



BC 2026 Election Syndicate

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Methodology

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Sample	Mixed-mode survey of BC adults (18+), online panel plus IVR. Wave 3: n=2,202 (1,502 online, 700 IVR). Wave 2: n=1,483; wave 1: n=1,438; benchmark: n=3,017.
Field dates	Wave 3: October 15 to 21, 2026. Every wave 3 interview was completed after the October 14 leaders' debate. Benchmark: September 23 to 30; wave 1: October 1 to 7; wave 2: October 8 to 14.
Reporting	Final report before the October 24 election. Trend lines show full results for the benchmark and the three tracking waves, plus the <i>Western Canadian Perspective</i> (March and June 2026).
Weighting	Logit weights: region, gender and age (likely electorate), online and IVR separately.
Regions	Metro Vancouver includes Langley, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, White Rock and the Sea to Sky; the Island includes the Sunshine Coast and Powell River; Interior / North includes the Fraser Valley (FV).
Reliability	Online panels cannot be assigned a margin of error. A probability sample of n=2,202 would carry a margin of error of +/- 2.1%, 19 times out of 20; larger for subgroups, as below.
Language	English.

REGION	SAMPLE SIZE (Unweighted)	MARGIN OF ERROR
Metro Vancouver	1,136	+/- 2.9%
Vancouver Island	412	+/- 4.8%
Interior / North / FV	654	+/- 3.8%
TOTAL BC	2,202	+/- 2.1%



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State of the Race

- **The BC Conservatives lead by five:** 42% to 37% among decided voters, Greens 13%; from a tie at the October 1 benchmark (38% - 38%) and 40% - 37% in wave 2, before the debate.
- **Projected popular vote, Con +6:** adjusting for which parties are on the ballot in each riding, BC Conservatives 45%, BC NDP 39%, Greens 12%, One BC 2%, Centre BC 2%.
- **Metro Vancouver has moved:** 44% - 37% BC Conservative, from 40% - 39% BC NDP before the debate. Vancouver Island has narrowed to NDP +4 (NDP +13 in wave 2); Interior / North / Fraser Valley is Con +11.
- **Men have moved; women are split:** men favour the BC Conservatives 45% - 34% (Con +11, from Con +6 in wave 2); women are 40% - 39%.



