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Manitoba Omnibus Survey

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The Story

The PCs enter the summer months in a slightly weaker position than when the Legislative session began. Following a raucous and confrontational time at the Manitoba Legislature, the governing NDP has solidified its lead over the opposition Progressive Conservatives (PCs) – with PC support dipping slightly in the past three months (to 32%, down from 35% in March). NDP support is completely unchanged at 55 per cent, with eight per cent opting for the Manitoba Liberals (+2% vs. March) and five per cent for other parties. Overall, 16 per cent of Manitobans are undecided about which party to support.

PC support slips in Winnipeg, especially in older suburban neighbourhoods. Only one-quarter of Winnipeg voters back the PCs, with support for the party dropping back to where it was in December. This includes a seven-point decrease for the PCs in inner suburban areas compared to March. City-wide, 63 per cent now back the NDP (+3% vs. March) while nine per cent prefer the Liberals (+1%).

Outside Winnipeg, the PCs and NDP are tied once again (42% each), with Liberal support up slightly (7%, +3% vs. March).



Methodology

Probe Research surveyed a random and representative sample of 1,000 Manitoba adults between May 25 and June 8, 2026.

Respondents were contacted using four different methods. The sample includes 483 Manitoba residents randomly recruited via live-agent operator, 151 randomly recruited via text message/SMS, 170 randomly recruited via Interactive Voice Response (IVR) and 196 members of Probe Research's online panel. All respondents completed the survey using an online platform.

With a sample of 1,000, one can say with 95 per cent certainty that the results are within ± 3.1 percentage points of what they would have been if the entire adult population of Manitoba had been surveyed. The margin of error is higher within each of the survey's population sub-groups.

Probe reached out to Manitobans through modified random digit dialing, including both landline and wireless numbers. This ensured all Manitoba adults had an equal opportunity to participate in this survey.

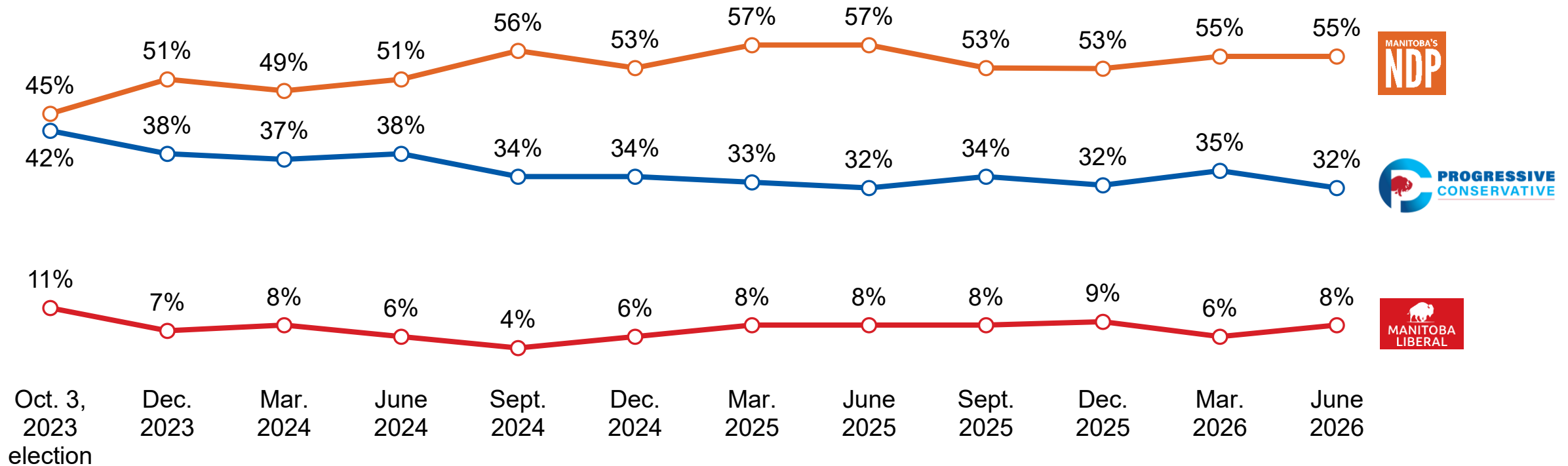
The sample has been weighted slightly by age, gender, region and educational attainment so it properly reflects the province's population, based on Census data. Probe used SPSS software to conduct all statistical analysis.

About the Probe Research Omnibus

For nearly 30 years, Probe Research has conducted quarterly omnibus surveys of random and representative samples of Manitoba adults. These surveys have provided strategic and proprietary insights to hundreds of public, private and not-for-profit clients on many different social, cultural and public policy topics. The Probe Research Omnibus Survey is the province's largest and most trusted general population survey.

