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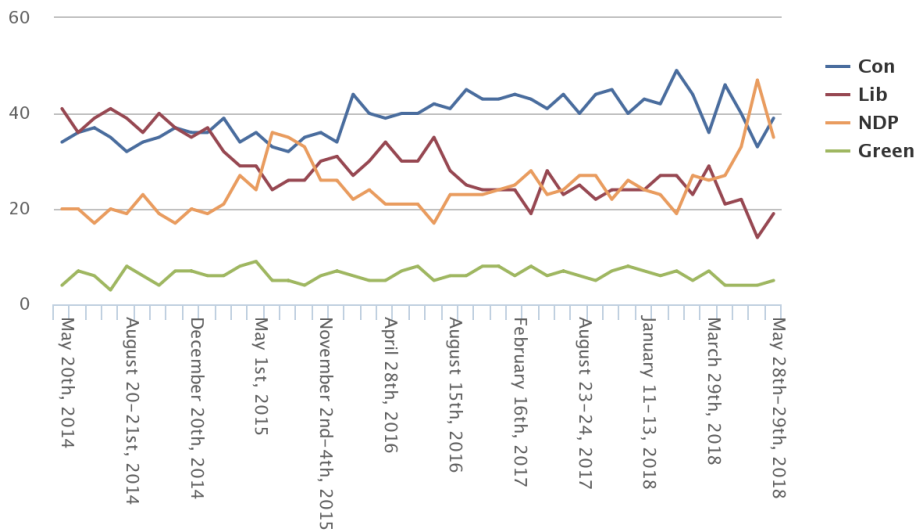
PCs Lead

Volatile Electorate suggests almost anything could happen on June 7

Toronto, May 30th - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 2602 Ontario voters, amongst those decided and leaning, 4 in 10 (39%) say they support the Progressive Conservatives. A third (35%) say they are supporting the NDP, while one-fifth (19%) say they are supporting the Ontario Liberal Party.

Few support either the Green Party (5%) or another party (2%).

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Conservatives move into a majority

Based on these results, we project the PCs to win a majority with 77 seats. The NDP would serve as official opposition with 41 seats, and the Liberals would win 6 seats.

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Horwath Approval Steady, but disapproval up

Kathleen Wynne's approval sits at one-quarter (23%), up four points since our last poll (May 23: 19%), while her disapproval drops four points (65%) (May 23: 69%). 1 in 10 say they do not know (12%). Her net favourable score (approve minus disapprove) is -42, an improvement of 8 since May 23rd (-50)

Doug Ford's approval sits at a third (30%), similar to his approval when last we polled (May 23: 32%), with half still (53%) saying they disapprove (May 23: 51%). About one-fifth (17%) say they do not know. His net favourable score (approve minus disapprove) is -23, worsening by four points since May 23rd (-19)

Andrea Horwath's approval sits at 4 in 10 (40%), similar to her approval when we last polled (May 23: 43%), with a third (32%) saying they disapprove, up six points (May 23: 26%). About one-quarter (28%) say they do not know. Her net favourable score (approve minus disapprove) is +8, worsening by nine points since May 23rd (+17)

Horwath and Ford tied for best Premier

A third (30%) say Andrea Horwath would make the best Premier, while a similar proportion (29%) say this of Doug Ford.

Kathleen Wynne is seen as best premier by one-sixth (16%), a similar proportion to those who say none (17%). 1 in 10 (9%) say they do not know.

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Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 2602 randomly selected Ontario Voters. The poll was conducted May 28-29, 2018.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 2%, 19 times out of 20. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Actual results depend on the parties' ability to get their voters out. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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Demographic Diagnostic Tables

Age	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Unweighted (%)		14	13	16	24	32
Sample	2602	366	348	408	637	843
Weighted (%)		28	16	18	17	21
Weighted Sample	2602	729	416	468	442	546

Gender	Total	Male	Female	Neither
Unweighted (%)		52	46	3
Sample	2602	1346	1187	69
Weighted (%)		47	50	3
Weighted Sample	2602	1223	1301	3

Vote	Total	PC	Liberal	NDP	Green	Other Parties	Undecided
Unweighted (%)		38	18	30	5	2	6
Sample	2602	989	473	785	132	55	168
Weighted (%)		35	16	29	4	1	15
Weighted Sample	2602	911	416	755	104	26	390

Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding.



