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## Liberals score higher but Harper remains at 12 month high



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The weekly Nanos tracking on the state-of-play on the federal political situation shows opinion tightening between the Liberals and the Conservatives. The Liberals scored 57 points out of 100 on the Nanos Party Power Index followed by the Conservatives at 54 points, the NDP at 49 points, the Green Party at 31 points and the BQ at 27 points (QC only).

The Nanos Party Power Index methodology is comprised of a basket of political goods that includes ballot preferences, accessible voters, preferred PM views and evaluations of the leaders. It is modeled similar to a standard confidence index. It is a random telephone survey conducted with live agents, reaching out to Canadians through a land- and cell-line dual frame sample.

Harper remains at a 12 month high on the preferred Prime Minister front. Thirty four per cent of Canadians said Harper was their preferred choice as PM followed by 31 per cent who said Trudeau was their preferred choice for PM. Mulcair was the preferred choice of 17 per cent followed by May at four percent and 12 per cent were unsure.

Asked a series of independent questions as to whether they would consider or not consider voting for each of the federal parties, 52 per cent of Canadians would consider voting Liberal while 44 per cent would consider voting Conservative, 42 per cent would consider voting NDP and 24 per cent would consider voting for the Greens.

Readers should note that with more than 12 months of weekly tracking, Nanos is now calculating highs, lows and averages for the key Nanos tracking variables in the public domain. This will allow our subscribers and clients to better contextualize the data.

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