The survey was designed by Probe Research in close consultation with the Free Press.

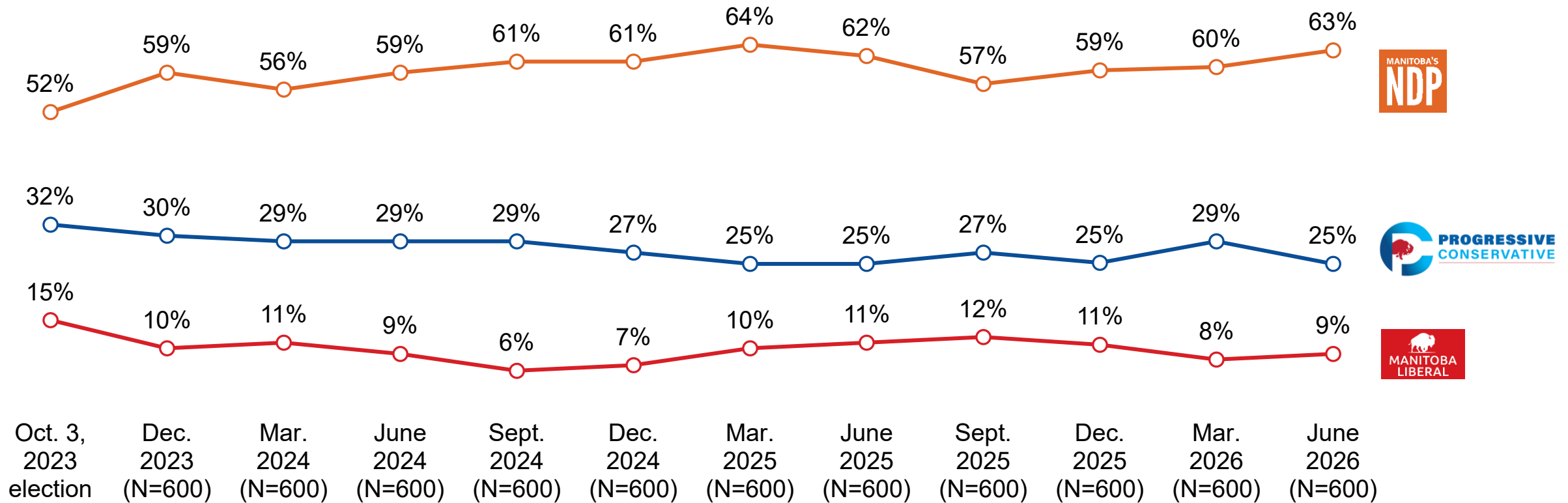
PC support dips slightly as the NDP retains a large lead



Q1/2. If a provincial election were held tomorrow, which party's candidate would you be most likely to support? Even though you have not decided whom you would vote for, is there nonetheless a provincial party's candidate that you think you might want to support or are currently leaning toward? (Base: Decided and leaning voters in Manitoba, N=1,000)

**Undecided:
16%**

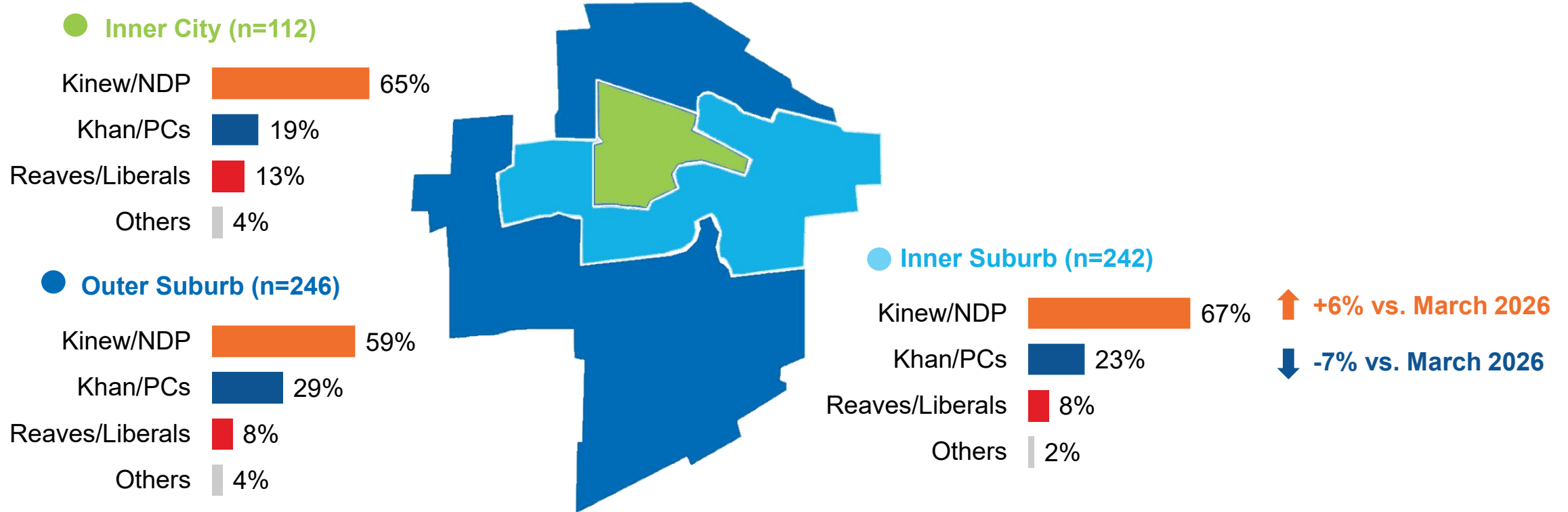
NDP support increases slightly in Winnipeg as only one-quarter opt for the PCs