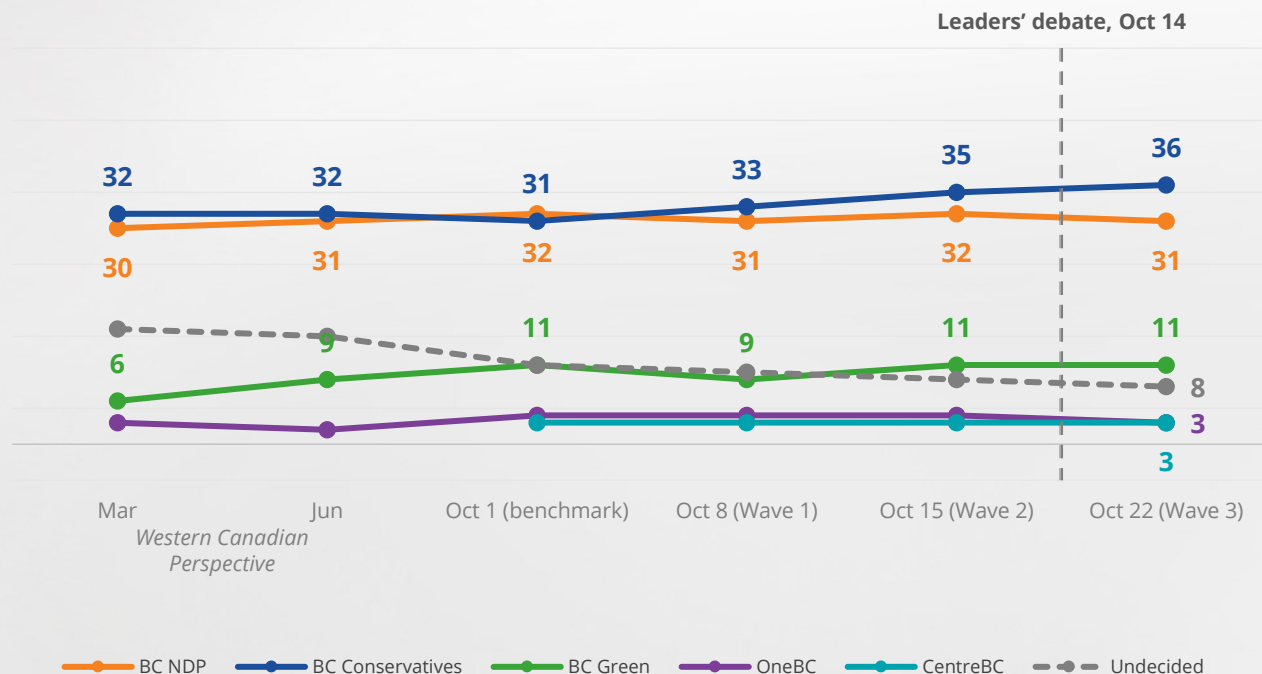
42% - 37%

BC Conservatives and BC NDP
among decided voters, after the
debate

Raw vote: BC Conservatives 36%, BC NDP 31% of all respondents

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VOTE INTENT, ALL RESPONDENTS (INCLUDING LEANERS)



31% / 36%

BC NDP / BC Conservatives,
all respondents
vs 32% / 35% in full wave 2

8%

Undecided
vs 9% in full wave 2



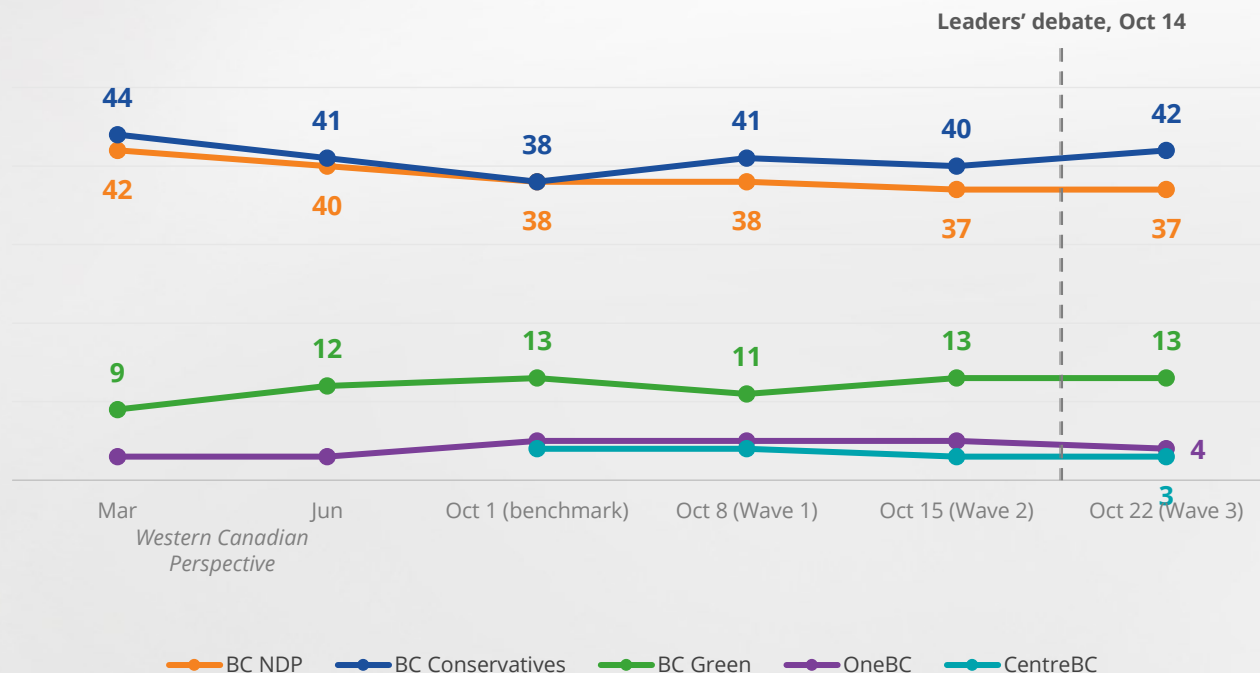
If a provincial election were held in British Columbia today, which party would you most likely vote for? Is there a party you are leaning towards?

