



Capital Tracker

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Municipal Survey
May 20, 2026



Methodology

The Ottawa Compass engaged Liaison Strategies to survey a random sample of 1000 Ottawa residents from **May 8th to May 10th, 2026**, using Interactive Voice Recording (IVR) technology. To ensure a representative sample, participants were reached through random digit dialing (RDD) across both landline and cellular phone networks.

The resulting data was weighted to match targets based on the 2021 Census. For the total sample, the **margin of error is ± 3.09** percentage points, 19 times out of 20, though this margin is higher for sub-samples. Additionally, results may not add up to 100% due to rounding.



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Sample Sizes

	Total	English	French
Unweighted	1000	880	120
Weighted	1000	880	120

	Female	Male	Other
Unweighted	491	463	46
Weighted	503	468	29

	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Unweighted	289	251	251	209
Weighted	293	248	248	211

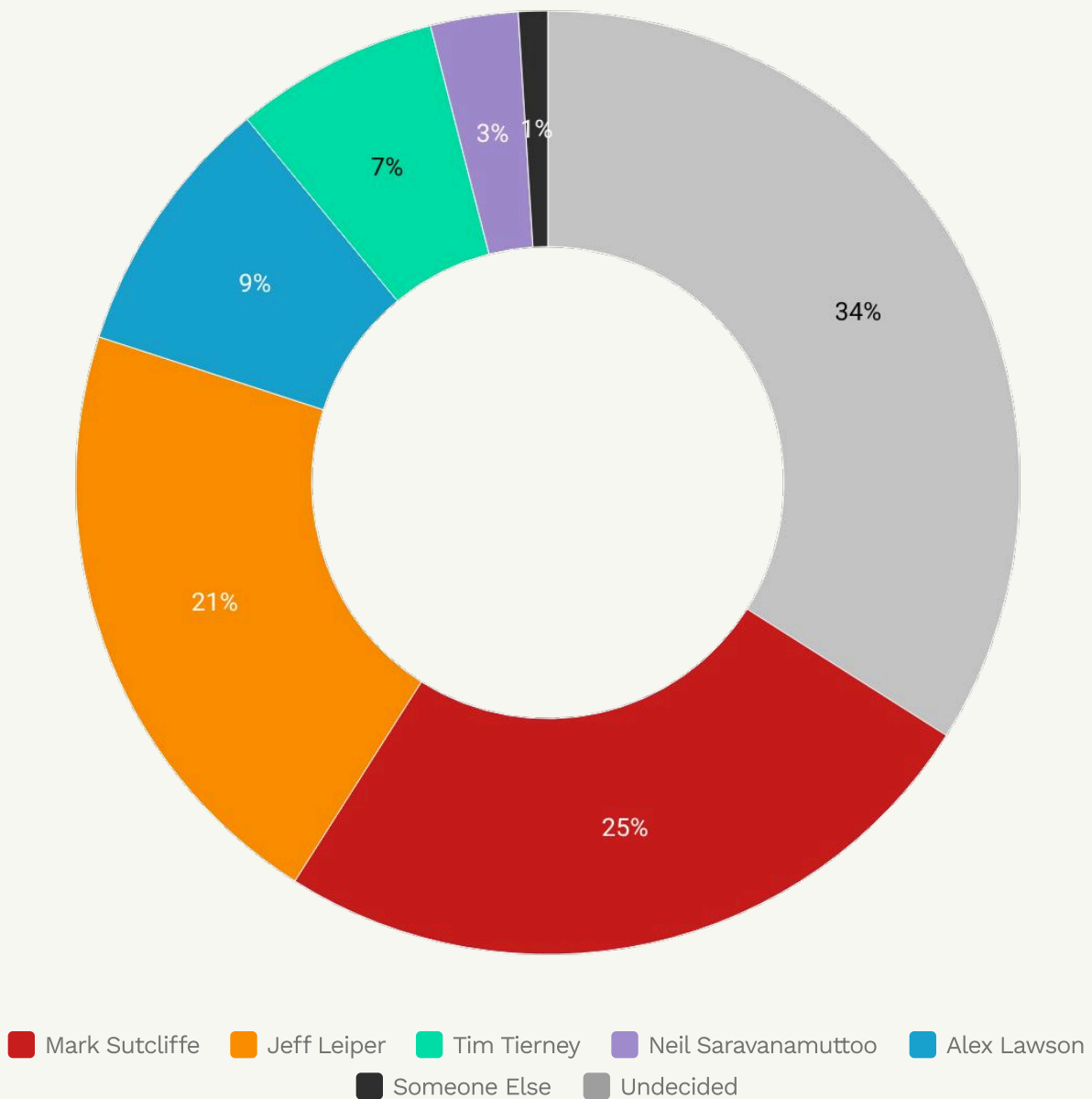
	East	West	South	Central
Unweighted	254	236	249	261
Weighted	259	232	249	260



