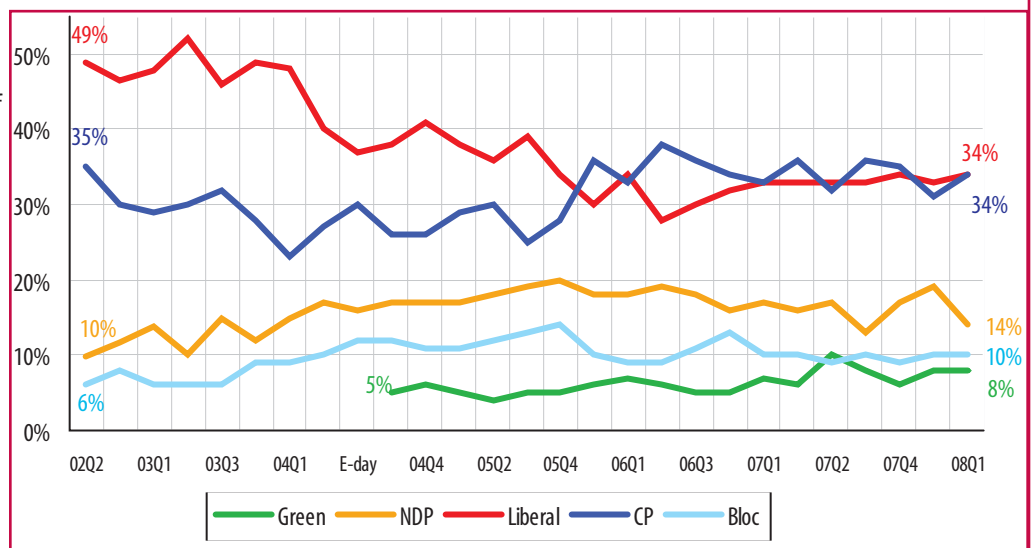


Federal Deadlock Continues

To follow is a review of the latest Nanos national random telephone survey of Canadians 18 years of age and older. It was completed between February 16th and February 20th, 2008. The statistics of committed voters for the current wave is accurate to within 3.3 percentage points, plus or minus, 19 times out of 20. The margin of accuracy will be wider for sub samples. Percentages may exceed 100 due to rounding.

The research was registered with the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association of which Nanos is a Gold Seal Corporate member.

For those parties you would consider voting for federally, could you please rank your top two current local preferences? (Committed Voters Only - First Preference)



Committed Voters (%)**	Canada		Atlantic*		Quebec		Ontario		West	
	(N=841)	(N=878)	(N=91)	(N=84)	(N=217)	(N=216)	(N=250)	(N=269)	(N=283)	(N=309)
	Feb 4	Feb 20	Feb 4	Feb 20	Feb 4	Feb 20	Feb 4	Feb 20	Feb 4	Feb 20
Conservative Party	31	34	22	26	23	22	31	31	40	47
Liberal Party	33	34	42	47	22	21	43	46	29	30
NDP	19	14	27	16	12	13	19	14	21	15
BQ	10	10	--	--	37	40	--	--	--	--
Green Party	8	8	9	10	6	5	7	9	10	8
Accuracy (19 of 20)	±3.4	±3.3	±10.4	±10.9	±6.7	±6.8	±6.4	±6.0	±5.8	±5.6
Uncommitted	16	12	11	20	15	15	16	11	18	9

* small sample – readers should exercise caution.
** due to rounding percentages may not add up to 100

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STAT SHEET - NATIONSTATE 2008Q1B

Question - Why is _____ your first choice*
[first ranked vote preference only]

		First Ranked Vote Preference					Total
		Liberal	Conservative	NDP	Bloc	Green	
Deserve a chance	Count	2	3	11	1	8	25
		.7%	1.1%	9.2%	1.2%	11.4%	3.0%
Good policies/platform	Count	55	76	32	7	14	184
		19.4%	27.0%	26.7%	8.2%	20.0%	21.9%
Best for the environment	Count	4	0	8	0	37	49
		1.4%	.0%	6.7%	.0%	52.9%	5.8%
Best local candidate	Count	24	5	5	2	1	37
		8.5%	1.8%	4.2%	2.4%	1.4%	4.4%
The best choice	Count	59	37	22	16	6	140
		20.8%	13.1%	18.3%	18.8%	8.6%	16.6%
Tradition/always voted for them	Count	54	17	2	5	0	78
		19.0%	6.0%	1.7%	5.9%	.0%	9.3%
Past performance	Count	26	0	0	0	0	26
		9.2%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	3.1%
Seem honest/trust them	Count	12	12	1	0	1	26
		4.2%	4.3%	.8%	.0%	1.4%	3.1%
The best leader/leadership	Count	14	15	3	2	0	34
		4.9%	5.3%	2.5%	2.4%	.0%	4.0%
They care about average/working person	Count	6	5	24	0	0	35
		2.1%	1.8%	20.0%	.0%	.0%	4.2%
A safe choice	Count	3	0	0	0	0	3
		1.1%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.4%
Have good people	Count	2	2	2	0	0	6
		.7%	.7%	1.7%	.0%	.0%	.7%
Doing a good job	Count	0	53	0	0	0	53
		.0%	18.8%	.0%	.0%	.0%	6.3%
Support the military	Count	0	3	0	0	0	3
		.0%	1.1%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.4%
Their national unity strategy	Count	0	2	0	0	0	2
		.0%	.7%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.2%
Did what they said they'd do	Count	0	3	0	0	0	3
		.0%	1.1%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.4%



STAT SHEET - NATIONSTATE 2008Q1B

Question - Why is _____ your first choice continued
[first ranked vote preference only]

		First Ranked Vote Preference					Total
		Liberal	Conservative	NDP	Bloc	Green	
They get things done	Count	0	10	0	0	0	10
		.0%	3.5%	.0%	.0%	.0%	1.2%
Fiscally responsible	Count	0	6	0	0	0	6
		.0%	2.1%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.7%
They are good for the West	Count	0	3	0	0	0	3
		.0%	1.1%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.4%
They lowered the GST	Count	0	2	0	0	0	2
		.0%	.7%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.2%
Eliminating gun registry	Count	0	2	0	0	0	2
		.0%	.7%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.2%
Not activists like the Liberals	Count	0	2	0	0	0	2
		.0%	.7%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.2%
Progressive views	Count	0	0	3	0	0	3
		.0%	.0%	2.5%	.0%	.0%	.4%
Others argue too much amongst themselves	Count	0	1	0	0	1	2
		.0%	.4%	.0%	.0%	1.4%	.2%
They stand up for Quebec/French	Count	0	0	1	32	0	33
		.0%	.0%	.8%	37.6%	.0%	3.9%
Am a separatist	Count	0	0	0	13	0	13
		.0%	.0%	.0%	15.3%	.0%	1.5%
Their position on Afghanistan	Count	0	1	1	0	0	2
		.0%	.4%	.8%	.0%	.0%	.2%
They are all the same	Count	1	0	0	0	0	1
		.4%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.0%	.1%
Am an "independist"	Count	0	0	1	0	0	1
		.0%	.0%	.8%	.0%	.0%	.1%
Unsure	Count	22	22	4	7	2	57
		7.7%	7.8%	3.3%	8.2%	2.9%	6.8%
Total	Count	284	282	120	85	70	841
		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**Note: Does not include undecided/leaning voters*