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Methodology

Online survey conducted with citizens who are eligible to vote across all regions Quebec.

This study was conducted online with **1,006 Quebecers who are eligible to vote in Quebec**, between **February 1 and February 4, 2016** in all regions of the province.

Weighting and Margin of Error

Final survey data were weighted based on the 2011 census according to age, gender, mother tongue, region, and level of education in order to guarantee a representative sample of the Canadian population.

For comparative purposes, a random sample of **1,006 respondents** would yield a margin of error of **+/- 3.1%** respectively, 19 times out of 20.

Online Survey

Survey respondents were selected randomly from LegerWeb's Internet panel, which includes 400,000 Canadian households, and according to a stratification process applied to invitation lists, which ensures optimal respondent representativeness. Panelists were recruited randomly from Leger's telephone surveys. Several quality control measures were implemented to ensure that Leger's surveys with Internet panelists are representative and reliable. Leger has obtained Gold Seal Certification from the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association, the highest reliability rating conferred by the association.

How to Read Tables

In the following tables, data in bold and **red** indicate a significantly higher proportion than that of other respondents. Conversely, data in bold and **blue** indicate a significantly lower proportion than that of other respondents.

Detailed Results

1. Provincial Politics in Quebec

Provincial Voting Intentions in Quebec

Q1 et Q2: If PROVINCIAL elections were held today, for which political party would you be most likely to vote? If a respondent had no opinion, the following question was asked: Even if you have not yet made up your mind, for which of the following political parties would you be most likely to vote?

Would it be for...?

	Before distribution	After distribution	Francophones	Anglophones / Other languages	November 2015	
Weighted n=	1,005	798	622	176	866	
Unweighted n=	1,006	844	658	186	891	
...Philippe Couillard's Québec Liberal Party	28%	36%	25%	74%	35%	↑1%
...Pierre Karl Péladeau's Parti Québécois	23%	29%	37%	2%	32%	↓3%
...François Legault's Coalition Avenir Québec	16%	21%	24%	10%	20%	↑1%
...Françoise David's Québec Solidaire party	8%	10%	10%	8%	10%	
...another party	4%	5%	4%	6%	3%	↑2%
I would not vote	4%	-	-	-	-	
I would cancel my vote	7%	-	-	-	-	
I don't know	8%	-	-	-	-	
I prefer not to answer	2%	-	-	-	-	

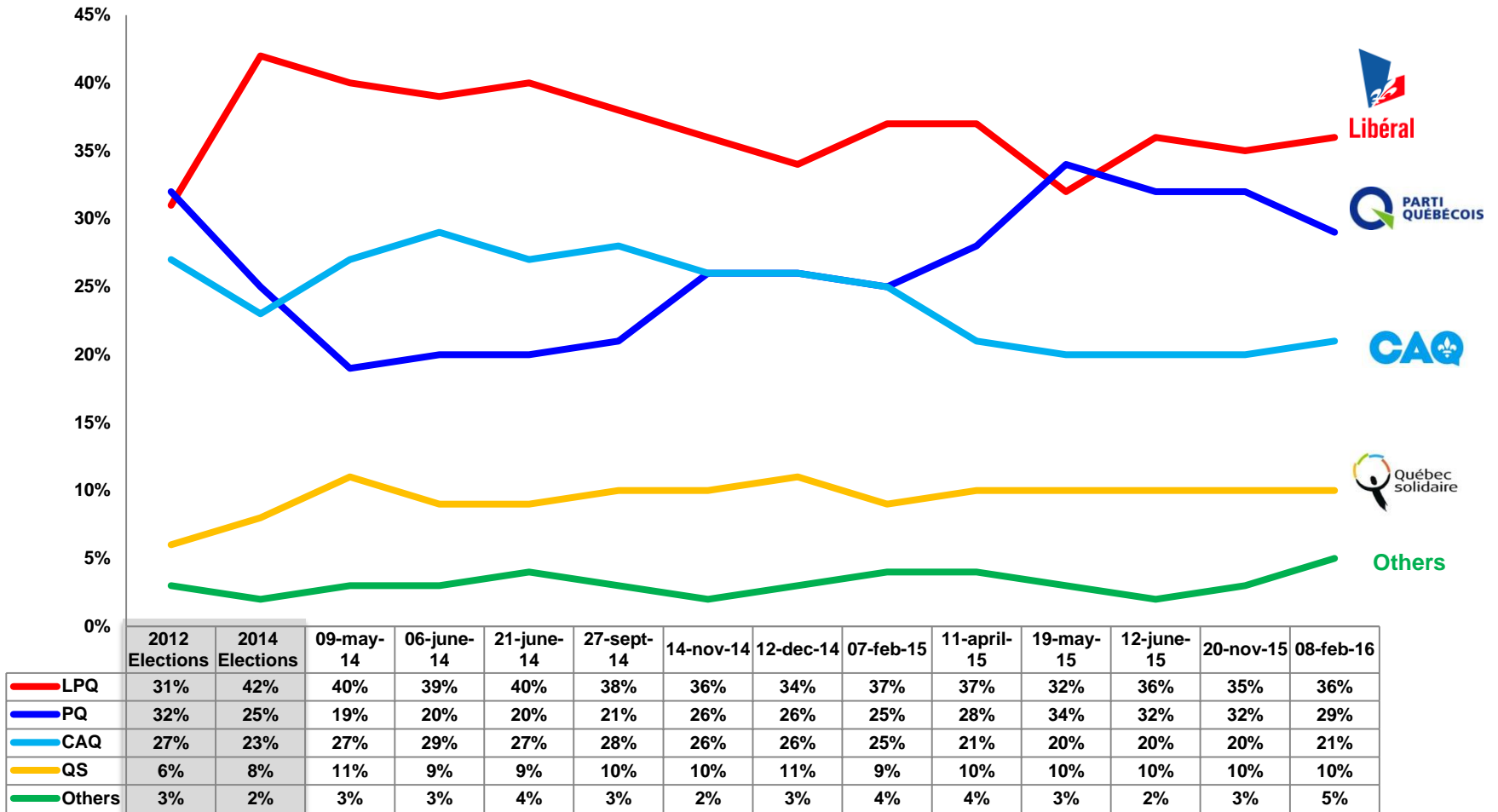
Provincial Voting Intentions in Quebec by Region

