

British Columbia: Canada's Hottest Election Race

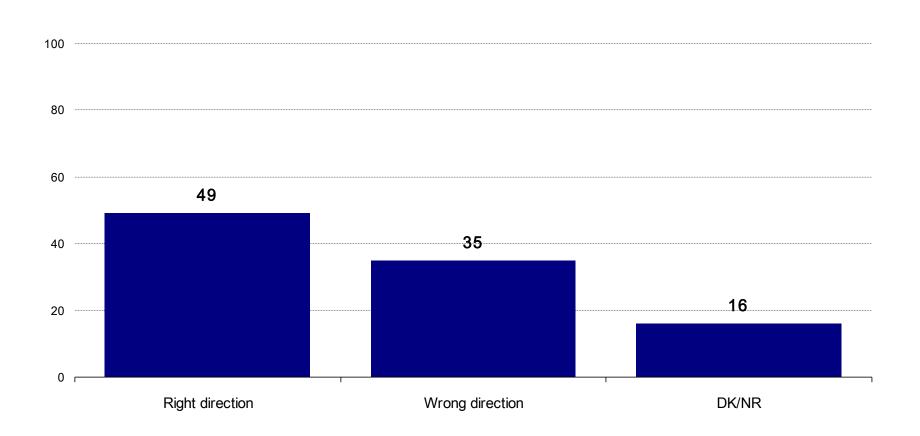
Methodology

- Telephone survey of residents of British Columbia
 - 401 interviews with a national random sample of British Columbians
 18 years of age and older
 - ✓ Interview period: December 6 8, 2005
 - ✓ Results valid within 4.9 percentage points, 19 times out of 20
 - The margin of error increases when the results are sub-divided
 - It should also be noted that the refusal rate and other measurement errors could also increase the margin of error
- All the data were statistically weighted to ensure the sample's regional, gender and age composition reflects that of the actual population of British Columbia according to Census data.

General outlook

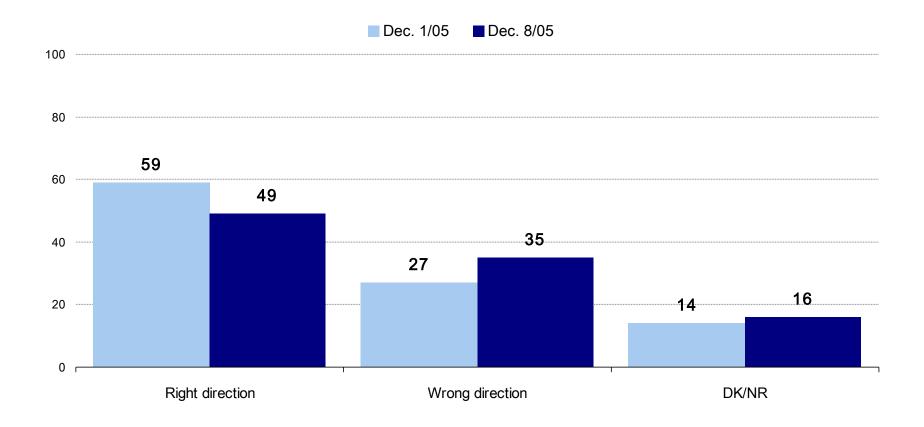
Direction of country

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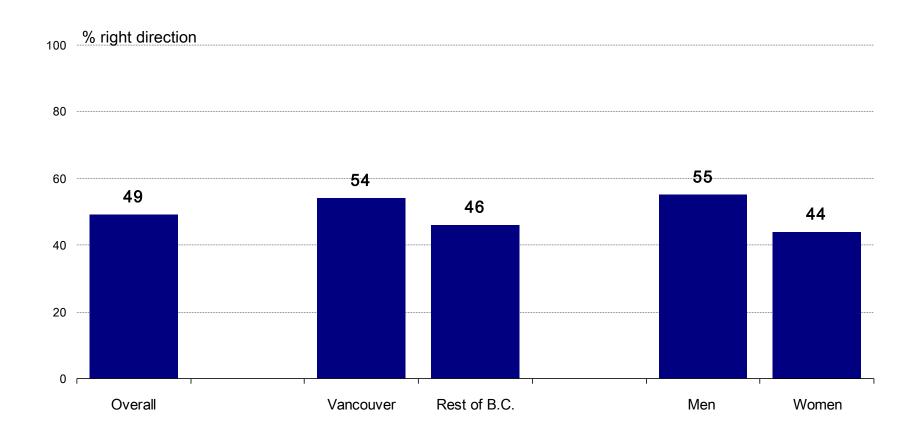
Tracking direction of country in B.C.