Base: all respondents, n=2,202 (1,502 online, 700 IVR), October 15 to 21, 2026. Includes leaners. Not shown: other party 1%, would not vote 5%, prefer not to say 1%. Undecided is after the leaner question. Points are dated the day after fieldwork closed: benchmark September 23 to 30, wave 1 October 1 to 7, wave 2 October 8 to 14 (before the debate), wave 3 October 15 to 21.

Decided vote: BC Conservatives 42%, BC NDP 37% after the debate

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DECIDED VOTE



37% / 42%

BC NDP / BC Conservatives,
decided voters
vs 37% / 40% in full wave 2

Con +5

Lead, decided voters
Con +3 in full wave 2



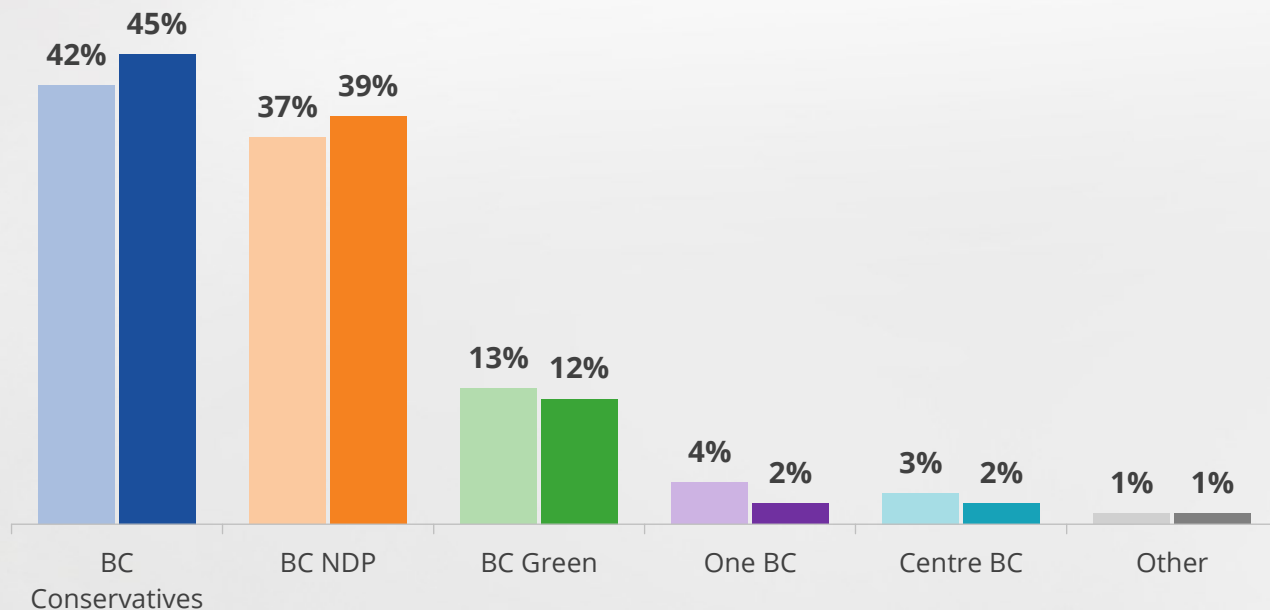
If a provincial election were held in British Columbia today, which party would you most likely vote for? Is there a party you are leaning towards?

Base: decided voters, n=1,950, October 15 to 21, 2026. Points are dated the day after fieldwork closed: benchmark September 23 to 30, wave 1 October 1 to 7, wave 2 October 8 to 14 (before the debate), wave 3 October 15 to 21.

