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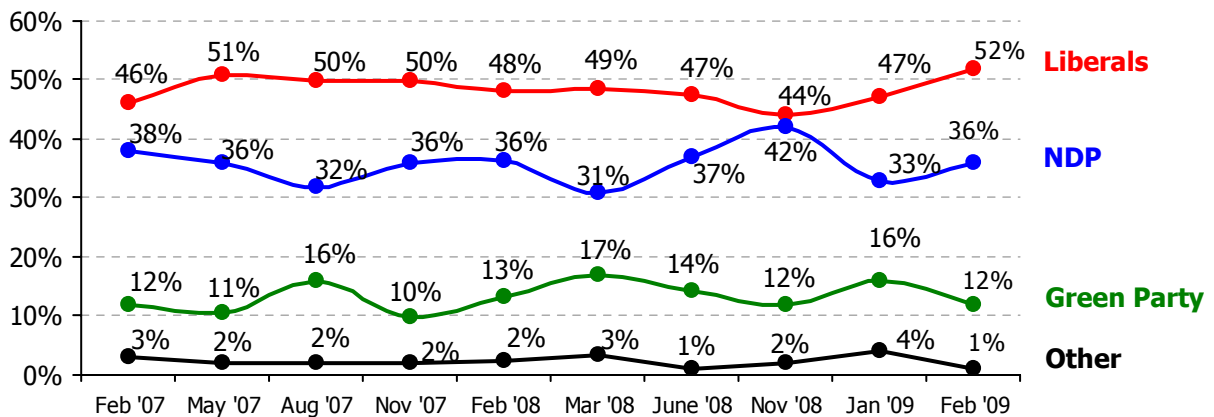
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Re: Gap Widens Between BC Liberals and NDP

The BC Liberals have increased their lead to 16 percentage points over the NDP according to the most recent Mustel Group poll (February 2-10th). If an election were held tomorrow, the BC Liberals would have the support of 52% of decided voters (up from 47% in January) and the NDP would be supported by 36% (up directionally from 33%). The Green Party would be supported by 12% (down from 16%).

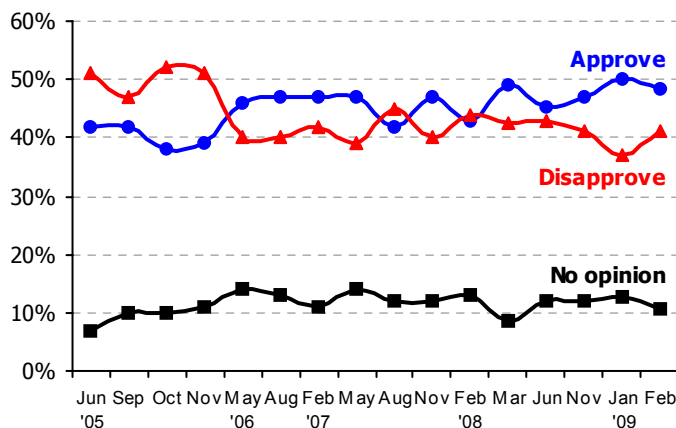
The BC Liberals have gained support among women (increasing from 42% in January to 50%) while support for the NDP has remained stable (37% in contrast to 36% in January). Among men, 53% support the Liberals and 35% the NDP, with no significant change from previous measures.

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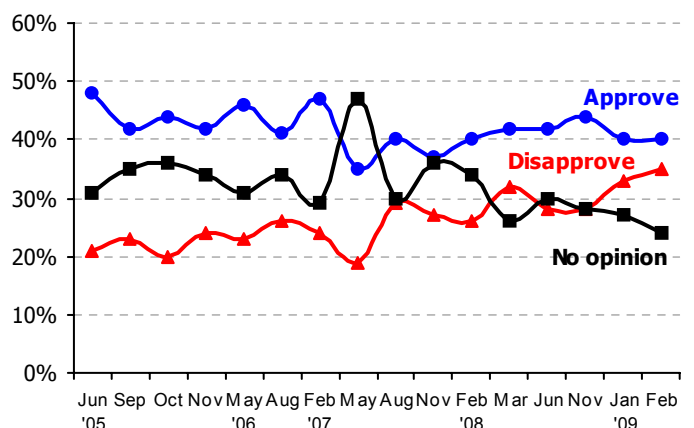


Currently 48% approve of Premier Campbell's performance in contrast to 41% disapproving (11% undecided). A total of 40% approve of the performance of Carol James, 35% disapprove and the remaining 24% are undecided.