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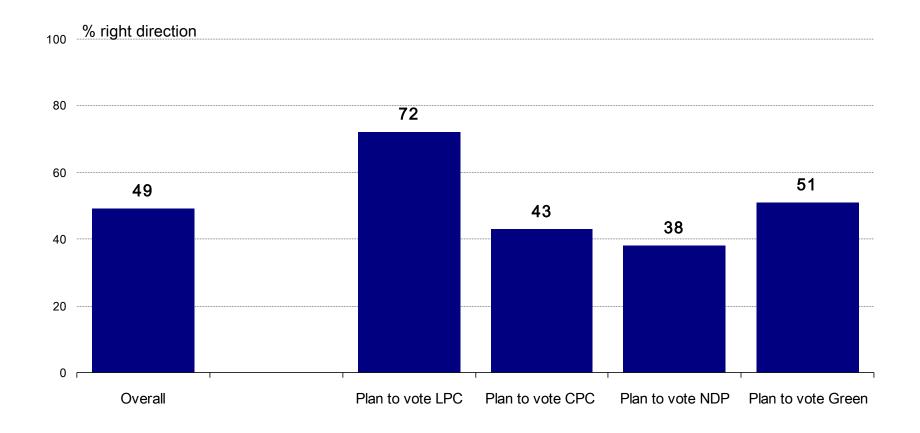
Direction of country by region and gender

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Direction of country by vote intention

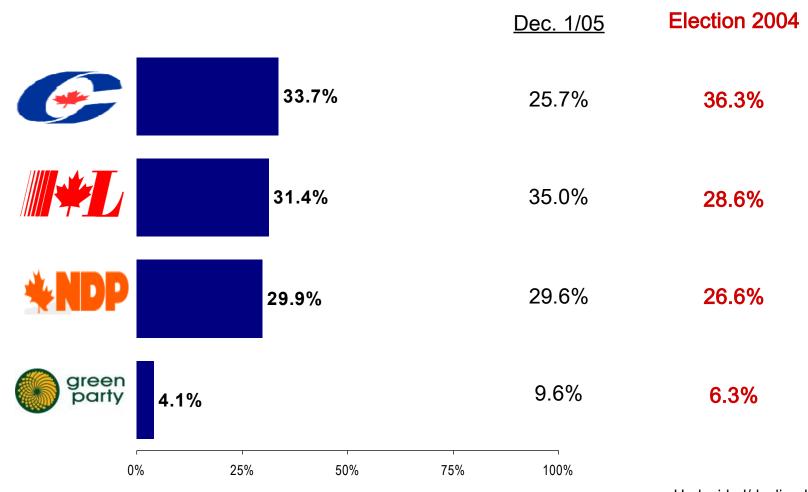
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Current vote intention

Federal voting intentions in British Columbia

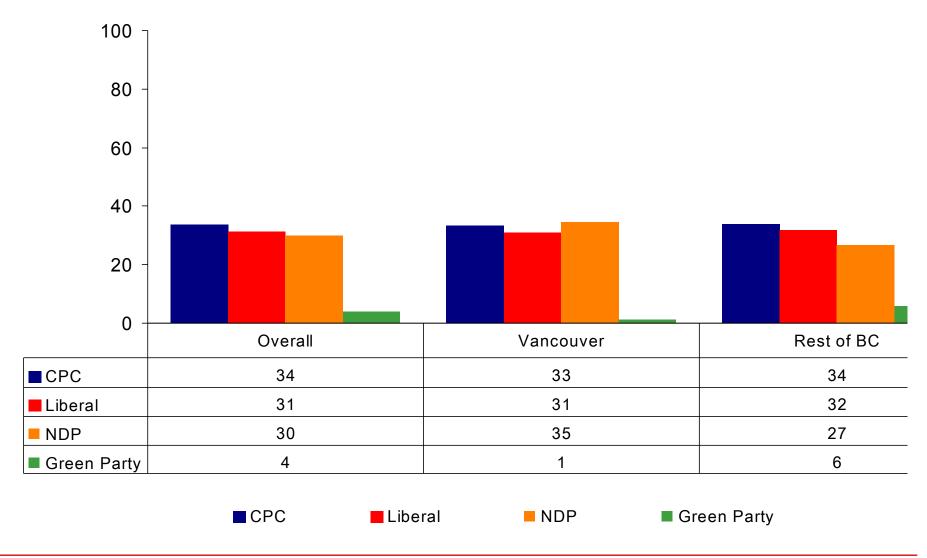
Q: If a federal election were held tomorrow, which party would you vote for?



