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Toronto, ON - Canadians remain generally unmoved in their post Olympic-Games voting preference following the recent Throne Speech and budget, according to new Ipsos Reid poll conducted on behalf Canwest News Service and Global National.

If an election were held tomorrow, 34% of decided voters would vote for Stephen Harper and the Conservative Party (down 3 points), while 28% would support the Liberal Party under Michael Ignatieff (down 1 point). Jack Layton and the NDP would receive 18% of the vote (up 2 points), while the Green Party led by Elizabeth May would garner 10% of the vote (up 3 points). One in ten (9%) voters remains undecided.

In the province of Quebec, Gilles Duceppe and the Bloc (35%) continue to lead the Liberals (27%), Conservatives (20%), NDP (11%), and Green Party (8%).

In seat-rich Ontario, the Grits (36%) continue to have a 3-point lead over the Tories (33%), with the NDP (19%) and Green Party (10%) being well back.

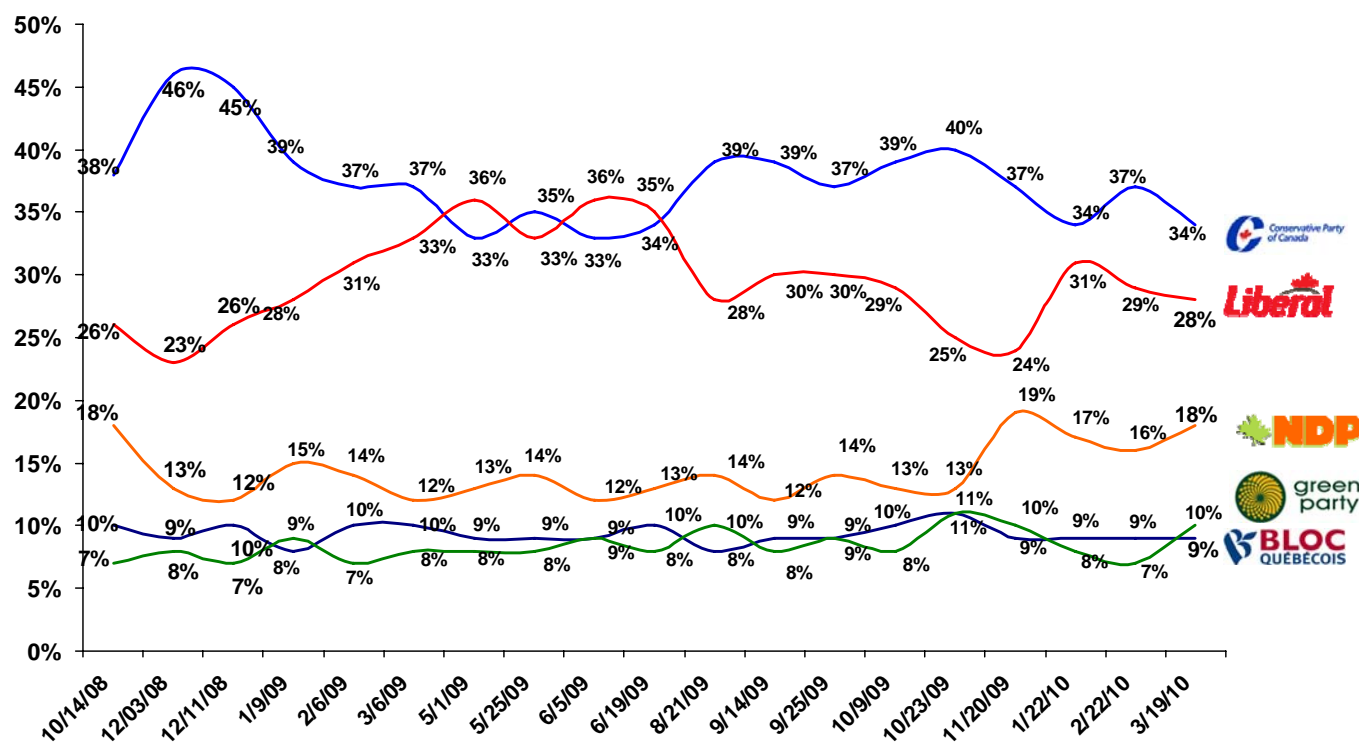
These are the findings of an Ipsos Reid poll conducted on behalf of Canwest News Service and Global Television from March 16 to 18, 2010. For the survey, a representative randomly-selected sample of 1,001 adult Canadians was interviewed by telephone. With a sample of this size, the results are considered accurate to within ± 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

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according to Census data. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error.

Federal Vote Support

March 19, 2010, percentage of decided voters.



Canwest /Global News Ipsos Reid Survey, March 16-18, 2010. Decided voters including leaners (n=829).

9% of all Canadian adults (n=1,001) are undecided



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