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Introduction and Methodology

- ◆ Gregg, Kelly, Sullivan & Woolstencroft: *The Strategic Counsel* is pleased to present findings of The Globe and Mail/CTV October Polling Program.
- ◆ The findings are based on interviews conducted by telephone among a national sample of 1,000 adult Canadians 18 years of age or older.
- ◆ In order to ensure a representative sample in Quebec, a oversample of 500 was conducted in this province.
- ◆ The interviews were conducted between October 6th and 13th, 2005.
- ◆ A sample of 1,000 yields a margin of error of +/- 3.1 percentage points, 19 times out of 20.
- ◆ Note: Due to rounding, proportions may not total exactly 100%.

Key Conclusions – Ten Years after the October 30th 1995 Referendum, Quebec remains Highly Polarized about its Future in Canada

- ◆ Quebecers are evenly divided (49% in favour versus 48% opposed) over whether they support or oppose holding another referendum on sovereignty, underscoring the extent of polarization within the province.
- ◆ This desire is strongest among the 18-34 age cohort, some 60% of whom favour another referendum. Support for holding another referendum declines with age, to 52% among the 35-49 age group and to 38% among those over the age of 50.
- ◆ Even more telling is the finding that the province would be evenly split (48% Yes; 47% No) if the referendum question of ten years ago was posed again today.
- ◆ Again, those between the ages of 18-34 (56%) are more likely than are those over the age of 50 (41%) to say that they would vote “yes”. Support for sovereignty association is also disproportionately high among males, higher income earners and voters residing in centers of 1 million plus population.
- ◆ Within Quebec, polarization is again evident on the issue of the proportion of vote sufficient for Quebec to separate. While 50% say that “50% +1” is sufficient, 47% feel a larger majority is required. Among these, 60% say that the result needs to be more than 65% before Quebec should be permitted to separate.
- ◆ Outside of Quebec, the viewpoint on this question is decidedly different – 74% of non-Quebecers believe 50% + 1 is not sufficient and that a larger majority would be required before the province should be allowed to separate.

Key Conclusions – The Clarity Act May Be The Key To Holding The Country Together

- ◆ About 6-in-10 (59%) Canadians outside Quebec expect that another referendum will be held within the next 5 years. This view is only modestly higher in Quebec (64%).
- ◆ About two-thirds (67%) across Canada (including Quebec) believe that any future referendum should be based on a question that directly raises the issue of whether Quebec wishes to secede from Canada.
- ◆ The single biggest surprise is the strong support (66%) for a clear question in another referendum. The fact that even a strong majority of Bloc voters endorse a clear question may reflect an inner desire to see finality on this issue that has dominated Quebec politics for over 40 years.
- ◆ Given the finding above, the best news for federalist supporters in Quebec may be that if a “harder” question is posed – something the federalists forces seem to be able to demand, with little fear of resistance – support for separation drops five points from 48% to 43% while support for remaining in Canada climbs from 47% to 53%. In essence, if federalists insist of imposing the terms of the Clarity Act on the next referendum, the balance is shifted from a cliff hanger to a 10 percentage point advantage of the “yes” over the “no” forces.

Key Conclusions – Quebecers Sense that Separatism has Some Momentum, However, Their Attachment to Canada Has Not Changed Dramatically

- ◆ A solid majority (59%) of Quebecers think that the next “yes” campaign would prevail. A significant proportion (44%) of Canadians outside Quebec also thinks that this will be the case.
- ◆ Consistent with other patterns, the 18-34 age group are the most likely to think that the “yes” campaign will be successful, while those over the age of 50 are the least likely to hold this view.
- ◆ Despite this perception of the possible inevitability of separation, there has been very little change in the affinity or attachment Quebecers feel towards Canada. Over 71% report no change, while 12% believe that there is greater attachment to Canada and 16% sense less attachment. Viewed another way, this finding would suggest that Quebecers feel no closer to Canada today than a decade earlier when they come within a hairs breadth of separating.