Q1 et Q2: If PROVINCIAL elections were held today, for which political party would you be most likely to vote? If a respondent had no opinion, the following question was asked: Even if you have not yet made up your mind, for which of the following political parties would you be most likely to vote?

Would it be for...?

	After distribution	MTL CMA	QC CMA	Rest of QC
Weighted n=	798	383	87	328
Unweighted n=	844	328	275	241
...Philippe Couillard's Québec Liberal Party	36%	42%	43%	27%
...Pierre Karl Péladeau's Parti Québécois	29%	28%	17%	34%
...François Legault's Coalition Avenir Québec	21%	15%	21%	27%
...Françoise David's Québec Solidaire party	10%	10%	11%	9%
...another party	5%	6%	8%	2%

Tracking Voting Intentions in Quebec



Satisfaction with the Quebec Government

Q3: Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the Quebec government led by Philippe Couillard?

	Feb. 2016	Language		Voting Intentions				Nov. 2015
		Franco	Anglo / Other languages	LPQ	PQ	CAQ	QS	
Weighted n=	1,005	791	214	286	233	166	77	1,000
Unweighted n=	1,006	791	215	328	212	170	87	1,001
NET SATISFIED	29%	23%	53%	79%	4%	22%	8%	33% ↓4%
Very satisfied	5%	3%	10%	15%	1%	1%	0%	5%
Somewhat satisfied	25%	20%	43%	64%	3%	20%	8%	28%
NET DISSATISFIED	62%	70%	32%	16%	95%	72%	92%	60% ↑2%
Somewhat dissatisfied	30%	33%	21%	15%	35%	44%	24%	26%
Very dissatisfied	32%	37%	12%	1%	60%	27%	68%	34%
I don't know	8%	6%	14%	5%	1%	6%	0%	6%
I prefer not to answer	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%

Best Provincial Party Leader

Q4: In your opinion, which provincial party leader would make the best premier of Quebec?

	Feb. 2016	Language		Regions			Nov. 2015	
		Franco	Anglo / Other languages	MTL CMA	QC CMA	Rest of Quebec		
Weighted n=	1,005	791	214	476	101	428	1 000	
Unweighted n=	1,006	791	215	395	311	300	1 001	
Philippe Couillard	23%	17%	42%	26%	35%	16%	24%	↓ 1%
Pierre Karl Péladeau	17%	21%	2%	16%	13%	19%	22%	↓ 5%
François Legault	15%	18%	6%	11%	14%	20%	15%	
Françoise David	11%	12%	5%	9%	11%	12%	8%	↑ 3%
Someone else	5%	3%	10%	7%	7%	2%	5%	
None of them	16%	17%	11%	17%	15%	15%	13%	↑ 3%
I don't know	13%	11%	21%	13%	5%	15%	11%	
I prefer not to answer	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	

Referendum Voting Intentions

Q5 et Q6: If a referendum were held today on the sovereignty of Quebec, would you vote FOR or AGAINST Quebec sovereignty?

