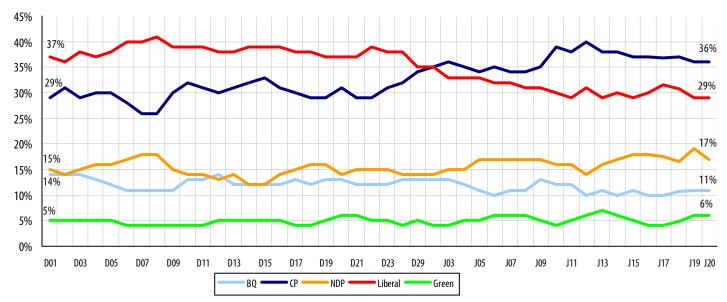


Conservatives lead by seven points



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FIRST RANKED BALLOT (N=1,200 Canadians, 1,053 decided voters)



REGIONAL BALLOTS

	Canada		Atlantic Canada		Quebec		Ontario		Western Canada	
	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Conservative	35.5	36.2	41	34	26	27	36	35	41	45
Liberal	29.0	29.4	31	34	18	18	39	39	28	27
NDP	18.8	17.3	23	27	9	9	19	17	25	21
BQ	11.1	11.0	-	-	44	44	-	-	-	-
Green	5.6	6.1	6	5	3	3	7	8	7	7
Accuracy	<u>+</u> 3.1%	<u>+</u> 3.1%	<u>+</u> 9.7%	<u>+</u> 10.0%	<u>+</u> 6.1%	<u>+</u> 6.2%	<u>+</u> 5.6%	<u>+</u> 5.5%	<u>+</u> 5.2%	<u>+</u> 5.3%
Undecided	12.0	12.0	12	12	12	13	12	14	13	10

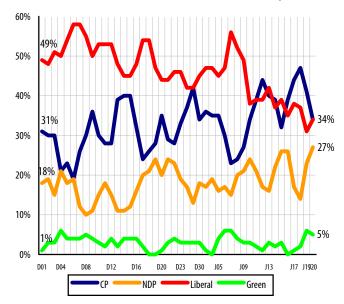
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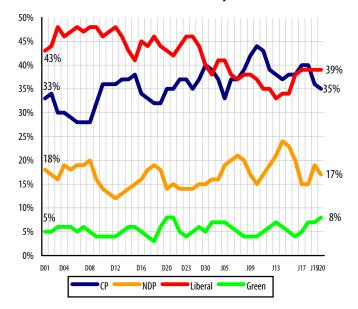
Tories widen lead in West



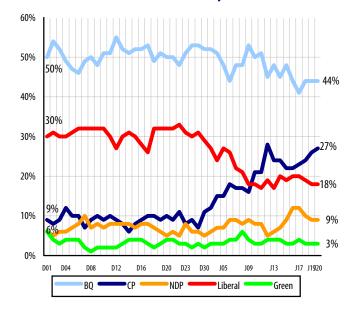
ATLANTIC CANADA (Decided Voters, Accuracy ±10)



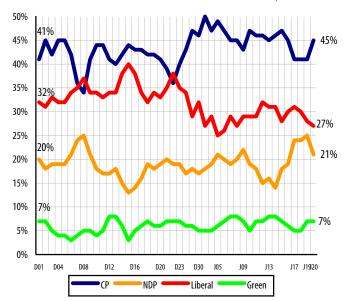
ONTARIO (Decided Voters, Accuracy ±6)



QUEBEC (Decided Voters, Accuracy ±6)



WESTERN CANADA (Decided Voters, Accuracy ±5)

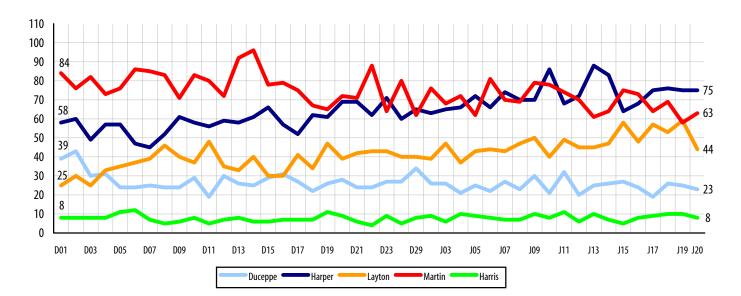




Performance Index: Performance Index: Harper ahead by 11 points



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LEADERSHIP INDICATORS

	Trust		Competence		Vision fo	r Canada	Leadership Index Score		
	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	
	%	%	%	%	%	%			
Paul Martin	14	16	22	24	22	23	58	63	
Stephen Harper	26	25	23	25	26	25	75	75	
Gilles Duceppe	10	8	10	9	5	6	25	23	
Jack Layton	23	16	16	12	20	16	59	44	
Jim Harris	3	3	3	2	4	3	10	8	
None of them	18	16	10	10	10	8	38	34	
Undecided	6	17	16	19	13	18	35	54	
Accuracy	<u>+</u> 5.0%								