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If an election were held today, for whom would you cast your vote for mayor?

Tim Tierney Included



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If an election were held today, for whom would you cast your vote for mayor?

	Total	English	French
Mark Sutcliffe	25 %	25 %	22 %
Jeff Leiper	21 %	22 %	18 %
Tim Tierney	7 %	7 %	10 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	3 %	2 %	9 %
Alex Lawson	9 %	10 %	8 %
Someone Else	1%	1%	3 %
Undecided	34 %	34 %	30 %

	Female	Male	Other
Mark Sutcliffe	25 %	25 %	17 %
Jeff Leiper	21 %	21 %	17 %
Tim Tierney	8 %	5 %	13 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	3 %	3 %	0 %
Alex Lawson	8 %	11%	9 %
Someone Else	1%	1%	0 %
Undecided	33 %	34 %	44 %



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If an election were held today, for whom would you cast your vote for mayor?

	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Mark Sutcliffe	20 %	26 %	26 %	28 %
Jeff Leiper	25 %	25 %	20 %	13 %
Tim Tierney	9 %	8 %	5 %	6 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	4 %	1%	5 %	2 %
Alex Lawson	15 %	14 %	5 %	2 %
Someone Else	2 %	1%	0 %	0 %
Undecided	26 %	25 %	38 %	49 %

	East	West	South	Central
Mark Sutcliffe	22 %	27 %	26 %	23 %
Jeff Leiper	16 %	11%	23 %	34 %
Tim Tierney	18 %	1%	4 %	4 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	4 %	3 %	2 %	2 %
Alex Lawson	6 %	27 %	4 %	3 %
Someone Else	0 %	0 %	1%	2 %
Undecided	33 %	31 %	39 %	32 %



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If an election were held today, for whom would you cast your vote for mayor?

Decided and Leaning

	Total	English	French
Mark Sutcliffe	37 %	38 %	32 %
Jeff Leiper	32 %	33 %	25 %
Tim Tierney	11 %	10 %	15 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	5 %	3 %	13 %
Alex Lawson	14 %	15 %	11 %
Someone Else	1 %	1 %	4 %

	Female	Male	Other
Mark Sutcliffe	38 %	37 %	30 %
Jeff Leiper	32 %	32 %	30 %
Tim Tierney	13 %	8 %	23 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	5 %	5 %	0 %
Alex Lawson	12 %	17 %	17 %
Someone Else	2 %	1 %	0 %