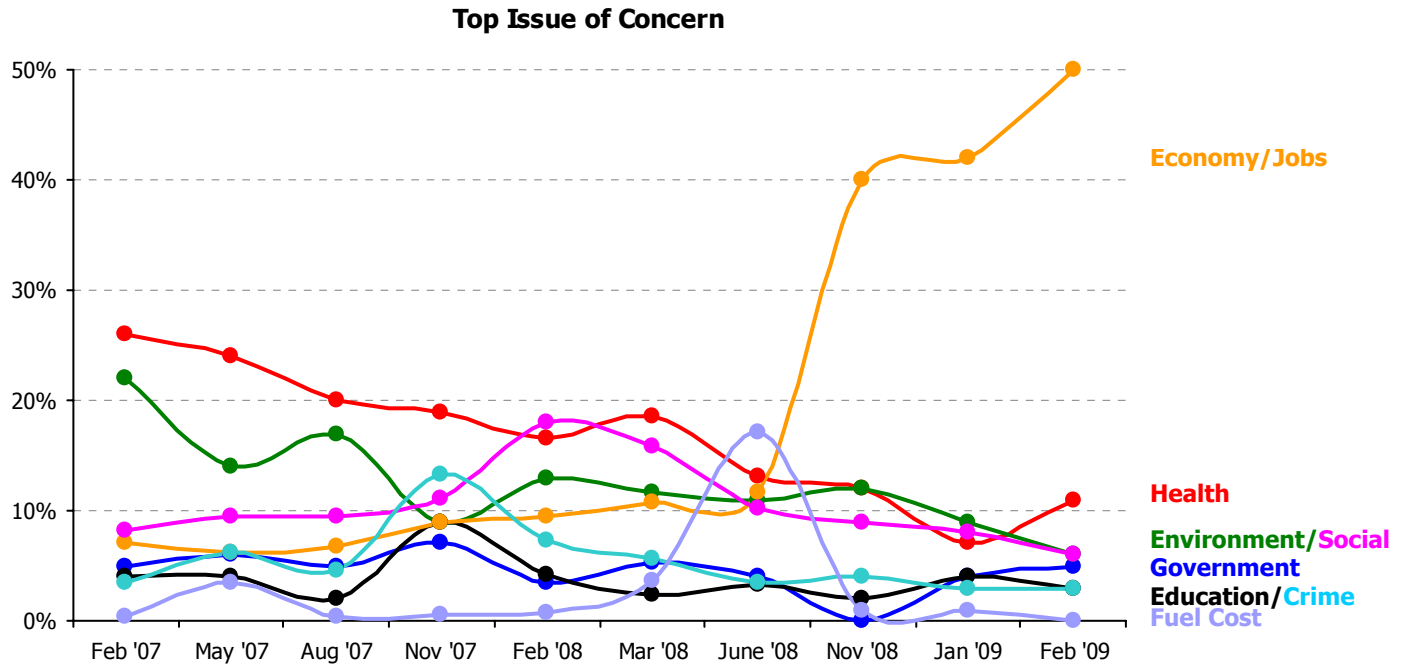
Premier Campbell



Carol James



Other findings from the survey show that concern about the economy and jobs continues to grow with 50% of BC residents listing this issue as their top concern (up from 42% just a month ago).



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Survey conducted: February 2-10, 2009
Methodology: Random sample of 751 BC adults, 18 years of age and over
Margin of error: ±3.6% at the 95% confidence level; Undecided: 13%
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