	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	4%	1%	1%
(Don't Know/Undecided)	7%	8%	5%	6%	11%	4%	5%	4%	9%	10%	5%	5%
(Refused)	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0
No answer	1%	1%	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
<b>Base: All respondents</b>												
Weighted	906	335	322	246	260	338	307	451	455	142	314	398
Unweighted	913	248	421	240	265	321	326	465	448	138	309	408
The Progressive Conservatives	39%	33%	41%	43%	37%	44%	34%	43%	34%	27%	35%	45%
The Liberals	46%	52%	41%	43%	49%	40%	50%	42%	49%	48%	46%	45%
The New Democratic Party (NDP)	15%	14%	18%	13%	14%	15%	15%	14%	16%	24%	18%	9%
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

I am going to read you a list of provincial political party leaders. For each, could you please say whether you generally approve or disapprove of the way they have performed.

**Dalton McGuinty, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party**

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Weighted	1002	372	351	276	306	362	332	485	517	167	339	427
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Strongly approve	9%	11%	6%	10%	8%	9%	10%	8%	10%	11%	10%	8%
Somewhat approve	40%	40%	45%	35%	43%	37%	42%	36%	44%	43%	41%	39%
Somewhat disapprove	23%	22%	24%	25%	22%	22%	26%	26%	21%	20%	24%	25%
Strongly disapprove (DK/NS)	14%	10%	16%	18%	14%	17%	13%	20%	9%	12%	13%	17%
Approve	49%	52%	51%	45%	51%	45%	52%	45%	54%	53%	51%	47%
Disapprove	38%	32%	40%	43%	36%	39%	39%	46%	30%	32%	37%	42%

**Mike Harris, Premier of Ontario, leader of provincial Progressive Conservative government**

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Strongly approve	26%	23%	26%	30%	29%	28%	23%	33%	19%	18%	25%	31%
Somewhat approve	22%	23%	22%	19%	19%	27%	17%	22%	21%	19%	20%	23%
Somewhat disapprove	16%	22%	13%	13%	18%	16%	14%	15%	17%	22%	17%	14%
Strongly disapprove (DK/NS)	34%	30%	37%	38%	33%	27%	44%	30%	39%	38%	36%	31%
Approve	48%	46%	49%	49%	48%	55%	40%	55%	41%	37%	45%	54%
Disapprove	51%	52%	50%	50%	50%	43%	58%	44%	57%	60%	53%	45%

**Howard Hampton, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party**

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Weighted	1002	372	351	276	306	362	332	485	517	167	339	427
Unweighted	1002	273	458	266	303	346	350	501	501	160	332	435
Strongly approve	7%	6%	8%	7%	7%	6%	8%	7%	7%	6%	10%	5%
Somewhat approve	35%	40%	35%	30%	35%	31%	41%	35%	36%	40%	37%	33%
Somewhat disapprove	22%	21%	22%	22%	22%	23%	19%	22%	21%	22%	21%	23%
Strongly disapprove (DK/NS)	14%	7%	15%	20%	14%	14%	13%	17%	10%	10%	11%	17%
Approve	42%	46%	43%	38%	42%	37%	49%	42%	42%	45%	46%	38%
Disapprove	35%	29%	37%	42%	36%	38%	32%	39%	32%	32%	32%	39%

And now I want to focus on issues presently confronting ONTARIO. Which issue do you feel should receive the greatest attention from ONTARIO'S LEADERS, that is the one they should give top priority to?

