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**Toronto, ON** - As Prime Minister Harper delivers his government's report card on the economy, and the opposition Liberals put forward a non-confidence motion that could bring down the government and force an election if the NDP join the already-committed Liberals and Bloc Quebecois, a new poll suggests that Canadians are generally unmoved by the events of this month: high-profile meetings at the United Nations and the G-20 Summit, campaign-style ads being rolled out by the Liberals and the Tories, and the political jockeying taking place on Parliament Hill.

The poll has found that Stephen Harper and the Conservatives have the support of 37% of decided voters (down 2 points), while support for Michael Ignatieff and the Liberals has held steady at 30%. If an election were held tomorrow, the NDP under Jack Layton would receive 14% of the vote (up 2 points), while Elizabeth May and the Green Party would receive 9% support (up 1 point). Five percent (5%) of voters remain undecided.

With the NDP rebounding slightly in the polls, the question remains as to whether Jack Layton will continue to support the Conservatives with the hopes of driving EI reform, or whether he'll side with his fellow opposition parties and bring down the government in a vote of no confidence.

In **Quebec**, the Bloc has the support of 37% of Quebecers (9% nationally), while the Liberals (28%), Conservatives (17%), NDP (10%) and Green Party (7%) all trail.

In **Ontario**, the Tories (43%) continue to lead the Grits (33%) by a significant margin, while the NDP (14%) and Green Party (9%) lag behind.

*These are the findings of an Ipsos Reid poll conducted on behalf of Canwest News Service and Global Television from September 22 to 24, 2009. For the survey, a representative randomly selected sample of 1,001 adult Canadians was interviewed by telephone. With a sample of this size, the results are considered accurate to within  $\pm 3.1$  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.*

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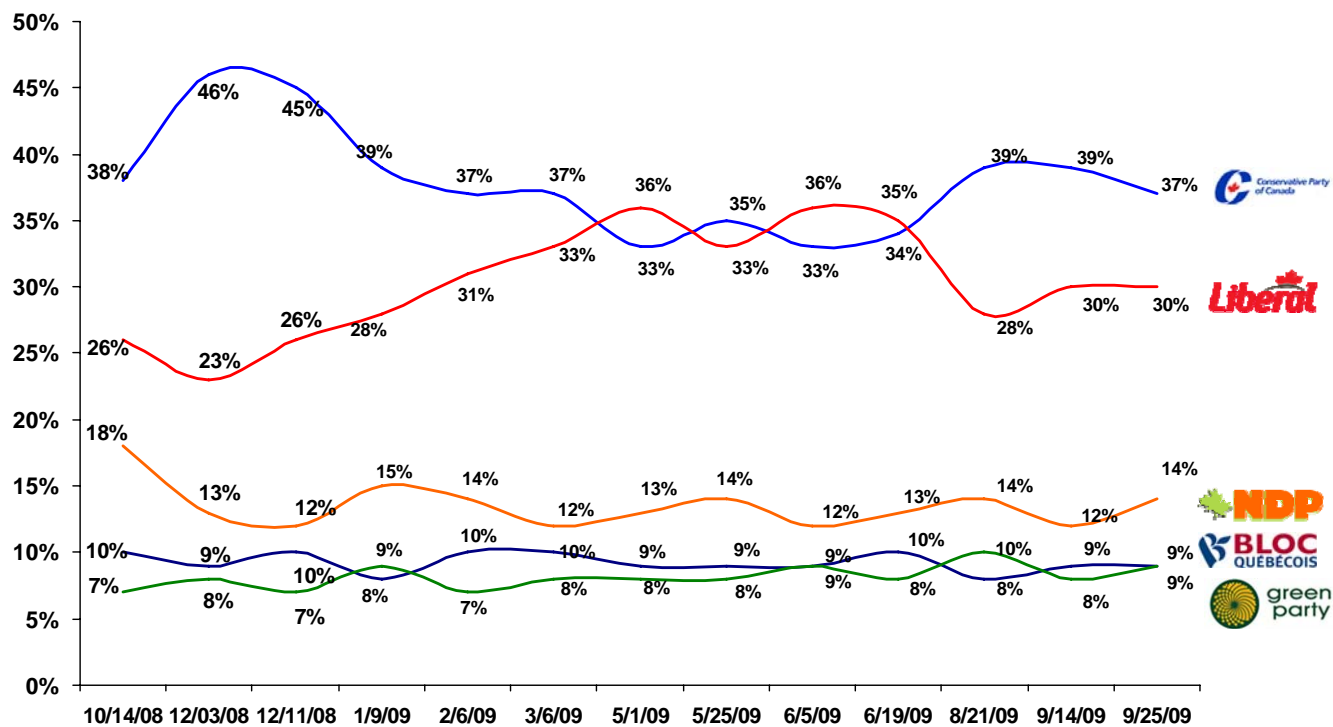
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# Federal Vote Support

September 25, 2009, percentage of decided voters.



Canwest /Global News Ipsos Reid Survey, September 22-24, 2009. Decided voters including leaners (n=881).

5% of all Canadian adults (n=1,001) are undecided