Key Conclusions – While most English-Canadians have not changed their views about Quebec, they seem quite sanguine about negotiating a new partnership with Quebec if they vote to separate....unless the vote is close!

- ◆ Almost two-thirds (64%) of Canadians outside Quebec have not changed their views about Quebec. Of the minority, almost twice as many say they have become more “hard line” (22%) rather than sympathetic towards Quebec (12%). “Hard line” sentiment is most pronounced in the Prairies (28%), and among Conservatives (33%), older (25%) and larger town voters (25%).
- ◆ Indeed, most Canadians believe that Canada would need to negotiate with Quebec in the advent of Quebec separating. Strong majorities across Canada believe that a new partnership would need to be negotiated.
- ◆ However, as noted above, if the vote was very close, English Canadian sentiment could change as they would be apt to claim this is an insufficient majority to tear the country asunder.

Key Conclusions – A Majority of Canadians think that the NDP Should Continue to Support the Liberal Government

- ◆ Canadians have conflicting feelings about the past role of the NDP in propping up the Liberal government. Indeed, the largest groups (42%) has “no opinion”. Those who have an opinion are divided over whether they have positive or negative opinions about the NDP deal with the Liberal minority government.
- ◆ Having said this, a majority of Canadians (56%) believe that the NDP should continue to support the government in order to undertake the country’s work. Support for this position is strongest in Ontario, while support is weakest in Quebec, which has been the most interested in the writ being dropped. Only just over one-third (37%) believe that the NDP should not continue to support the government.
- ◆ Support for the NDP continuing to prop up the Liberal government is strongest among women, the better educated, Anglophones, and residents of cities with population greater than 1 million. Solid majorities of Liberal (78%) and NDP voters (69%) also hold this view.

Key Conclusions – Martin’s Positives are Improving, While Harper’s Negatives Remain High

- ◆ Since May, there has been a steady improvement in Martin’s favourability ratings: from 42% to 49%. There is also evidence that Martin has started to turn his negative image in Quebec, where he has experienced the largest improvement in his positives – from 26% to 38%. More to the point, Martin strong negatives (i.e. “very unfavourable”) have dropped by a significant margin (40% to 27%) in the province. In the critical battleground of Ontario, Martin’s positives (54%) now exceed his negatives (46%).
- ◆ In contrast, Harper’s negatives remain high at 58%, up 8 percentage points since May (50%) but steady since our last June poll. Moreover, in vote-rich Ontario his negative ratings continue to grow (from 53% in May to 60% in June and now 62%).
- ◆ Layton continues to be Canada’s favourite federal leader with positives at 60%. Layton’s strength is based in the province of Ontario where he enjoys favourability scores of 64%. The fact that Layton receives his most favourable ratings among high income earners and in population centers of 1 million plus – key constituencies where his party is doing poorly – suggest his appeal has yet to translate into sustained voter support for the NDP.

Key Conclusions – The Liberals’ Lead Over the Conservatives Has Widened to 13 Points, Its Biggest Lead Since We Started to Track in Late April

- ◆ Despite intense media attention on the “Dingwall Affair”, the Liberals’ lead over the Conservatives has widened from 7 to 13 percentage points.
- ◆ Much of this increase in Liberal support has occurred in Ontario where their lead over the Conservatives has widened to 20 percentage points (Liberals at 50% and Conservatives at 30%).
- ◆ However, the Liberals continue to trail the Bloc by a significant margin in Quebec, after rebounding somewhat over the summer.
- ◆ While in the last election the Liberals and Conservatives were virtually tied in English Canada (outside Quebec), the Liberals now hold a significant 10 percentage points lead over the Conservatives in English Canada.

Quebec Referendum

Do Quebecers Favour Holding Another Referendum on Sovereignty?

	Quebec (n=500) %
NET In Favour	49
Strongly in favour	21
Somewhat in favour	28
Somewhat opposed	21
Strongly opposed	27
NET Opposed	48
DK/NA/Ref	3

Q.1 How would you feel about the idea of another referendum on sovereignty? Would you be strongly in favour, somewhat in favour, somewhat opposed or strongly opposed to holding such a referendum?