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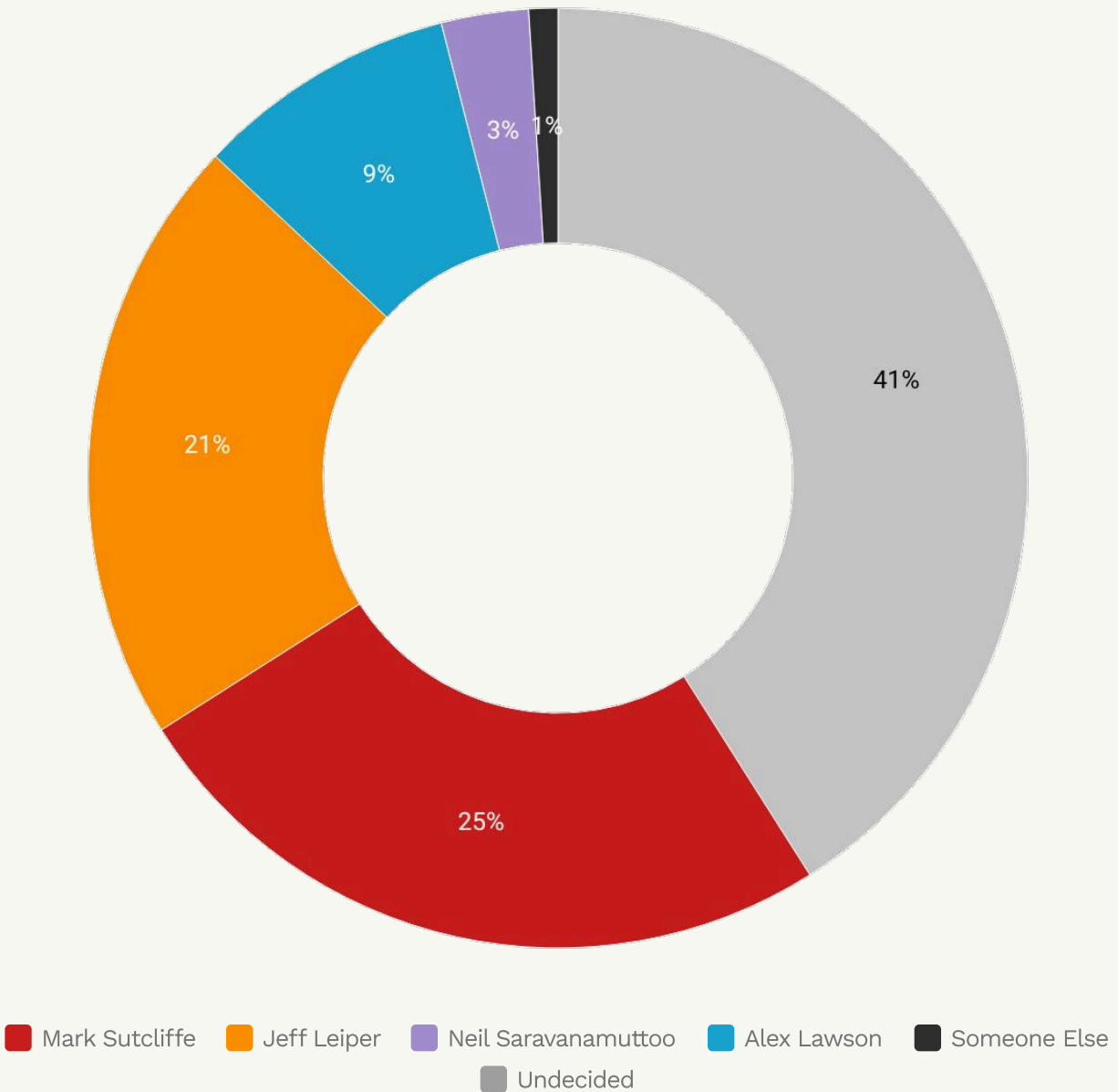
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Mark Sutcliffe	27 %	35 %	42 %	54 %
Jeff Leiper	33 %	33 %	33 %	26 %
Tim Tierney	12 %	10 %	8 %	11 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	5 %	2 %	7 %	5 %
Alex Lawson	20 %	19 %	9 %	4 %
Someone Else	2 %	1%	1%	1%

	East	West	South	Central
Mark Sutcliffe	33 %	40 %	43 %	34 %
Jeff Leiper	24 %	16 %	37 %	50 %
Tim Tierney	27 %	2 %	7 %	6 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	6 %	5 %	4 %	3 %
Alex Lawson	9 %	38 %	7 %	4 %
Someone Else	1%	0 %	2 %	3 %



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Mark Sutcliffe	25 %	25 %	22 %
Jeff Leiper	21 %	22 %	18 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	3 %	2 %	9 %
Alex Lawson	9 %	10 %	8 %
Someone Else	1 %	1 %	3 %
Undecided	41 %	41 %	40 %

	Female	Male	Other
Mark Sutcliffe	25 %	25 %	17 %
Jeff Leiper	21 %	21 %	17 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	3 %	3 %	0 %
Alex Lawson	7 %	12 %	10 %
Someone Else	1 %	1 %	0 %
Undecided	42 %	38 %	57 %



