

As you may know, the BC Liberals were elected to govern BC two years ago in May 2001. I would like to get your impression of how things have changed in British Columbia over the last two years. Overall, do you think that British Columbia is now in better shape, worse shape, or about the same shape as two years ago?

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| | | LM | V/B | SLM | Isl | Int | M | F | 18-34 | 35-54 | 55+ | Priv | Pub | No | HS | PSec | Unv | <30 | 30-60 | 60+ |
| Base: All respondents | 800 | 500 | 231 | 269 | 106 | 194 | 400 | 400 | 203 | 332 | 250 | 83 | 164 | 539 | 242 | 302 | 254 | 165 | 235 | 314 |
| Weighted | 800 | 446 | 194 | 252 | 145* | 209 | 387 | 413 | 269 | 314 | 204 | 85* | 160 | 538 | 247 | 306 | 245 | 174 | 232 | 313 |
| Better shape | 24% | 27% | 27% | 27% | 21% | 18% | 30% | 18% | 18% | 24% | 30% | 19% | 15% | 27% | 19% | 26% | 27% | 12% | 20% | 31% |
| Worse shape | 45% | 38% | 43% | 35% | 50% | 54% | 36% | 52% | 46% | 44% | 46% | 54% | 55% | 40% | 46% | 43% | 45% | 59% | 46% | 36% |
| About the same shape | 30% | 33% | 29% | 37% | 28% | 27% | 33% | 28% | 34% | 31% | 24% | 27% | 30% | 31% | 34% | 32% | 26% | 27% | 33% | 31% |
| (DK/NS) | 1% | 1% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 0 | 0 | 2% | 2% | 1% | 0 | - | - | 2% | 1% | - | 3% | 1% | 1% | 1% |

Please tell me whether you think each of the following groups are better off, worse off or about as well off as when the BC Liberals were elected two years ago.

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| Lower income British Columbians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Better off | 13% | 15% | 12% | 16% | 11% | 12% | 16% | 11% | 16% | 10% | 14% | 7% | 11% | 15% | 12% | 14% | 13% | 12% | 10% | 15% |
| Worse off | 62% | 57% | 62% | 54% | 70% | 67% | 58% | 65% | 62% | 64% | 61% | 74% | 70% | 58% | 60% | 63% | 62% | 69% | 69% | 54% |
| About as well off | 22% | 25% | 24% | 26% | 15% | 20% | 23% | 20% | 19% | 23% | 23% | 17% | 18% | 24% | 23% | 21% | 21% | 16% | 18% | 28% |
| (DK/NS) | 3% | 3% | 2% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 4% | 5% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% |
| Middle income British Columbians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Better off | 14% | 16% | 17% | 16% | 11% | 11% | 19% | 10% | 16% | 13% | 13% | 13% | 7% | 16% | 11% | 14% | 18% | 10% | 13% | 17% |
| Worse off | 47% | 41% | 41% | 41% | 53% | 57% | 41% | 54% | 42% | 51% | 51% | 48% | 61% | 43% | 40% | 52% | 49% | 51% | 49% | 44% |
| About as well off | 36% | 40% | 39% | 40% | 33% | 30% | 38% | 33% | 38% | 33% | 34% | 39% | 29% | 37% | 46% | 32% | 30% | 36% | 35% | 37% |
| (DK/NS) | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 3% | 4% | 2% | 2% | - | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% |
| Higher income British Columbians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Better off | 58% | 57% | 60% | 54% | 55% | 64% | 60% | 57% | 54% | 60% | 63% | 64% | 67% | 55% | 56% | 59% | 60% | 54% | 57% | 60% |
| Worse off | 8% | 8% | 5% | 10% | 8% | 8% | 11% | 6% | 13% | 7% | 5% | 11% | 6% | 8% | 11% | 7% | 6% | 13% | 7% | 7% |
| About as well off | 29% | 31% | 31% | 31% | 32% | 24% | 27% | 31% | 28% | 30% | 29% | 20% | 23% | 33% | 28% | 29% | 31% | 27% | 33% | 29% |
| (DK/NS) | 4% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 2% | 6% | 5% | 3% | 3% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 5% | 3% | 6% | 3% | 4% |
| Small businesses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Better off | 27% | 34% | 32% | 35% | 20% | 18% | 33% | 22% | 31% | 24% | 28% | 17% | 29% | 29% | 21% | 27% | 34% | 19% | 29% | 32% |
| Worse off | 35% | 27% | 27% | 28% | 48% | 43% | 30% | 40% | 38% | 37% | 28% | 40% | 38% | 33% | 37% | 39% | 29% | 45% | 37% | 28% |
| About as well off | 31% | 33% | 33% | 33% | 24% | 33% | 32% | 30% | 25% | 34% | 34% | 39% | 25% | 32% | 35% | 30% | 29% | 27% | 29% | 36% |
| (DK/NS) | 7% | 6% | 8% | 4% | 8% | 7% | 5% | 8% | 6% | 4% | 10% | 4% | 8% | 7% | 7% | 4% | 8% | 9% | 5% | 5% |
| Large corporations | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Better off | 61% | 62% | 60% | 63% | 59% | 61% | 61% | 61% | 57% | 66% | 61% | 72% | 65% | 57% | 58% | 59% | 66% | 56% | 65% | 63% |
| Worse off | 8% | 8% | 8% | 8% | 5% | 11% | 8% | 8% | 10% | 6% | 8% | 4% | 7% | 9% | 10% | 7% | 8% | 10% | 9% | 5% |
| About as well off | 25% | 24% | 26% | 23% | 26% | 25% | 26% | 23% | 30% | 23% | 21% | 23% | 23% | 26% | 26% | 28% | 19% | 29% | 21% | 26% |
| (DK/NS) | 6% | 6% | 7% | 6% | 9% | 3% | 4% | 8% | 3% | 5% | 10% | 1% | 5% | 7% | 6% | 5% | 7% | 5% | 5% | 6% |