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Provincial Election Voting Preference Trending
 [Decided / Leaning]

%	Sample	Con	Lib	NDP	Green	Other
May 28-29, 2018	2602	39	19	35	5	2
May 23, 2018	906	33	14	47	4	2
May 9, 2018	777	40	22	33	4	2
April 18, 2018	1126	46	21	27	4	2
March 28-29, 2018	728	36	29	26	7	2
March 11, 2018	923	44	23	27	5	2
Feb 17, 2018	949	49	24	19	7	2
Jan 25, 2018	751	42	27	23	6	2
Jan 11-13, 2018	1022	43	24	24	7	2
Nov 29-30, 2017	861	40	24	26	8	2
Oct 24-25, 2017	946	45	27	22	7	2
Sept 26-27, 2017	801	44	22	27	5	2
Aug 23-24, 2017	981	40	25	27	6	2
June 12-14, 2017	1003	44	23	24	7	2
May 9-10, 2017	1103	41	28	23	6	3
March 28-30, 2017	844	43	19	28	8	2
February 15-16, 2017	1026	44	24	25	6	2
November 21 st , 2016	1104	43	24	24	8	2
October 17-18 th , 2016	1078	43	24	23	8	2
September 12-13 th , 2016	1154	45	25	23	6	2
August 15 th , 2016	1097	41	28	23	6	2
July 12 th , 2016	1183	42	35	17	5	2
June 21 st , 2016	1173	40	30	21	8	2
May 31 st , 2016	1172	40	30	21	7	2
April 28 th , 2016	1157	39	34	21	5	2
March 23 rd , 2016	1225	40	30	24	5	2
February 26 th -29 th , 2016	1148	44	27	22	6	2
December 20 th , 2015	1003	34	31	26	7	2
November 2 nd -4 th , 2015	1158	36	30	26	6	2
August 11 th -12 th , 2015	1001	35	26	33	4	2
July 8 th , 2015	678	32	26	35	5	2
May 11 th , 2015	1001	33	24	36	5	2
May 1 st , 2015	912	36	29	24	9	2
March 26 th , 2015	881	34	29	27	8	2
February 28 th , 2015	996	39	32	21	6	2
January 30 th , 2015	1028	36	37	19	6	2
December 20 th , 2014	1058	36	35	20	7	2
November 29 th , 2014	1054	37	37	17	7	2
Popular Vote – June 7 th , 2014 Provincial Election Results	-	31	39	24	5	2



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Overall Seat Distribution

%	Con	Lib	NDP
May 28-29, 2018	77	6	41
May 23, 2018	40	5	79
May 9, 2018	75	12	37
April 18, 2018	94	7	23
March 29, 2018	57	36	31
March 11, 2018	84	11	29
Feb 17, 2018	93	10	21
Jan 11-13, 2018 (124)	88	12	24
November 29-30, 2017	80	11	31
October 24-25, 2017	89	10	23
September 26-27, 2017	84	12	26
August 22-23, 2017	79	13	30
June 12-14, 2017	87	9	26
May 9-10, 2017	72	25	25
March 28-30, 2017	86	7	29
February 15-16, 2017	84	11	27
November 21 st , 2016	70	11	26
October 17-18 th , 2016	72	11	24
September 12-13 th , 2016	75	8	24
August 15 th , 2016	69	15	23
July 12 th , 2016	48	44	15
June 21 st , 2016	51	36	20
May 31 st , 2016	57	26	24
April 28 th , 2016	53	33	21
March 23 rd , 2016	57	26	24
February 26 th -29 th , 2016	67	16	24
December 20 th , 2015	44	35	28
November 2 nd -4 th , 2015	54	19	34
August 11 th -12 th , 2015	54	19	34
July 8 th , 2015	35	27	45
May 11 th , 2015	49	18	40
May 1 st , 2015	48	33	26
March 26 th , 2015	52	23	32
February 28 th , 2015	49	39	19
January 30 th , 2015	34	56	17
December 20 th , 2014	37	52	18
November 29 th , 2014	38	52	17
November 1 st , 2014	37	56	14
October 1 st , 2014	35	51	21
August 20-21 st , 2014	31	61	15
Election – June 12 th , 2014	28	58	21



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Ontario Provincial Party Leader Approval Rating Trending (% Approve)

[All Respondents]

	Sample	Wynne	Ford	Horwath
May 28-29, 2018	2602	23	30	40
May 23, 2018	906	19	32	43
May 9, 2018	777	20	34	42
April 18, 2018	1126	18	37	37
March 11, 2018 (Ford elected)	870	-	36	-
Jan 11-13, 2018 (Brown)	1022	16	28	33
Nov 29-30, 2017	861	15	29	38
Sept 26-27, 2017	801	15	28	35
Aug 23-24, 2017	981	18	25	35
June 12-14, 2017	1003	15	29	38
May 9-10, 2017	1103	15	19	34
March 28-30, 2017	844	12	27	36
February 15-16, 2017	1026	11	20	36
November 21 st , 2016	1104	13	28	36
October 17-18 th , 2016	1078	14	27	36
September 12-13 th , 2016	1154	16	27	36
August 15 th , 2016	1097	16	26	34
July 12 th , 2016	1183	22	29	33
June 23, 2017	1173	18	22	33
May 31, 2016	1172	21	25	34
April 28 th , 2016	1157	20	27	32
March 23 rd , 2016	1225	20	26	35
February 26 th -29 th , 2016	1148	20	30	38
December 20 th , 2015	1003	23	25	40
November 2 nd -4 th , 2015	1158	21	27	41
August 11 th -12 th , 2015	1001	30	21	38
July 8 th , 2015	678	29	19	38
May 11 th , 2015	1001	26	17	41
May 1 st , 2015	912	29	22	39
March 26 th , 2015	881	33	22	40
February 28 th , 2015	996	36	24	37
January 30 th , 2015	1028	40	22	36
December 20 th , 2014	1058	37	22	35
November 29 th , 2014	1054	42	22	33
November 1 st , 2014	1104	46	23	31
October 1 st , 2014	1079	41	18	31
August 20-21 st , 2014	1229	46	27	35
July 3 rd , 2014	810	41	-	28
May 27 th , 2014	882	34	27	34
May 20 th , 2014	1136	38	25	35
May 12 th , 2014	996	38	23	35
May 2-3 rd , 2014	1845	34	26	36