Projected popular vote: BC Conservatives 45%, BC NDP 39% once we account for who is on the ballot

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WAVE 3 DECIDED VOTE (LIGHT) AND PROJECTED POPULAR VOTE (DARK)



39% / 45%

BC NDP / BC Conservatives,
projected popular vote
vs 37% / 42% among decided
voters

Con +6

Projected lead
Con +5 among decided voters

Q Projected popular vote: wave 3 decided vote adjusted for which parties have a candidate in each riding (Elections BC final list: BC Conservatives 93, BC NDP 92, Greens 73, Centre BC 35, One BC 33 of 93). Supporters of a party with no local candidate are moved to their stated second choice (online decided voters, waves 1 and 3 pooled), by Pollara subregion. Base: decided voters, wave 3, n=1,950, October 15 to 21, 2026. Shows the effect of the ballot only; it does not model turnout or late movement.

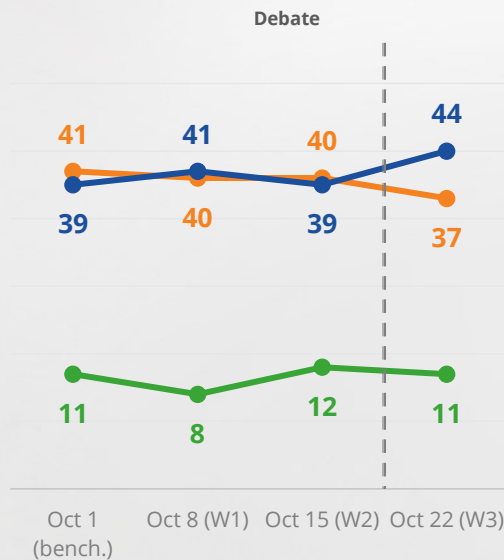
Regional tracking: Metro Vancouver moved; the Island tightened

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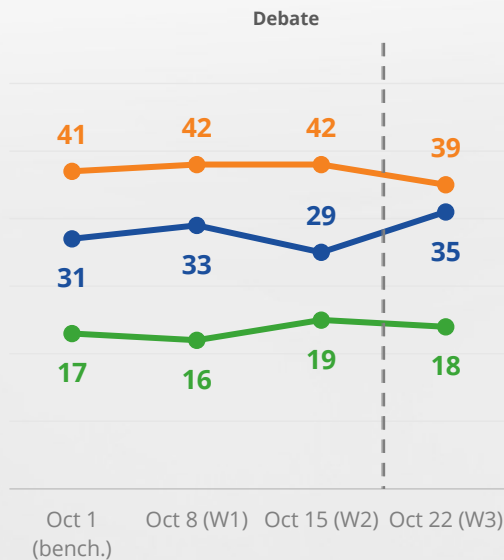
DECIDED VOTE BY REGION, EACH WAVE (BC NDP, BC CONSERVATIVES AND BC GREEN)

● BC NDP ● BC Conservatives ● BC Green

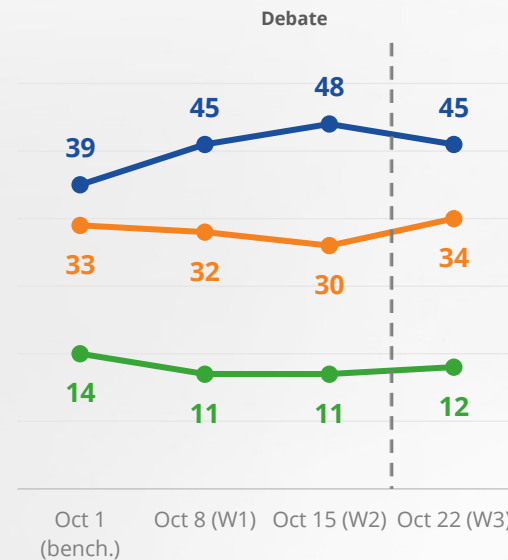
Metro Vancouver



Vancouver Island



Interior / North (incl. Fraser Valley)