Undecided/declined: 10.4% Would not vote 2.1%

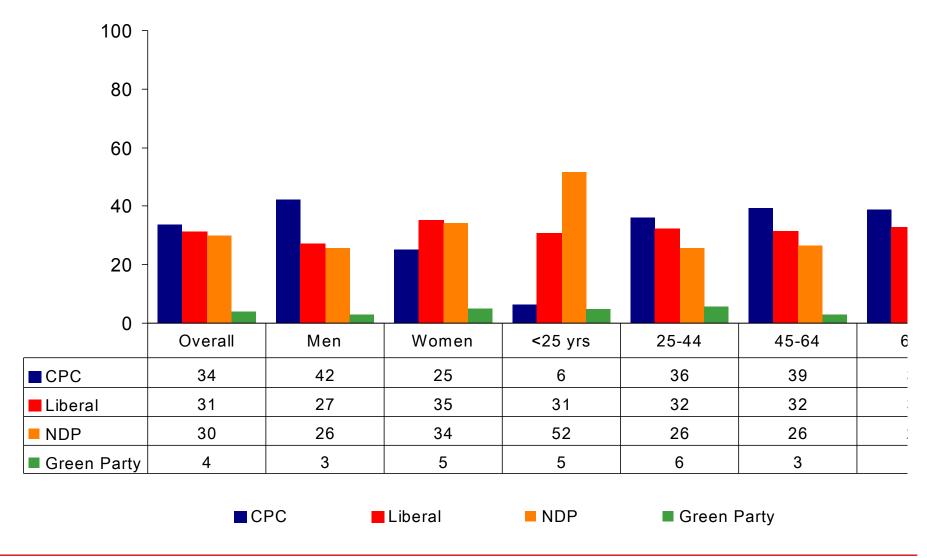
Federal voting intentions in BC: Vancouver vs. rest of province

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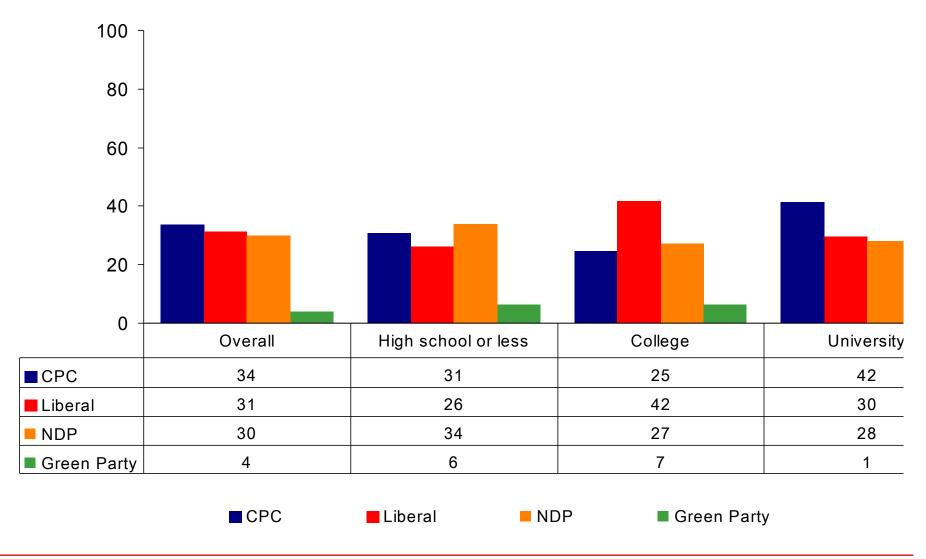
Federal voting intentions in BC: gender and age

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Federal voting intentions in BC: education

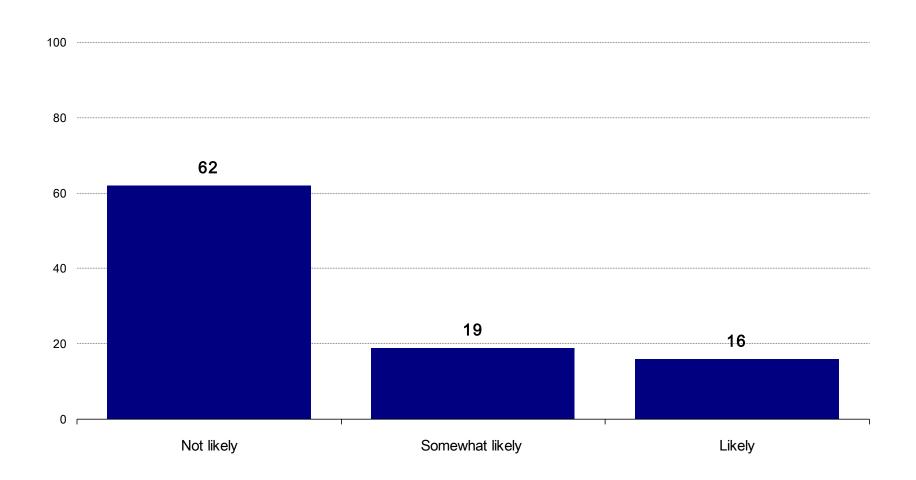
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Gauging voter behaviour