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	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Mark Sutcliffe	20 %	26 %	26 %	28 %
Jeff Leiper	25 %	25 %	20 %	13 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	3 %	1%	5 %	4 %
Alex Lawson	15 %	13 %	5 %	2 %
Someone Else	2 %	1%	0 %	0 %
Undecided	35 %	34 %	44 %	52 %

	East	West	South	Central
Mark Sutcliffe	22 %	27 %	26 %	23 %
Jeff Leiper	16 %	11%	23 %	34 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	4 %	3 %	2 %	2 %
Alex Lawson	6 %	27 %	4 %	3 %
Someone Else	0 %	0 %	1%	2 %
Undecided	51%	32 %	44 %	36 %



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If an election were held today, for whom would you cast your vote for mayor?

Decided and Leaning

	Total	English	French
Mark Sutcliffe	42 %	42 %	37 %
Jeff Leiper	36 %	36 %	30 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	5 %	4 %	16 %
Alex Lawson	16 %	16 %	13 %
Someone Else	2 %	1 %	4 %

	Female	Male	Other
Mark Sutcliffe	43 %	40 %	39 %
Jeff Leiper	36 %	35 %	39 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	6 %	5 %	0 %
Alex Lawson	13 %	19 %	22 %
Someone Else	2 %	1 %	0 %



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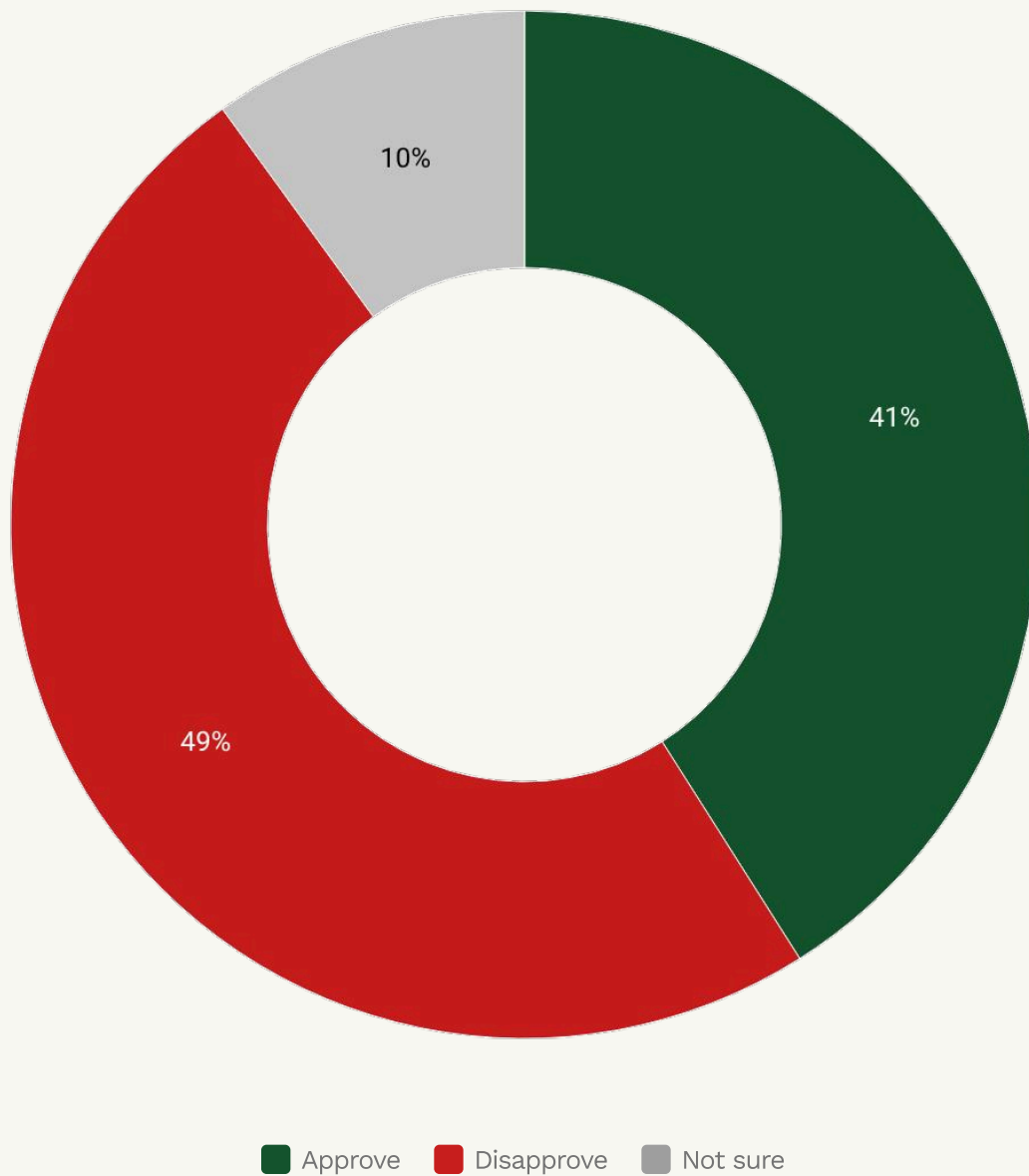
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Mark Sutcliffe	31 %	40 %	46 %	58 %
Jeff Leiper	39 %	37 %	36 %	27 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	4 %	2 %	8 %	8 %
Alex Lawson	23 %	20 %	9 %	5 %
Someone Else	3 %	1%	1%	1%