Base: Quebec only

Would Quebecers Vote “Yes” to a Referendum Using the Same Question as in 1995?

	Quebec (n=500) %
Yes	48
No	47
DK/NA/Ref	5

Q.2 If a referendum were held today on the same question as was asked in 1995 – that is, sovereignty with an offer of partnership with the rest of Canada, would you vote “yes” or would you vote “no” ?

Base: 1996-2004: Quebec decided voters, with undecided redistributed on a pro rata basis

2005: Quebec respondents (n=500)

Do Quebecers Support Seceding from Canada to Become an Independent Country?

	Quebec (n=500) %
Yes	43
No	53
DK/NA/Ref	4

Q.3 If a referendum were held today on a question that asked "should Quebec secede from Canada to become an independent country?", would you vote "yes" or would you vote "no"?

Base: Quebec respondents (n=500)

Is a Majority of 50% +1 Sufficient for Quebec to Separate?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
A majority of 50% + 1 is not sufficient to separate Quebec from Canada because such an important and irreversible decision requires a greater majority than 50% + 1	67	47	74	73	76
A majority of 50% +1 is sufficient to separate Quebec from Canada because all democratic decisions must reflect the principle of one person, one vote	29	50	22	23	20
DK/NA/Ref	4	3	4	4	5

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.4 Which of the following two statements more closely reflects your own opinion on the result of a potential Quebec referendum...?

Base: All respondents

If 50 +1 is Not Enough, Then How Much is Needed?

	Canada (n=673) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=236) %	Rest of Canada* (n=554) %	Ontario (n=275) %	West (n=224) %
More than 55%	12	14	11	11	10
More than 60%	18	26	18	21	13
More than 65%	15	18	14	12	17
More than 70%	54	41	57	56	59
DK/NA/Ref	1	1	1	1	1

**Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec*

Q.4a (IF SAID MORE THAN 50% + 1) Should it be...?
 Base: Among those who said 50% + 1 is not sufficient

Do Canadians Support the Requirement for a Clear Question about Quebec Seceding from Canada?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
NET Agree	67	66	68	69	66
Strongly agree	31	31	31	31	33
Agree	36	35	37	38	33
Disagree	14	15	14	12	15
Strongly disagree	12	16	10	12	10
NET Disagree	26	31	24	24	25
DK/NA/Ref	7	3	8	7	9

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.5 The so-called “Clarity Bill” enacted by the Parliament of Canada says that in order for a “yes” vote in an eventual referendum on Quebec sovereignty to be recognized, the question should directly ask whether Quebec should secede from Canada or not. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with this requirement?

Base: All respondents

How did Quebec Respondents Vote in 1995?

<i>Eligible to vote in 1995 referendum?</i>	Quebec (n=500) %
Yes	78
No	22
DK/NA/Ref	-

<i>Among those eligible, vote cast</i>	Quebec (n=391) %
For sovereignty	49
Against sovereignty	44
DK/NA/Ref	7

Q.6 To the best of your recollection, were you eligible to vote in the 1995 referendum?

Base: Quebec respondents

Q6a. And did you vote for or against sovereignty with an offer for partnership with the rest of Canada?

Base: Quebec respondents who were eligible to vote in 1995 referendum

Have Quebecers Become More Sovereigntist or More Federalist Since 1995?

	Quebec (n=500) %
NET More Sovereigntist	23
Significantly more sovereigntist	10
Somewhat more sovereigntist	13
Haven't changed views	60
Somewhat more federalist	10
Significantly more federalist	6
NET More Federalist	16
DK/NA/Ref	1

Q.7 Since that time, would you say you have become significantly more sovereigntist, somewhat more sovereigntist, haven't changed your views, become somewhat more federalist or significantly more federalist?

