

Summary of Poll Results

PARTY SUPPORT - PARTY VOTE

National	54%	Up 5% from 6 th – 11 th October 2007
Labour	35%	Down 2%
Green	4.6%	Down 1%
The Maori Party	2%	Down 1%
NZ First	2%	Steady
Act NZ	1%	Steady

PARTY SUPPORT - ELECTORATE VOTE

National	55%	Up 7% from 6 th – 11 th October 2007
Labour	33%	Down 7%
Greens	4%	Steady
The Maori Party	2%	Down 1%
NZ First	2%	Steady
United Future NZ	1%	Steady
Act NZ	1%	Steady

UNDECIDED VOTERS

Party Vote	12%	Steady from 6 th – 11 th October 2007
Electorate Vote	15%	Down 3%

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PREFERRED PRIME MINISTER

Key	35%	Up 2% from 6 th – 11 th October 2007
Clark	30%	Down 3%
Peters	2%	Down 1%

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Optimism	31%	Down 6% from 6 th – 11 th October 2007
Pessimism	41%	Up 6%

KEY POLITICAL EVENTS: Mid-October - December 2007

- Bollard deflates mortgage tax hopes
- Earning gap between Pakeha and MPIs revealed
- VCs stolen
- Mallard refuses to say sorry for comments made about 'whistleblower', Erin Leigh
- Capital and Coast DHB future in balance following medical mishaps
- Electoral Finance Bill is hotly debated in Parliament
- Michael Cullen calls John Key a "rich prick" and a "scumbag"
- Integrated offender management (IOM) fails to reduce reconviction rate
- Bed and midwife shortages shorten mothers' stay in hospital
- Helen Clark accused of texting during a speech made by the Queen
- John Key looking to attract politicians from the Indian community
- Gap between 'have' and 'have nots' revealed (Quality of Life Project)
- John Key marks his first anniversary of becoming National Party leader with the release of a DVD
- Kevin Rudd becomes first Australian PM in over a decade
- Taito Phillip Field court case continues
- Number of public servants increases by 5%
- Clint Rickards quits as Assistant Police Commissioner
- Petrol and Diesel prices go up (twice)
- Michael Cullen hints at \$2 billion tax cuts
- John Key an alleged target for assassination by fringe activists
- Electoral Finance Bill, threat to free speech?

- Tuhoë 'terrorism' raids and subsequent hikoi
- Trevor Mallard facing court charges for parliamentary fracas with Tau Henare
- Labour Party Conference in Takapuna
- Police to get new powers under National
- Helen Clark has parliamentary reshuffle
- Helen Clark criticises Winston Peters for his use of the word 'apartheid' in relation to Maori protest about police raids
- NZ First set to review its 'coalition' policy ahead of the next election
- Benson-Pope looking for reselection to stand in Dunedin South electorate
- Finance Companies collapse