	East	West	South	Central
Mark Sutcliffe	45 %	40 %	47 %	36 %
Jeff Leiper	32 %	16 %	40 %	53 %
Neil Saravanamuttoo	9 %	5 %	4 %	4 %
Alex Lawson	13 %	39 %	7 %	4 %
Someone Else	1%	0 %	2 %	3 %



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Do you approve or disapprove of the job Mark Sutcliffe is doing as Mayor of Ottawa?



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Do you approve or disapprove of the job Mark Sutcliffe is doing as Mayor of Ottawa?

	Total	English	French
Approve	41 %	40 %	49 %
Disapprove	49 %	51 %	37 %
Not sure	10 %	9 %	15 %

	Female	Male	Other
Approve	38 %	45 %	27 %
Disapprove	51 %	47 %	59 %
Not sure	11 %	8 %	14 %

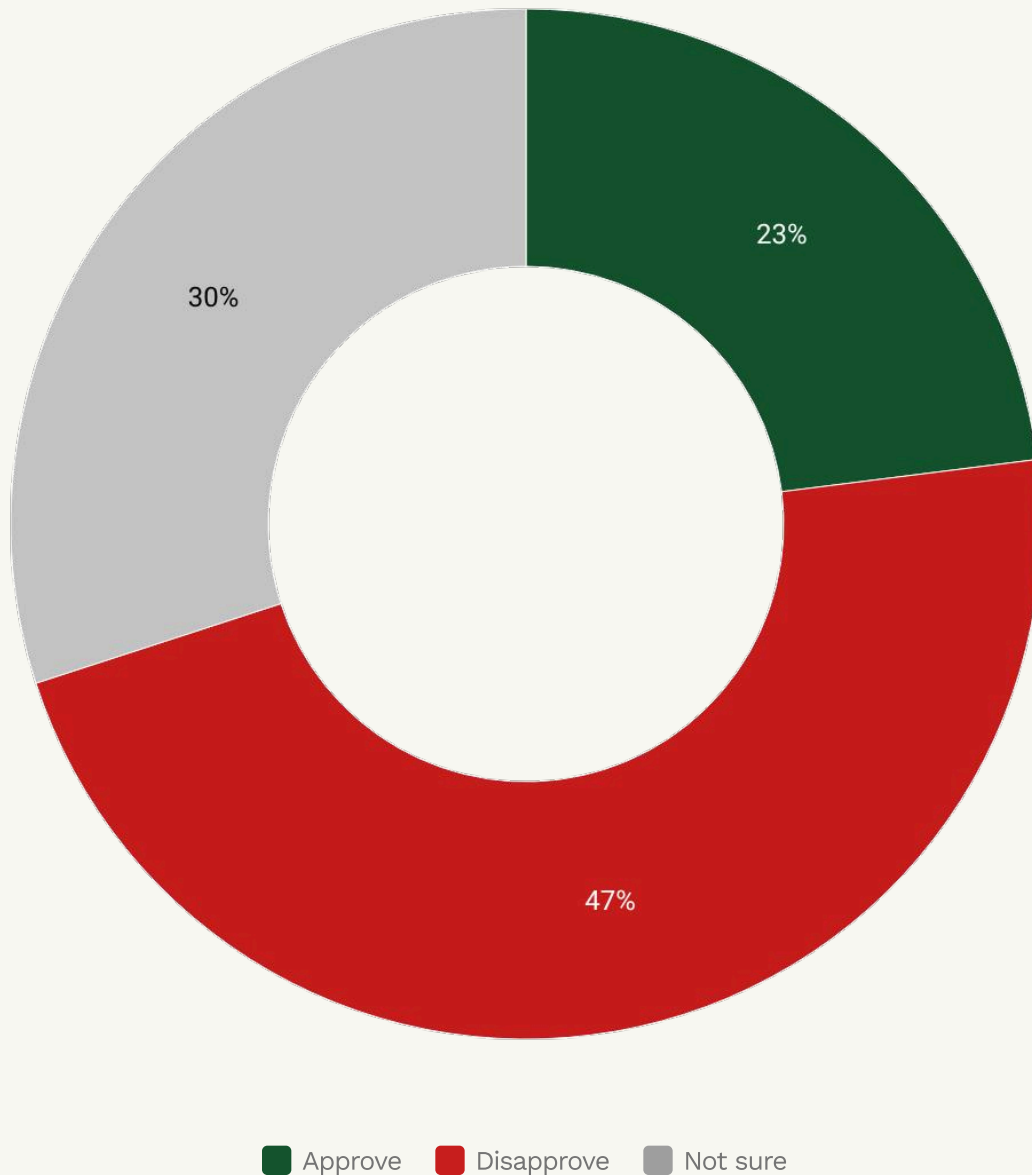
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	37 %	36 %	42 %	52 %
Disapprove	54 %	52 %	48 %	40 %
Not sure	10 %	12 %	10 %	8 %