	Before distribution	After distribution	Francophone	Anglophone / Other languages	Nov. 2015	
Weighted n=	1,005	910	714	196	914	
Unweighted n=	1,006	939	736	203	940	
For	32%	35%	43%	8%	39%	↓ 4%
Against	59%	65%	57%	92%	61%	↑ 4%
I don't know	8%	-	-	-	-	
I prefer not to answer	2%	-	-	-	-	

	After distribution	LPQ	PQ	CAQ	QS
Weighted n=	910	274	229	152	74
Unweighted n=	939	319	207	160	83
For	35%	5%	80%	25%	53%
Against	65%	95%	20%	75%	47%

Opinion of the Premier's Cabinet Shuffle

Q7: Does the premier of Québec's cabinet shuffle change your opinion favourably, unfavourably, or it has no impact on your opinion of Philippe Couillard's government?

	Total	Voting Intentions			
		LPQ	PQ	CAQ	QS
Weighted n=	1,005	286	233	166	77
Unweighted n=	1,006	328	212	170	87
Changes my opinion favourably	9%	22%	3%	3%	3%
Changes my opinion unfavourably	11%	5%	11%	17%	13%
Has no impact on my opinion	68%	63%	80%	72%	78%
I don't know	11%	10%	6%	8%	5%
I prefer not to answer	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Perceptions on Achieving a Balanced Budget in Quebec

Q8: The Government of Québec has committed to tabling a balanced budget in 2016-2017. In your opinion, will it succeed or not?

	Total	Voting Intentions			
		LPQ	PQ	CAQ	QS
Weighted n=	1,005	286	233	166	77
Unweighted n=	1,006	328	212	170	87
Yes, it will succeed	20%	36%	13%	14%	14%
No, it will not succeed	54%	36%	64%	63%	56%
I don't know	26%	28%	22%	23%	29%
I prefer not to answer	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%

Opinion on the Creation of a Registry for Non-Restricted Firearms

Q9: Do you agree or disagree with the Government of Québec's intention to create a registry for non-restricted firearms?

	Total	Language		Region			Voting Intentions			
		Franco	Anglo/ Other language	MTL CMA	QC CMA	Rest of QC	LPQ	PQ	CAQ	QS
Weighted n=	1,005	791	214	476	101	428	286	233	166	77
Unweighted n=	1,006	791	215	395	311	300	328	212	170	87
NET AGREE	57%	56%	64%	67%	48%	49%	64%	61%	46%	69%
<i>Strongly agree</i>	33%	31%	42%	43%	24%	24%	37%	38%	25%	43%
<i>Somewhat agree</i>	24%	25%	21%	24%	24%	24%	27%	23%	21%	26%
NET DISAGREE	33%	36%	21%	22%	42%	43%	29%	31%	48%	27%
<i>Somewhat disagree</i>	13%	14%	9%	10%	15%	16%	14%	14%	11%	9%
<i>Strongly disagree</i>	20%	22%	12%	12%	27%	27%	15%	18%	37%	18%
I don't know	9%	8%	13%	9%	10%	8%	6%	7%	6%	2%
I prefer not to answer	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%

Profile of Respondents

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	Total %
Gender	
Male Weighted n=486 Unweighted n=520	48%
Female Weighted n=518 Unweighted n=486	52%
Age	
18-24 Weighted n=107 Unweighted n=82	11%
25-34 Weighted n=160 Unweighted n=113	16%
35-44 Weighted n=160 Unweighted n=165	16%
45-54 Weighted n=203 Unweighted n=222	20%
55-64 Weighted n=174 Unweighted n=197	17%
65 + Weighted n=200 Unweighted n=227	20%

	Total %
Region	
Montreal CMA Weighted n=476 Unweighted n=395	47%
Québec City CMA Weighted n=101 Unweighted n=311	10%
Rest of Quebec Weighted n=428 Unweighted n=300	43%
Language	
Francophones Weighted n=791 Unweighted n=791	79%
Anglophones / Other languages Weighted n=214 Unweighted n=215	21%

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