

Methodology:

Results are based on an online survey conducted from June 3 to June 5, 2026, among 803 adults in British Columbia. The data has been statistically weighted according to Canadian census figures for age, gender and region in British Columbia. The margin of error—which measures sample variability—is +/- 3.5 percentage points, nineteen times out of twenty.

If a provincial election were held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your constituency? – Decided Voters

Conservative Party of BC – 42% (+4)
BC New Democratic Party (NDP) – 42% (-2)
BC Green Party – 9% (-3)
Centre BC – 3% (=)
OneBC – 2% (+1)
Another party / An independent candidate – 2% (+1)

Approval Ratings

David Eby – 48% (-5)
Emily Lowan – 34% (=)
Kerry-Lynne Findlay – 32% (new)
Dallas Brodie – 20% (-6)
Karin Kirkpatrick – 19% (-8)

Most Important Issue

Housing / Homelessness / Poverty – 29% (-1)
Economy / Jobs – 26% (+3)
Health care – 21% (-2)
Crime / Safety – 8% (+4)
Environment – 3% (-3)
Accountability – 2% (-2)

Surging Conservatives Tie New Democrats in British Columbia

Almost half of residents (47%) think the province needs a centre-right party to serve as an alternative to the two dominant ones.

Vancouver, BC [June 6, 2026] – British Columbia's political scene has tightened following the conclusion of the Conservative Party of BC's leadership race, a new Research Co. poll has found.

In the online survey of a representative provincial sample, 42% of decided voters (+4 since a similar Research Co. poll [conducted in October 2025](#)) would support the opposition BC Conservatives in a provincial election, while 42% (-2) would cast a ballot for the governing BC New Democratic Party (NDP).

The BC Green Party is third with 9% (-3), followed by Centre BC with 3% (=) and OneBC with 2% (+1).

The BC Conservatives are ahead of the governing party among men (46% to 40%), voters aged 35-to-54 (44% to 39%) and voters aged 18-to-34 (40% to 38%). The BC NDP leads the Official Opposition among women (42% to 39%) and voters aged 55 and over (47% to 42%).

On a regional basis, the BC NDP leads in Southern BC (50% to 41%), Metro Vancouver (43% to 39%) and Vancouver Island (42% to 39%), while the BC Conservatives are first in Northern BC (57% to 23%) and the Fraser Valley (56% to 36%).

"This month, the BC NDP is holding on to 84% (-2) of its voters in the 2024 provincial election," says Mario Canseco, President of Research Co. "The retention rate is superior for the BC Conservatives (89%, +11)."

More than half of British Columbians (52%, -7) would "definitely" or "probably" consider casting a ballot for the BC New Democrats in the next provincial election. Consideration is lower for the BC Conservatives (42%, -3), the BC Greens (36%, -7), OneBC (24%, -1) and Centre BC (23%, -5).

The approval rating for Premier and BC NDP leader David Eby has dropped below the 50% threshold (48%, -5). About a third of British Columbians (32%) are satisfied with the way incoming BC Conservative leader Kerry-Lynne Findlay is handling her duties. The numbers are slightly higher for BC Green Party leader Emily Lowan (34%, =) and lower for OneBC leader Dallas Brodie (20%, -6) and Centre BC leader Karin Kirkpatrick (19%, -8).



Just over a third of British Columbians (36%) say they are happy that Findlay was chosen as leader of the Conservative Party of BC—a proportion that rises to 63% among BC Conservative voters in the 2024 provincial election.

Slightly smaller proportions of British Columbians think the Conservative Party of BC is a “free enterprise coalition” (33%, -4 [since April 2026](#)) or regard Findlay as a “premier-in-waiting” (30%).

Housing, poverty and homelessness remains the most important issue facing the province (29%, -1), followed by the economy and jobs (26%, +3), health care (21%, -2), crime and public safety (8%, +3), the environment (3%, -3) and accountability (2%, -2).

Almost half of British Columbians (47%, -5) believe the province needs a centre-right party to serve as an alternative to the BC New Democrats and the BC Conservatives, and just over two-in-five (41%) believe it's time to bring back the BC Liberals as a provincial political party—including 58% of British Columbians who voted for the Liberal Party in the 2025 Canadian federal election.

The survey asked an additional voting intention question in which the BC Liberals were included as a choice. In this scenario, the BC NDP is first with the support of 35% of decided voters, followed by the BC Conservatives (34%), the BC Liberals (15%), the BC Greens (9%), Centre BC (3%) and OneBC (also 3%).

More than one-in-four British Columbians who voted for the federal Liberals in 2025 (27%) would cast a ballot for the BC Liberals in a provincial election.

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