	East	West	South	Central
Approve	52 %	44 %	38 %	30 %
Disapprove	35 %	47 %	49 %	65 %
Not sure	12 %	9 %	13 %	6 %



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In your opinion is the City of Ottawa moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?



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In your opinion is the City of Ottawa moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

	Total	English	French
Right direction	23 %	22 %	29 %
Wrong direction	47 %	48 %	46 %
Not sure	30 %	30 %	25 %

	Female	Male	Other
Right direction	28 %	19 %	12 %
Wrong direction	40 %	54 %	67 %
Not sure	33 %	27 %	21 %

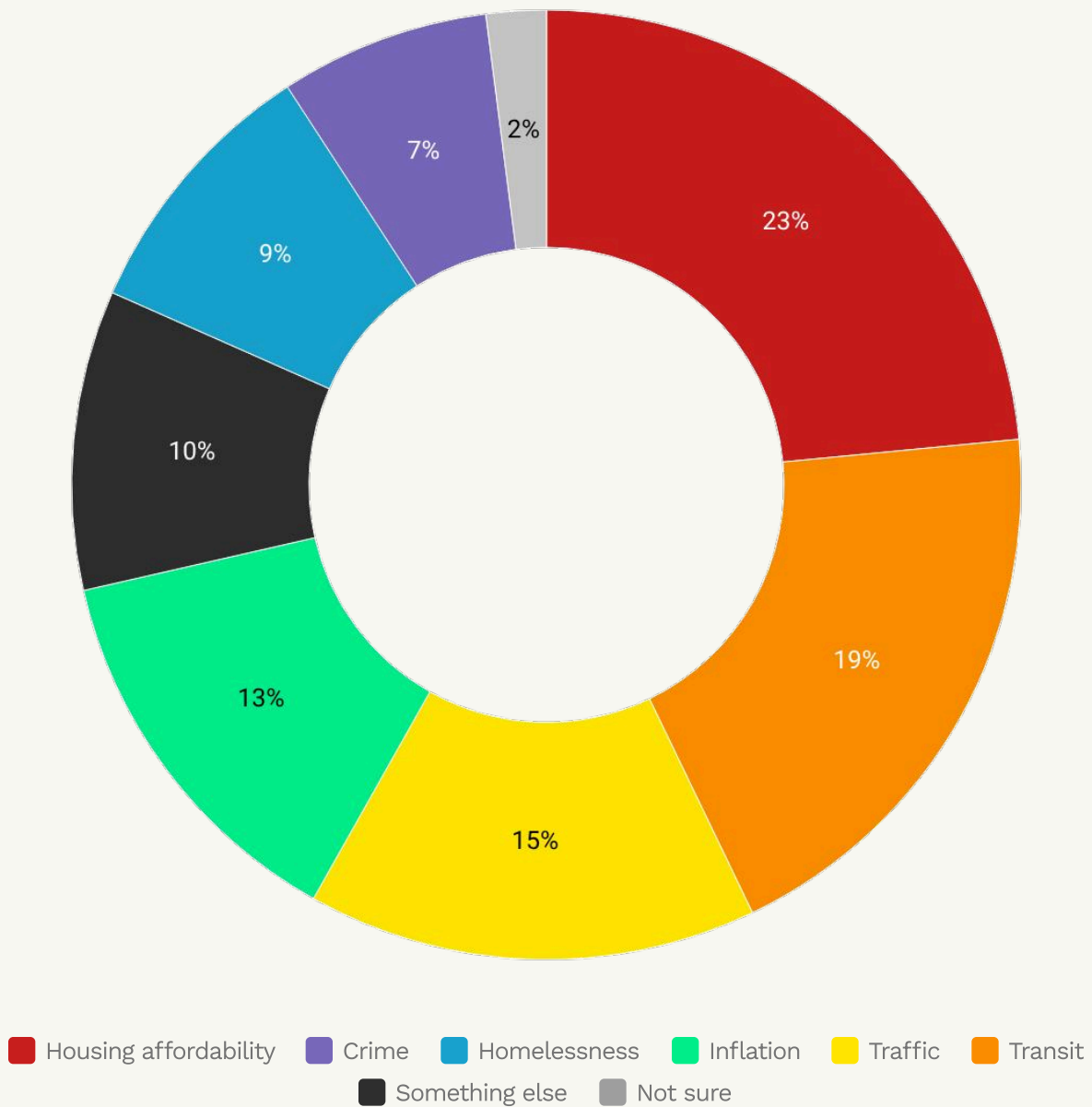
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Right direction	16 %	27 %	22 %	30 %
Wrong direction	53 %	46 %	46 %	43 %
Not sure	31 %	27 %	32 %	27 %

	East	West	South	Central
Right direction	26 %	29 %	18 %	20 %
Wrong direction	48 %	42 %	48 %	51 %
Not sure	26 %	30 %	34 %	29 %



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In your opinion what is the most important issue facing Ottawa?