Base: Quebec respondents

Do Canadians Think that Another Referendum on Sovereignty is Likely?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
NET Likely	59	64	57	56	56
Very likely	21	23	20	19	20
Somewhat likely	38	41	37	37	36
Not very likely	24	22	25	27	25
Not likely at all	13	12	14	13	15
NET Not Likely	37	34	39	40	40
DK/NA/Ref	4	2	4	4	4

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.8 How likely do you think it is that another referendum on Quebec sovereignty will be held within the next 5 yearsvery likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not likely at all?

Base: All respondents

Do Canadians Think that a Majority of Quebecers Would Vote Yes in the Advent of Another Referendum?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
NET Majority would vote “yes”	49	59	44	42	44
Large majority would vote “yes”	20	29	16	14	18
Small majority would vote “yes”	29	30	28	28	26
Small majority would vote “no”	19	13	22	22	23
Large majority would vote “no”	25	23	26	29	24
NET Majority would vote “no”	44	36	48	51	47
DK/NA/Ref	7	5	8	7	9

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.9 Suppose another referendum on sovereignty was held in Quebec within the next 5 years. Do you think a large majority would vote “yes”, a small majority would vote “yes”, a small majority would vote “no” or a large majority would vote “no” ?

Base: All respondents

Are All Provinces Equal or is Canada a Pact Between Two Founding Nations?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
All provinces in Canada should be treated equally	81	66	85	83	86
Canada is a pact between two founding groups – English and French	17	31	13	14	11
DK/NA/Ref	3	3	3	2	4

**Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec*

Q.10 Which view best reflects your own: that all provinces in Canada should be treated equally OR that Canada is a pact between two founding groups –English and French?

Base: All respondents

Are Canadians More Sympathetic or More Hard-line Towards Quebec?

	Region		
	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
More sympathetic	12	13	12
No change in views towards Quebec	64	67	62
More hard-line	22	20	24
DK/NA/Ref	2	1	2

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.11 Over the past few years, would you say that you have become more sympathetic towards Quebec, that you have become more hard-line or that there has been no change in your views towards Quebec?

Base: All respondents, excluding Quebec

Do Quebecers Feel a Stronger or a Weaker Attachment to Canada?

	Quebec (n=500) %
Greater attachment	12
No change in view	71
Less attachment	16
DK/NA/Ref	1

Q.12 Over the past few years, would you say that you have felt a greater attachment to the rest of Canada, less attachment or that there has been no change in your views towards the rest of Canada?

Base: Quebec respondents

Should Canada Negotiate with Quebec in the Advent of a Successful Referendum on Sovereignty?

Should the rest of Canada negotiate the departure of Quebec?	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
Yes	62	59	62	62	61
No	35	37	34	35	34
DK/NA/Ref	3	4	4	3	5

Should it also negotiate a new partnership with an independent Quebec?	Canada (n=615) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=297) %	Rest of Canada* (n=464) %	Ontario (n=234) %	West (n=181) %
Yes	76	91	72	72	74
No	21	8	25	23	24
DK/NA/Ref	2	1	3	5	2

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.13 And if there were another referendum in Quebec and a clear majority of Quebecers did in fact wish to separate, do you think the rest of Canada should negotiate the departure of Quebec?

Base: All respondents

Q.14 (If yes, ask) Should it also negotiate a new partnership with an independent Quebec?

Base: Those who think the rest of Canada should negotiate the departure of Quebec

Are Canadians Favourable to the Arrangement Between the NDP and the Liberal Government?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
NET Positive Opinion	28	23	29	33	26
Very positive	8	3	10	12	10
Somewhat positive	20	20	19	21	16
No opinion	42	47	40	38	40
Somewhat negative	15	19	14	16	13
Very negative	14	11	15	12	18
NET Negative Opinion	29	30	29	28	31
DK/NA/Ref	2	1	2	1	3

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.15 As you probably know, there is a minority government in Ottawa and it must get the support of at least some members of the opposition if it is to stay in power. Last year, they struck a deal and agreed to pass certain legislation in exchange for the NDPs support. From what you know, do you have a very positive opinion of that arrangement, a somewhat positive opinion, no opinion, a somewhat negative opinion or a very negative opinion of the arrangement between the minority Liberal government and the NDP

Base: All respondents

Should the NDP Keep Supporting the Liberal Government?