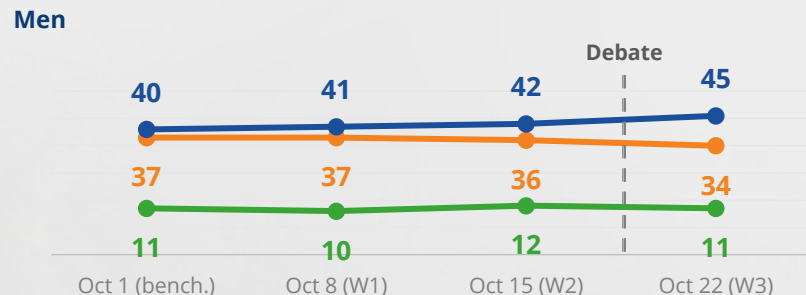
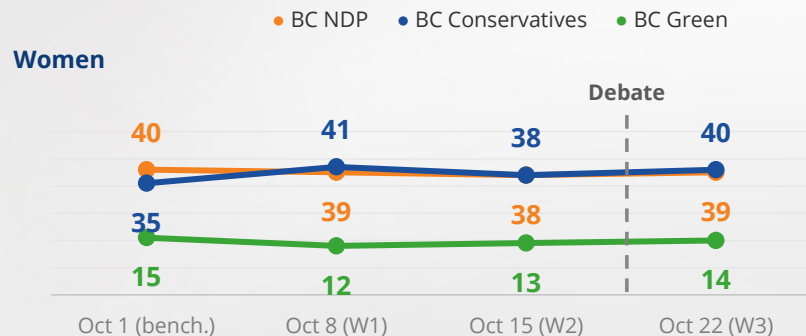
If a provincial election were held in British Columbia today, which party would you most likely vote for? Is there a party you are leaning towards?

Base: decided voters. Regional bases (benchmark / wave 1 / wave 2 / wave 3): Metro Vancouver 1,295 / 679 / 699 / 997; Vancouver Island 529 / 217 / 220 / 373; Interior / North incl. Fraser Valley 698 / 339 / 387 / 580. Benchmark n=3,017 (September 23 to 30); wave 1 n=1,438 (October 1 to 7); wave 2 n=1,483 (October 8 to 14, before the debate); wave 3 n=2,202 (October 15 to 21, 2026, after the debate). Points are dated the day after fieldwork closed.

Gender and age: men have moved; women are split

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DECIDED VOTE BY GENDER, EACH WAVE, AND BY GENDER AND AGE, THIS RELEASE



Group	NDP	Con	Green	Lead	n
Women 18 to 34	38%	35%	19%	NDP +3	124
Women 35 to 49	35%	44%	14%	Con +9	246
Women 50 to 64	36%	43%	12%	Con +7	291
Women 65+	47%	35%	13%	NDP +12	376
Men 18 to 34	19%	53%	13%	Con +34	104
Men 35 to 49	37%	38%	15%	Con +1	204
Men 50 to 64	34%	42%	12%	Con +8	224
Men 65+	38%	48%	7%	Con +10	377

- Women are split (Con +1): in recent years the BC NDP has typically led among women by 8 to 12 points, but it has not led among them since the benchmark at the start of the campaign.
- Men have moved from Con +6 in wave 2 to Con +11.
- Women 65+ remain the BC NDP's strongest group (NDP +12); men 18 to 34 are the BC Conservatives' strongest (Con +34).



If a provincial election were held in British Columbia today, which party would you most likely vote for? Is there a party you are leaning towards?

Base: decided voters. Women (benchmark / wave 1 / wave 2 / wave 3): 1,299 / 600 / 626 / 1,037; men: 1,222 / 633 / 673 / 909. Gender and age table: wave 3 only. Benchmark n=3,017 (September 23 to 30); wave 1 n=1,438 (October 1 to 7); wave 2 n=1,483 (October 8 to 14, before the debate); wave 3 n=2,202 (October 15 to 21, 2026, after the debate). Points are dated the day after fieldwork closed.



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WAVE 3 FINAL REPORT

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