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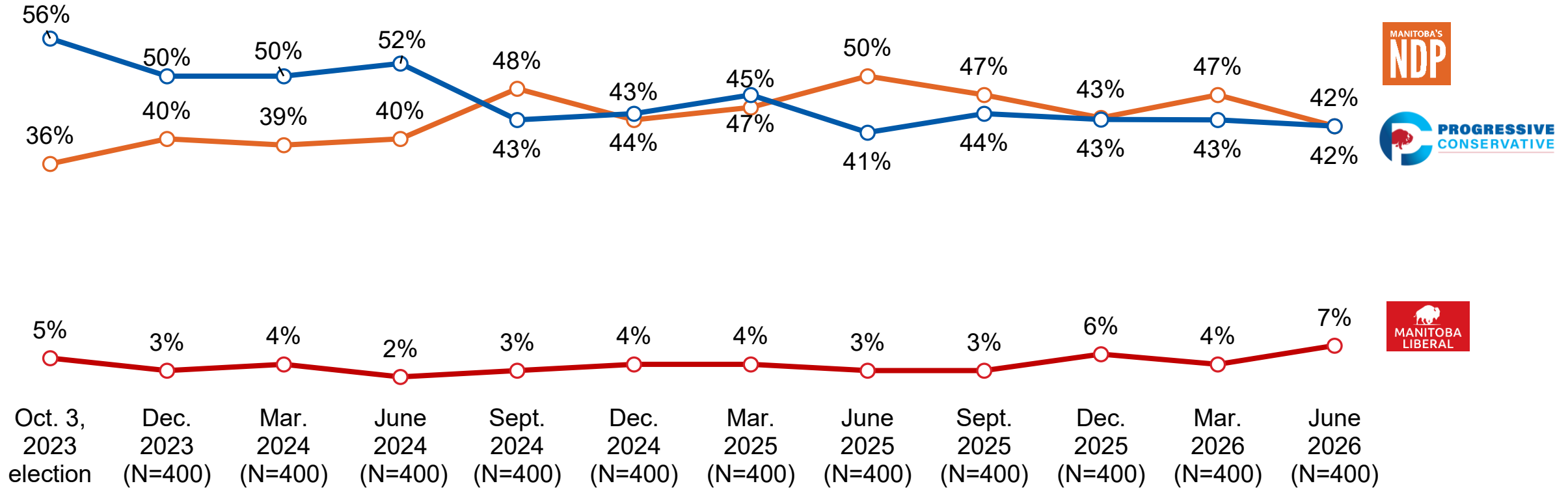
**Undecided:
15%**