	Canada (n=1000) %	Region			
		Quebec (n=500) %	Rest of Canada* (n=753) %	Ontario (n=379) %	West (n=297) %
The NDP should continue to support the government because it is important that parliament pass new laws and legislation.	56	44	58	61	54
The NDP should not be supporting the government because it is time for an election.	37	47	34	31	38
DK/NA/Ref	7	9	8	7	9

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.16 Some people are saying that the NDP should continue to support the government because it is important that parliament pass new laws and legislation. Others say the NDP should not be supporting the government because it is time for an election. Which one of these two views best represents your own?

Base: All respondents

Federal Vote

Overall Impression of Party Leaders

	May8 (n=1000)			Jun9 (n=1000)			Oct14 (n=1000)			Shift in Favourability (since May 8 th) %
	Favourable %	Not Favourable %	NET %	Favourable %	Not Favourable %	NET %	Favourable %	Not Favourable %	NET %	
Paul Martin	42	58	-16	44	56	-12	49	51	-2	+7
Stephen Harper	50	50	0	40	60	-20	42	58	-16	-8
Jack Layton	63	37	+26	61	39	+22	60	40	+20	-3
Gilles Duceppe	72	28	+44	70	30	+40	68	32	+36	-4

Q.17-20 Generally speaking, would you say your overall impression of (READ AND ROTATE Q.17-20) is very favourable, somewhat favourable, somewhat unfavourable or very unfavourable? Percentages shown are the sum of the “very” and “somewhat” for each category.

Base: Excludes “don’t know, refused” responses.

What is Your Overall Impression of Paul Martin?

	Canada			Region								
				Quebec			Rest of Canada*			Ontario		
	May8 (n=1000) %	Jun9 (n=1000) %	Oct14 (n=1000) %	May8 (n=247) %	Jun9 (n=247) %	Oct14 (n=500) %	May8 (n=753) %	Jun9 (n=753) %	Oct14 (n=753) %	May8 (n=379) %	Jun9 (n=379) %	Oct14 (n=379) %
NET Somewhat/ Very Favourable	42	44	49	26	33	38	47	47	51	48	51	54
Very Favourable	7	6	9	5	4	7	8	6	9	8	8	10
Somewhat Favourable	35	38	40	21	29	31	39	41	42	40	43	44
Somewhat Unfavourable	31	28	28	34	28	35	30	28	26	31	27	27
Very Unfavourable	27	28	23	40	39	27	24	25	23	21	22	19
NET Somewhat/ Very Unfavourable	58	56	51	74	67	62	53	53	49	52	49	46

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.17-20 Generally speaking, would you say your overall impression of (READ AND ROTATE Q.17-20) is very favourable, somewhat favourable, somewhat unfavourable or very unfavourable?

Base: Excludes "don't know, refused" responses.

What is Your Overall Impression of Stephen Harper?

	Canada			Region								
				Quebec			Rest of Canada*			Ontario		
	May8 (n=1000) %	Jun9 (n=1000) %	Oct14 (n=1000) %	May8 (n=247) %	Jun9 (n=247) %	Oct14 (n=500) %	May8 (n=753) %	Jun9 (n=753) %	Oct14 (n=753) %	May8 (n=379) %	Jun9 (n=379) %	Oct14 (n=379) %
NET Somewhat/ Very Favourable	50	40	42	44	38	38	51	40	43	47	40	38
Very Favourable	12	7	9	5	3	5	14	8	9	13	7	6
Somewhat Favourable	38	33	33	39	35	33	37	32	34	33	33	32
Somewhat Unfavourable	30	27	29	36	32	31	27	26	29	31	24	31
Very Unfavourable	21	33	29	21	29	31	21	34	28	23	35	31
NET Somewhat/ Very Unfavourable	50	60	58	57	61	62	49	60	57	53	60	62

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.17-20 Generally speaking, would you say your overall impression of (READ AND ROTATE Q.17-20) is very favourable, somewhat favourable, somewhat unfavourable or very unfavourable?

