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Ottawa, ON - Prime Minister Harper and his Conservative government continue to lead the pack, with a new Ipsos Reid poll revealing that the Tories have the support of 39% (a decline of three points) of decided voters. However, in the midst of the controversy surrounding the Schreiber-Mulroney Affair, the gap between the Tories and the Grits has narrowed slightly, with Dion's Liberals sitting at 29% support nationally (an increase of one point). The NDP is holding steady with 15% support nation-wide, while the Green Party has the support of 8% of decided voters, which represents an increase of one point. Eight percent (8%) of voters remain undecided.

Within Quebec, the Bloc Quebecois has held steady and is receiving support from 31% of Quebecers (8% nationally), while the Tories have dropped five points and now have the support of 26% of decided voters. The Liberals are also unchanged, maintaining the support of 23% of Quebecers, while the NDP now enjoys support from 13% of Quebecers, an increase of three points. Support for the Green Party within Quebec has increased slightly, moving to 7% support (an increase of two points).

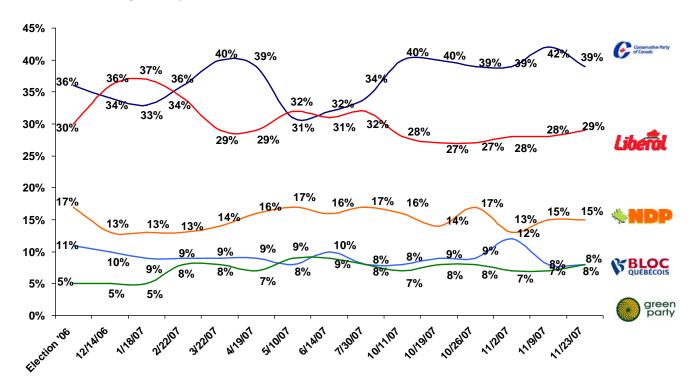
These are the findings of an Ipsos Reid poll conducted on behalf of CanWest News Service and Global Television from Nov 20 to Nov 22, 2007. For the survey, a representative randomly selected sample of 1000 adult Canadians was interviewed by telephone. With a sample of this size, the results are considered accurate to within ±3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20, of what they would have been had the entire adult population of Canada been polled. The margin of error will be larger within regions and for other sub-groupings of the survey population. These data were weighted to ensure that



the sample's regional and age/sex composition reflects that of the actual Canadian population according to Census data.

# **Federal Vote Support**

November 23, 2007, percentage of decided voters.



CanWest News Service/Global News Ipsos Reid Survey, Nov 20-Nov 22, 2007. Decided voters including leaners (n=866).

8% of all Canadian adults (n=1,000) are undecided

## Significant Regional Highlights...

### **British Columbia**

Within British Columbia, the Tories maintain a strong lead, increasing their support by two points to now sit at 45%, while the Grits have increased their support by one point but still trail significantly at 25% support. The NDP, though, has dropped six points and sits at 21% support, while the Green Party is now at 8% within B.C., an increase of four points.

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#### Ontario

In vote rich Ontario, the Tories have slipped slightly (decrease of 1 point) to 39% support, placing them in a statistical dead heat with the Liberals at 38% support (increase of 2 points). The NDP is holding steady at 13% support within Ontario, and the Green Party has slipped one point to 9% in Canada's most-populated province.

### Quebec

Within Quebec, the Bloc Quebecois has held steady and is receiving support from 31% of Quebecers (8% nationally), while the Tories have dropped five points and now have the support of 26% of decided voters. The Liberals have also held their position, maintaining the support of 23% of Quebecers, while the NDP now enjoys support from 13% of Quebecers, an increase of three points. Support for the Green Party within Quebec has increased slightly, moving to 7% support (an increase of two points).

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