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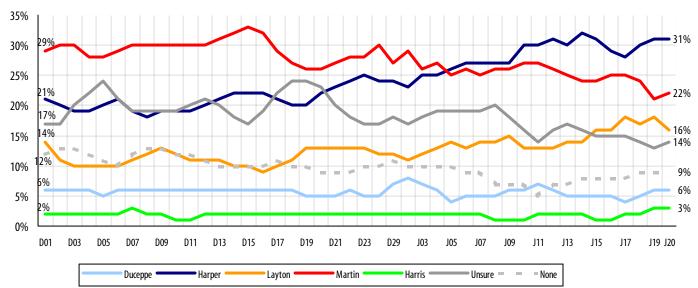


Best PM: Harper ahead of Martin by nine points



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BEST PRIME MINISTER (N=1,200 Canadians)



REGIONAL NUMBERS

	Canada		Atlantic Canada		Quebec		Ontario		Western Canada	
	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 20
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Harper	31	31	26	21	30	30	28	27	35	38
Martin	21	22	23	26	15	14	27	29	20	21
Duceppe	6	6	1	1	18	17	2	2	2	2
Layton	18	16	19	21	17	16	17	15	18	15
Harris	3	3	3	4	1	1	4	4	3	3
None	9	9	11	12	8	10	8	6	11	9
Undecided	13	14	18	17	11	12	15	17	12	12
Accuracy	<u>+</u> 2.9%	<u>+</u> 2.9%	<u>+</u> 9.2%	<u>+</u> 9.4%	<u>+</u> 5.8%	<u>+</u> 5.8%	<u>+</u> 5.3%	<u>+</u> 5.1%	<u>+</u> 4.9%	<u>+</u> 5.0%

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METHODOLOGY



CPAC Questions

- 1. If a FEDERAL election were held today, could you please rank your top two current local voting preferences? (First ranked reported)
- 2. Are you currently leaning towards any particular FEDERAL party, and if you are, which party would that be?

Currently (rotate), Paul Martin is the leader of the federal Liberal Party, Stephen Harper is the leader of the Conservative Party of Canada, Jack Layton is the leader of the federal NDP, Gilles Duceppe is leader of the Bloc Quebecois and Jim Harris is leader of the federal Green Party.

- 3. Which of the federal leaders would you best describe as the most trustworthy leader?
- 4. Which of the federal leaders would you best describe as the most competent leader?
- 5. Which of the federal leaders would you best describe as the leader with the best vision for Canada?
- 6. Based on what you know about the federal party leaders and their performance during the election campaign up until today, who do you think would make the best Prime Minister?

Methodology

A national random telephone survey is conducted nightly by SES Research throughout the campaign. Each evening a new group of 400 eligible voters are interviewed. The daily tracking figures are based on a three-day rolling sample comprised of 1,200 interviews. To update the tracking a new day of interviewing is added and the oldest day dropped. The margin of accuracy is $\pm 2.9\%$, 19 times out of 20.

The respondent sample is stratified geographically and by gender. The data may be weighted by age according to data from the 2001 Canadian Census administered by Statistics Canada. Percentages reported may not add up to 100 due to rounding. The research has been registered with the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association of which SES is a member.

Leadership Index Score Methodology

Every day, SES will report on a daily leadership index score. The leadership index score is a summation of the three leadership indicators (trustworthy, competence, vision). For example, on November 30^{th} (N30), Jim Harris received a Leadership Index Score of 5 because 2% of Canadians identified Jim Harris as the most trustworthy leader, 1% said he was the most competent and 2% said he had the best vision for Canada.

The Leadership Index Score will be tracked daily with updated results from the previous night of polling. Unlike the other measures tracked by SES, the leadership index score will not be based on a three-day rolling sample. It will be reported from results the evening before. This will allow SES to measure the performance of the federal party leaders and the key factors driving performance on a daily basis.

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