Base: Excludes "don't know, refused" responses.

What is Your Overall Impression of Jack Layton?

	Canada			Region								
				Quebec			Rest of Canada*			Ontario		
	May8 (n=1000) %	Jun9 (n=1000) %	Oct14 (n=1000) %	May8 (n=247) %	Jun9 (n=247) %	Oct14 (n=500) %	May8 (n=753) %	Jun9 (n=753) %	Oct14 (n=753) %	May8 (n=379) %	Jun9 (n=379) %	Oct14 (n=379) %
NET Somewhat/ Very Favourable	63	61	60	65	60	55	62	62	61	66	66	64
Very Favourable	12	13	11	10	9	8	12	14	12	14	17	12
Somewhat Favourable	51	48	49	56	51	47	50	47	49	52	49	52
Somewhat Unfavourable	26	26	26	27	26	32	25	26	24	23	23	22
Very Unfavourable	12	13	14	8	14	13	13	12	15	11	11	14
NET Somewhat/ Very Unfavourable	37	39	40	35	40	45	38	38	39	34	34	36

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

Q.17-20 Generally speaking, would you say your overall impression of (READ AND ROTATE Q.17-20) is very favourable, somewhat favourable, somewhat unfavourable or very unfavourable?

Base: Excludes "don't know, refused" responses.

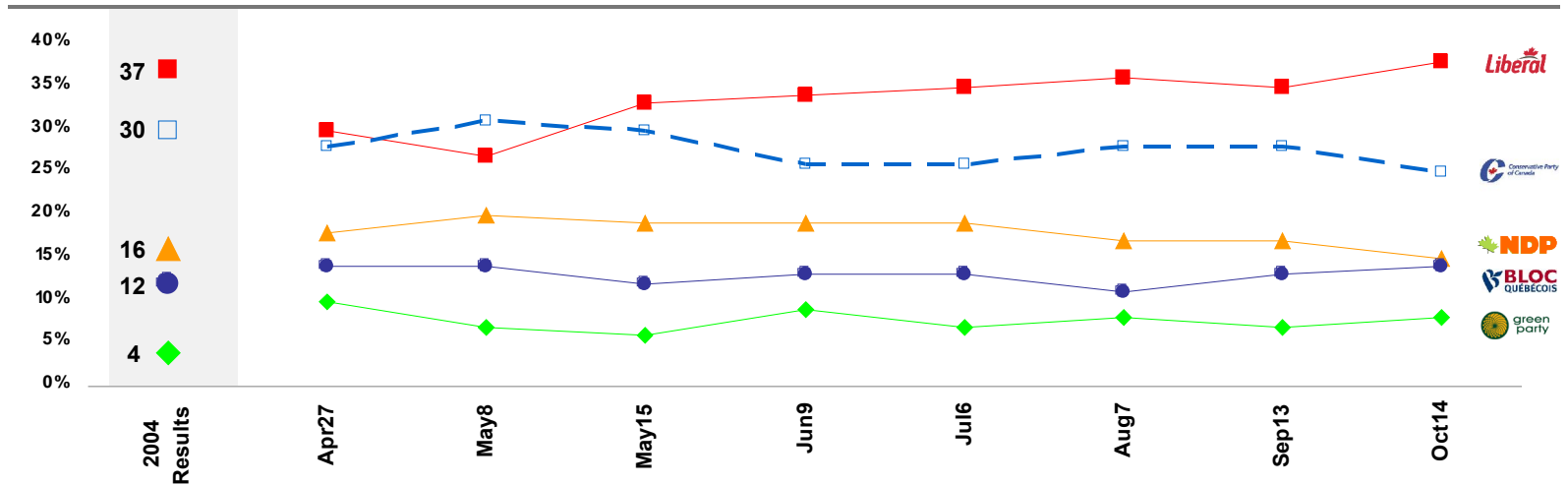
What is Your Overall Impression of Gilles Duceppe?