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

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| | | LM | V/B | SLM | Isl | Int | M | F | 18-34 | 35-54 | 55+ | Priv | Pub | No | HS | PSec | Unv | <30 | 30-60 | 60+ |
| Base: Decided voters | 623 | 395 | 188 | 207 | 78 | 150 | 323 | 300 | 155 | 256 | 201 | 68 | 121 | 425 | 186 | 230 | 205 | 125 | 178 | 259 |
| Weighted | 615 | 354 | 158 | 196 | 102* | 159 | 307 | 308 | 199 | 241 | 164 | 72* | 117 | 415 | 186 | 235 | 193 | 130 | 176 | 253 |
| The BC Liberals | 44% | 50% | 43% | 55% | 39% | 34% | 48% | 40% | 38% | 45% | 47% | 39% | 30% | 48% | 41% | 44% | 46% | 24% | 40% | 53% |
| The NDP | 28% | 25% | 30% | 21% | 37% | 28% | 24% | 32% | 25% | 31% | 29% | 31% | 41% | 24% | 24% | 27% | 33% | 31% | 30% | 26% |
| The Green Party | 18% | 16% | 18% | 14% | 19% | 23% | 18% | 18% | 24% | 16% | 15% | 15% | 19% | 19% | 22% | 18% | 15% | 32% | 19% | 13% |
| BC Unity | 5% | 4% | 4% | 5% | 3% | 8% | 4% | 6% | 7% | 3% | 6% | 7% | 4% | 5% | 6% | 6% | 3% | 8% | 6% | 4% |
| Other | 5% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 2% | 7% | 6% | 4% | 6% | 5% | 4% | 8% | 6% | 4% | 7% | 5% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 5% |

Is your support for the BC Liberals based more on an approval of their policies and actions, or is it based more on a belief that there is no reasonable alternative to the Liberals?

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| Base: Those who would most likely support The BC Liberals | 280 | 195 | 81 | 114 | 31 | 54 | 155 | 125 | 62 | 116 | 94 | 27 | 37 | 210 | 81 | 105 | 93 | 33 | 73 | 141 |
| Weighted | 269 | 176 | 68* | 108 | 40** | 53* | 147 | 122 | 76* | 109 | 77* | 28** | 35* | 198 | 76* | 104* | 89* | 31* | 71* | 134 |
| Approval of their policies and actions | 47% | 47% | 53% | 43% | 37% | 53% | 51% | 42% | 44% | 55% | 42% | 41% | 52% | 47% | 40% | 46% | 54% | 45% | 33% | 58% |
| Belief there is no reasonable alternative | 48% | 46% | 43% | 48% | 63% | 42% | 45% | 51% | 50% | 41% | 54% | 56% | 48% | 47% | 49% | 51% | 43% | 43% | 61% | 40% |
| Neither | 3% | 4% | 1% | 6% | - | - | 1% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 2% | 3% | - | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 5% | 2% |
| (DK/NS) | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | - | 4% | 2% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 3% | - | - | 3% | 7% | - | 1% | 10% | - | - |

As you may know, the provincial NDP is planning a leadership race later this year. Would you be more likely or less likely to consider voting NDP if a new leader was chosen to replace Joy MacPhail, or would it make no difference to you?

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| Weighted | 800 | 446 | 194 | 252 | 145* | 209 | 387 | 413 | 269 | 314 | 204 | 85* | 160 | 538 | 247 | 306 | 245 | 174 | 232 | 313 |
| More likely | 18% | 20% | 19% | 20% | 17% | 17% | 21% | 16% | 17% | 20% | 18% | 24% | 21% | 17% | 15% | 19% | 21% | 16% | 22% | 18% |
| Less likely | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 8% | 3% | 6% | 5% | 3% | 7% | 6% | 3% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 7% | 4% | 4% |
| No difference | 74% | 74% | 74% | 74% | 80% | 70% | 73% | 74% | 75% | 75% | 72% | 68% | 72% | 76% | 77% | 73% | 71% | 71% | 72% | 77% |
| (DK/NS) | 3% | 2% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 5% | 2% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 4% | 5% | 2% | 2% |