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Education/Schools	59%	63%	56%	58%	55%	57%	65%	53%	65%	59%	56%	61%
Medicare/Healthcare	57%	46%	62%	64%	52%	61%	55%	51%	62%	51%	58%	57%
Environment/Pollution	17%	14%	18%	18%	13%	14%	23%	17%	16%	15%	16%	18%
Poverty/The poor/Welfare/Homeless	11%	13%	11%	7%	11%	9%	11%	9%	12%	12%	10%	9%
Taxes/Tax reform/GST - general	10%	10%	11%	8%	9%	11%	9%	10%	9%	6%	9%	12%
Jobs/Unemployment	8%	10%	9%	6%	9%	10%	6%	9%	8%	10%	8%	8%
Social services - pensions/Day-care/Housing	6%	5%	8%	6%	5%	5%	9%	6%	7%	5%	7%	5%
Economy - general/Recession	6%	5%	7%	5%	3%	7%	7%	9%	3%	3%	5%	8%
Water/ contamination/ Walkerton situation	4%	3%	4%	6%	5%	3%	5%	4%	5%	7%	6%	2%
Deficit/Government spending	4%	3%	4%	6%	3%	5%	4%	5%	4%	2%	2%	5%
Roads/ infrastructure	4%	3%	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	6%	4%	3%
Crime/Violence	4%	5%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%
Labor issues/ teachers strike/ TTC strike	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%
Government/ politics/ leadership issues	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Immigration/Refugees	2%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Justice issues/ capital punishment/ young offenders act	1%	2%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Agriculture	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
National unity/Quebec's future	1%	2%	1%	1%	0	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Gas prices	1%	1%	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Transportation/ public transportation	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%	0
Gun control	1%	1%	0	1%	2%	0	-	1%	1%	-	1%	1%
Seniors issues	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%	0	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Native issues	1%	0	-	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	0	0	0	1%
Debt/ national debt/ provincial debt	1%	0	-	2%	0	0	1%	1%	-	1%	0	1%
Youth/ youth unemployment/ student debt	0	1%	0	-	0	1%	0	-	1%	-	1%	0
The handicapped/ disabled/ funding for disabled	0	-	1%	0	1%	-	-	1%	0	2%	-	-
Moral issues (abortion, legalize marijuana)	0	1%	-	-	1%	0	0	1%	-	1%	0	0
Natural resources	0	0	0	-	-	1%	1%	1%	0	1%	-	0
Racism/ discrimination/ equality	0	-	0	1%	-	0	1%	-	1%	-	0	0
Federal/ provincial relations	0	-	0	1%	-	1%	0	0	0	1%	0	0
Policing issues	0	1%	0	-	1%	0	-	0	0	-	0	0
Capitalism/ corporate trade	0	0	0	-	-	1%	-	0	-	-	-	1%
Hunting issues	0	0	0	-	-	1%	0	0	0	-	-	1%
Other	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%	5%	2%	5%	3%	3%
None	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
(DK/NS)	3%	6%	2%	1%	5%	3%	1%	4%	2%	5%	4%	2%

**The teachers in the province may go on strike again this Fall. Based on what you've seen, read or heard, do you support or oppose the teachers going on strike to fight against changes in the education system?**

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Somewhat oppose	11%	13%	9%	13%	15%	11%	8%	10%	13%	15%	14%	7%
Strongly oppose	38%	28%	43%	45%	37%	43%	33%	42%	34%	26%	35%	44%
(DK/NS)	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0	1%
Strongly/ somewhat support	50%	59%	47%	41%	47%	46%	57%	47%	53%	58%	51%	48%
Strongly/ somewhat oppose	49%	40%	52%	58%	52%	54%	42%	52%	47%	40%	49%	51%

**As you may recall, many of Ontario's teachers went on strike in 1997 to protest changes to education being made by the provincial government. As far as you know, were the issues the teachers raised largely resolved when the strike ended, or do the teachers still have a lot of unresolved issues with the government?**

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Resolved	7%	6%	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%	10%	4%	9%	4%	8%
Not resolved	90%	90%	91%	89%	92%	88%	91%	86%	94%	87%	95%	88%
(DK/NS)	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%

**If the teachers go on strike again, who would you say should take MOST of the blame? Is it the government or the teachers unions?**

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Government	51%	57%	48%	47%	47%	45%	61%	47%	55%	57%	52%	49%
Teachers unions	45%	40%	48%	48%	49%	50%	36%	49%	41%	38%	45%	47%
(DK/NS)	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	3%	5%	4%	5%	3%	3%