



**CRA Atlantic Quarterly® – Summer 2009**  
**Nova Scotia Political Results**

Sample: 804 Nova Scotians (18 years plus)  
 Interview Dates: Aug 6 to Aug 29, 2009  
 Margin of Sampling Error: ±3.5 percentage points (95% confidence level)

<b><i>If a provincial election were held today in Nova Scotia, for which party would you vote?</i></b>					
<small>Note: May 2009 results include decided and leaning voters</small>					
<b>Party</b>	<b>Aug 2008</b>	<b>Nov 2008</b>	<b>Feb 2009</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>Aug 2009</b>
NDP	36%	37%	36%	41%	<b>60%</b>
Liberal Party	28%	27%	31%	29%	<b>18%</b>
PC Party	33%	33%	30%	27%	<b>16%</b>
Green Party	3%	3%	3%	2%	<b>6%</b>
Other	1%	0%	0%	0%	<b>0%</b>
<b>TOTAL DECIDED VOTE</b>	<b>101%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>100%</b>
Undecided/Don't know/No answer/ Do not plan to vote/Refused	46%	37%	37%	31%	34%

<b><i>How satisfied are you with the overall performance of the provincial government...</i></b>					
	<b><i>led by Premier Rodney MacDonald?</i></b>				<b><i>led by Premier Darrell Dexter?</i></b>
	<b>Aug 2008</b>	<b>Nov 2008</b>	<b>Feb 2009</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>Aug 2009</b>
Completely satisfied	3%	4%	3%	4%	<b>8%</b>
Mostly satisfied	46%	55%	51%	39%	<b>53%</b>
Mostly dissatisfied	26%	23%	27%	30%	<b>8%</b>
Completely dissatisfied	11%	9%	11%	18%	<b>2%</b>
Too soon to tell	0%	0%	0%	0%	<b>17%</b>
Don't know/No answer/Neither	14%	9%	7%	10%	<b>12%</b>

<b><i>Which one of the following individuals would you most prefer as the next Premier of Nova Scotia?</i></b>					
<b>Leader</b>	<b>Aug 2008</b>	<b>Nov 2008</b>	<b>Feb 2009</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>Aug 2009</b>
Darrell Dexter of the NDP	29%	30%	28%	32%	<b>50%</b>
Rodney MacDonald/ Next leader of the PC Party	27%	27%	27%	20%	<b>10%</b>
Stephen McNeil of the Liberal Party	17%	21%	22%	22%	<b>12%</b>
Ryan Watson of the Green Party	4%	6%	3%	2%	<b>3%</b>
None	6%	5%	6%	4%	<b>6%</b>
Don't know/No answer	17%	13%	14%	20%	<b>19%</b>