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In your opinion what is the most important issue facing Ottawa?

	Total	English	French
Housing affordability	23 %	24 %	18 %
Crime	7 %	7 %	9 %
Homelessness	9 %	9 %	9 %
Inflation	13 %	14 %	11 %
Traffic	15 %	15 %	18 %
Transit	19 %	19 %	22 %
Something else	10 %	10 %	11 %
Not sure	2 %	2 %	3 %

	Female	Male	Other
Housing affordability	25 %	23 %	4 %
Crime	8 %	6 %	6 %
Homelessness	8 %	9 %	16 %
Inflation	15 %	12 %	17 %
Traffic	16 %	14 %	22 %
Transit	18 %	21 %	19 %
Something else	8 %	13 %	10 %
Not sure	2 %	2 %	6 %



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Housing affordability	24 %	25 %	20 %	25 %
Crime	9 %	8 %	6 %	6 %
Homelessness	7 %	9 %	11 %	8 %
Inflation	10 %	12 %	14 %	18 %
Traffic	15 %	18 %	12 %	16 %
Transit	18 %	20 %	23 %	16 %
Something else	13 %	7 %	12 %	7 %

	East	West	South	Central
Housing affordability	20 %	22 %	26 %	27 %
Crime	12 %	7 %	7 %	4 %
Homelessness	11 %	7 %	10 %	6 %
Inflation	9 %	16 %	12 %	16 %
Traffic	20 %	11 %	11 %	18 %
Transit	18 %	23 %	19 %	19 %
Something else	8 %	12 %	13 %	9 %



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