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Provincial Party Preference

[Decided/Leaning]

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	2434	348	327	381	592	786	1277	1094
Progressive Conservative	39	32	39	42	42	43	47	33
Liberal	19	19	19	16	17	24	16	23
New Democratic	35	41	36	36	34	27	31	38
Green	5	6	5	4	4	5	5	5
Another Party	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	416	905	South-Western Ontario	Northern Ontario
Sample	2434	352	530	794	467	290
Progressive Conservative	39	46	36	39	42	35
Liberal	19	21	25	19	14	20
New Democratic	35	26	35	36	36	38
Green	5	5	3	5	7	5
Another Party	2	3	1	1	2	1

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Wynne Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Kathleen Wynne is doing as premier?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	2602	366	348	408	637	843	1346	1187
Approve	23	21	24	20	24	25	20	25
Disapprove	65	63	66	70	66	63	71	60
Don't know	12	16	10	10	11	12	9	15

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	416	905	South-Western Ontario	Northern Ontario
Sample	2602	362	561	849	510	319
Approve	23	23	29	22	17	23
Disapprove	65	68	58	67	68	65
Don't know	12	10	14	11	15	12

Voter Intent

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	2602	989	473	785	132	55
Approve	23	2	67	24	21	8
Disapprove	65	93	17	63	67	78
Don't know	12	5	16	13	12	14



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Ford Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Doug Ford is doing as leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	2602	366	348	408	637	843	1346	1187
Approve	30	28	31	32	30	30	39	23
Disapprove	53	57	55	50	51	51	48	58
Don't know	17	15	14	18	18	19	13	20

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	416	905	South-Western Ontario	Northern Ontario
Sample	2602	362	561	849	510	319
Approve	30	35	27	30	33	28
Disapprove	53	51	58	52	51	53
Don't know	17	14	15	18	17	19

Voter Intent

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	2602	989	473	785	132	55
Approve	30	70	6	4	21	22
Disapprove	53	14	74	86	61	42
Don't know	17	16	20	9	19	36



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Horwath Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Andrea Horwath is doing as leader of the Ontario NDP?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	2602	366	348	408	637	843	1346	1187
Approve	40	39	42	43	42	37	39	42
Disapprove	32	27	32	33	35	34	38	25
Don't know	28	34	25	24	23	30	23	32

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	416	905	South-Western Ontario	Northern Ontario
Sample	2602	362	561	849	510	319
Approve	40	29	43	43	39	43
Disapprove	32	40	29	32	31	27
Don't know	28	31	28	25	30	31

Voter Intent

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	2602	989	473	785	132	55
Approve	40	16	36	77	36	18
Disapprove	32	60	25	4	28	55
Don't know	28	24	39	19	36	27



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Best Premier

Regardless of which party you would vote for, who do you think would make the best Premier of Ontario?

Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	2602	366	348	408	637	843	1346	1187
Kathleen Wynne	16	15	14	15	17	22	15	18
Doug Ford	29	25	28	30	31	31	37	21
Andrea Horwath	30	33	31	31	29	24	26	33
None of these	17	16	22	18	16	13	17	16
Don't know	9	11	6	7	7	10	6	12

Region

%	Total	Eastern Ontario	416	905	South-Western Ontario	Northern Ontario
Sample	2602	362	561	849	510	319
Kathleen Wynne	16	18	22	15	12	15
Doug Ford	29	35	27	29	29	23
Andrea Horwath	30	22	27	32	30	35
None of these	17	18	16	15	19	19
Don't know	9	7	7	9	10	8

Voter Intent

%	Total	Progressive Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Other Parties
Sample	2602	989	473	785	132	55
Kathleen Wynne	16	2	63	10	11	1
Doug Ford	29	70	2	4	15	22
Andrea Horwath	30	7	16	69	19	7
None of these	17	15	9	12	47	52
Don't know	9	5	10	5	9	18



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