Likelihood of changing vote

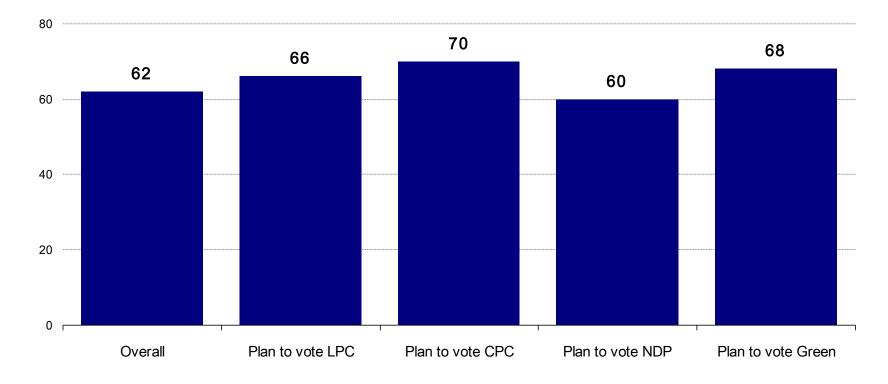
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Likelihood of changing vote by current vote intention

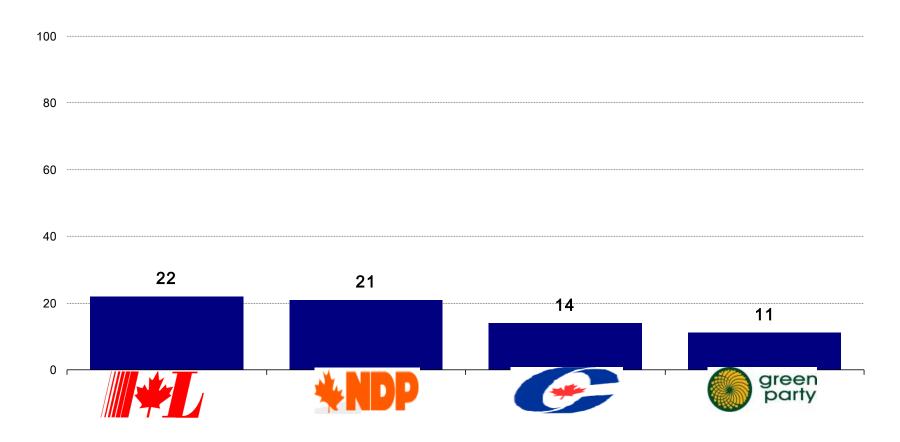
Q: How likely is it that you will change your mind between now and the federal election on January 23?





Second choice

Q: If you were to change your mind, which party would be your second choice?

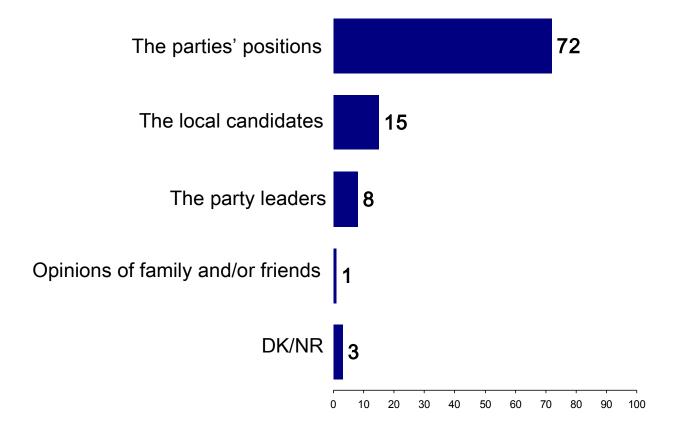


Undecided/declined: 15%

Would not vote/change mind: 16%

Reason for possibly changing vote

Q: What would you say is the most important thing that might influence you?



Base: Residents of B.C. who said they might change their vote; Dec. 8/05 n=159



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