The NDP has picked up slightly more support in inner suburban areas of Winnipeg



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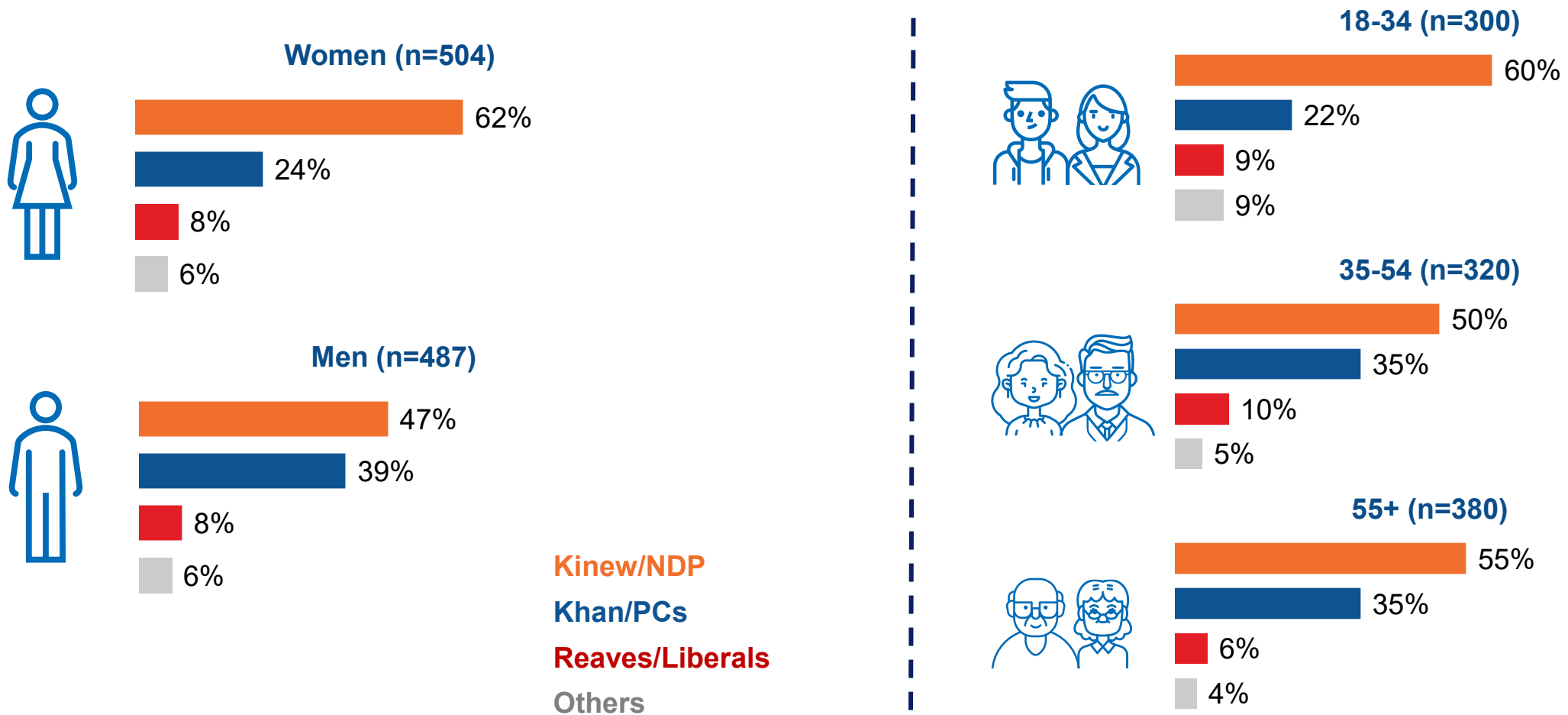
NDP and PCs are tied again in rural and northern Manitoba



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Undecided:
17%

The NDP continues to maintain a very large lead among female voters



The NDP retains a high share of popular support among all demographic groups

	Gender			Age			Region		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	Winnipeg	Rest of Manitoba	Born outside Canada
(Unweighted)	(1,000)	(516)	(471)	(177)	(354)	(469)	(600)	(400)	(134)
(Weighted Base)	(1,000)	(487)	(504)	(300)	(320)	(380)	(600)	(400)	(148)
NDP	55%	47%	62%	60%	50%	55%	63%	42%	52%
PC	32%	39%	24%	22%	35%	35%	25%	42%	33%
Liberal	8%	8%	8%	9%	10%	6%	9%	7%	11%
Others	5%	6%	6%	9%	5%	4%	3%	9%	4%
	Education			Household Income			Identity		
	HS or Less	College/ Some PS	University Graduate	<\$60K	\$60K-\$119K	\$120K+	Indigenous	Other Racialized	White
(Unweighted)	(150)	(387)	(445)	(217)	(359)	(293)	(107)	(91)*	(802)
(Weighted Base)	(453)	(283)	(244)	(288)	(330)	(224)	(128)	(100)	(772)
NDP	49%	54%	65%	59%	54%	57%	66%	58%	52%
PC	34%	36%	24%	21%	36%	36%	29%	30%	32%
Liberal	11%	5%	8%	12%	7%	3%	6%	8%	9%
Others	6%	5%	3%	8%	3%	4%	0%	4%	7%

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