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## Poll: Liberals hold lead

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News polls indicate that if elections were held now, Liberals would likely be reelected but most likely remain a minority government.

A poll by SES Canada Research gave Liberals a lead of 39 percent to 25 percent for the Conservatives, with 19 percent for the New Democratic Party.

The Liberal result was three points up and Conservatives five points down from three months earlier.

Meanwhile, a Strategic Counsel poll gave the Liberals a lead of 36 to 28 percent, with the NDP at 17 percent. This compares with 35-26-19 percent respectively from a month earlier.

In general, a party needs about 40 percent, and sometimes more, to win a majority in Parliament.

Both polls have a 3.1-point margin of error.

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