

Payments to Qualifying Political Parties

The *Elections Act* (s.191) outlines the provision for annual payments to registered parties. Payments are made in April and October of each fiscal year and are based on a calculation of \$1.50 (2010) plus CPI per vote received by that registered party in the most recent provincial general election.

In an election year, any increase in the amount to which a registered party is entitled, is effective upon the candidates being declared elected and is prorated for the remainder of the election year. If fewer votes are received, the amount is not reduced until the following fiscal year.

Public funding for registered parties began in 2006.

The adjusted rate per vote in 2019-2020 is \$1.728.

Payments to Parties by year for 5 years up to April 1, 2019

Fiscal Year	Green	Liberal	NDP*	Atlantica	PC	Total
2015	\$ 5,757.70	\$ 310,262.78	\$ 182,167.10		\$ 178,625.66	\$ 676,813.24
2016	\$ 5,828.26	\$ 314,065.02	\$ 184,399.54		\$ 180,814.70	\$ 685,107.52
2017	\$ 16,525.64	\$ 318,057.38	\$ 186,743.60	\$ 2,281.51	\$ 230,507.13	\$ 754,115.26
2018	\$ 18,927.02	\$ 269,411.18	\$ 146,794.60	\$ 2,776.04	\$ 243,845.16	\$ 681,754.00
2019	\$ 9,613.73	\$ 136,843.78	\$ 73,729.44	\$ 1,410.05	\$ 123,857.86	\$ 345,454.85

Number of votes	Green	Liberal	NDP*	Atlantica	PC	Total
PGE May 30 201	11,127	158,384	85,335	1,632	143,354	399,832

Abbreviations

Green	Green Party of Nova Scotia
Liberal	Nova Scotia Liberal Party
NDP	Nova Scotia New Democratic Party
Atlantica	Atlantica Party Association of Nova Scotia
PC	The Progressive Conservative Association of Nova Scotia

*Note: The NDP party received 86,299 votes in May 2017 and have asked to reduce public funding in 2018 and 2019 by the number of votes received (964) in Dartmouth East as the party support for the candidate was withdrawn before election day.