	Quebec		
	May8 (n=247) %	Jun9 (n=247) %	Oct14 (n=500) %
NET Somewhat/Very Favourable	72	70	68
Very Favourable	28	30	23
Somewhat Favourable	45	40	45
Somewhat Unfavourable	18	15	18
Very Unfavourable	10	15	14
NET Somewhat/Very Unfavourable	28	30	32

Q.17-20 Generally speaking, would you say your overall impression of (READ AND ROTATE Q.17-20) is very favourable, somewhat favourable, somewhat unfavourable or very unfavourable?

Base: Excludes "don't know, refused" responses.

How would Canadians vote if an election were held today?



		Canada							
	2004 Election Results	Apr27 (n=1000) %	May8 (n=1000) %	May15 (n=1500) %	Jun9 (n=1000) %	Jul6 (n=1000) %	Aug7 (n=1000) %	Sep13 (n=1000) %	Oct14 (n=1000) %
Liberal	37	30	27	33	34	35	36	35	38
Conservative	30	28	31	30	26	26	28	28	25
NDP	16	18	20	19	19	19	17	17	15
Bloc Quebecois	12	14	14	12	13	13	11	13	14
Green Party	4	10	7	6	9	7	8	7	8

Q.21 If the election was being held tomorrow, do you think you'd be supporting the Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, or the Green Party candidate in your area or (Quebec only) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?

Q.22 In that case, which party's candidate in your local area would you be leaning towards at this time? Would it be the Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, or the Green Party candidate in your area or (Quebec only) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?

Base: Excludes "other, don't know, refused, undecided, won't vote" responses

How would Canadians vote if an election were held today?

Regional Distribution

	Region																	
	Quebec									Rest of Canada*								
	2004 Election Results %	Apr27 (n=219) %	May8 (n=224) %	May15 (n=337) %	Jun9 (n=203) %	Jul6 (n=247) %	Aug7 (n=247) %	Sep13 (n=247) %	Oct14 (n=500) %	2004 Election Results %	Apr27 (n=687) %	May8 (n=776) %	May15 (n=1002) %	Jun9 (n=777) %	Jul6 (n=753) %	Aug7 (n=753) %	Sep13 (n=753) %	Oct14 (n=753) %
Liberal	34	16	16	25	22	28	31	25	25	38	35	31	36	37	37	34	38	42
Conservative	9	9	8	14	8	6	7	12	7	37	34	39	36	32	34	37	34	31
NDP	5	8	11	9	12	11	10	7	6	19	21	23	22	21	22	21	21	18
Green Party	3	12	8	4	8	5	6	6	6	5	10	7	6	9	8	8	7	9
Bloc Quebecois	49	55	56	48	51	51	46	51	57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Ontario								
	2004 Election Results %	Apr27 (n=329) %	May8 (n=338) %	May15 (n=509) %	Jun9 (n=304) %	Jul6 (n=379) %	Aug7 (n=380) %	Sep13 (n=380) %	Oct14 (n=379) %
Liberal	45	38	34	43	41	41	41	42	50
Conservative	32	30	35	30	31	31	33	29	30
NDP	18	23	25	21	19	22	17	22	12
Green Party	4	9	7	6	10	6	9	7	8
Bloc Quebecois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

*Note: Rest of Canada includes all provinces except Quebec

- Q.21 If the election was being held tomorrow, do you think you'd be supporting the Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, or the Green Party candidate in your area or (Quebec only) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?
- Q.22 In that case, which party's candidate in your local area would you be leaning towards at this time? Would it be the Liberal candidate in your area, Conservative candidate in your area, the NDP candidate in your area, or the Green Party candidate in your area or (Quebec only) Bloc Quebecois candidate in your area?
- Base: Excludes "other, don't know, refused, undecided, won't vote" responses