

Women Count: Election 2008

	Conservatives	Liberal	NDP	BQ	Green
Funding for Democracy and Women's Equality					
In favour of reinstating Status of Women regional offices	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
In favour of reinstating full funding for the Court Challenges Program	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Women's Political Representation					
Pledged to nominate more women in 2008 than they did in 2006	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
Met that pledge in winnable ridings as of May 2008	X	✓	✓	✓	X
Supports electoral reform	✓	X	✓	X	✓
Women and the Environment					
Supports cutting greenhouse gas emissions in line with targets in the Kyoto protocol	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Advocates for a carbon tax	X	✓	X	X	✓
Supports caps and trading for large industrial polluters	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reproductive Rights					
A majority of MPs voted against Bill C-484 at second reading	X	✓	✓	✓	n/a
Committed to specifically allocating a % of official development assistance for sexual and reproductive health services	X	X	X	X	X
Pay Equity					
Pledged to introduce new pay equity legislation based on the recommendations of the Pay Equity Task Force.	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Child Care					
Supports adopting a federal law mandating a child care system	X	✓	✓	✓	X
Believes increased federal funds are needed to make quality programs available/affordable to families	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Will prevent a corporate take-over of child care programs in Canada	X	X	✓	✓	X
Foreign Policy and Development Policy					
Supports the participation of, and the integration of the needs of, women and girls in peacebuilding	✓	✓	✓	n/a	✓
Support devoting 0.7 % of its Gross National Income to Official Development Assistance	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
In favour of the withdrawal of Canadian troops from Afghanistan by or before 2009	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Women in Poverty					
Committed to a comprehensive package to reduce poverty in Canada	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pledged substantive direct income transfers to low-income women with children (over \$2000/year per child)	X	✓	✓	X	✓
Violence Against Women					
Pledged to immediately commence development of a federal strategy to end violence against women	X	✓	✓	X	X
Pledged to implement an inquiry into missing and murdered Aboriginal women	X	X	X	X	X
Pledged to immediately allocate substantial funds to family law legal aid	X	X	✓	X	X
Pledged to immediately develop and implement a national housing strategy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pledged to allocate a significant dedicated fund for shelters, rape crisis centres, and culturally-specific violence against women programs	X	X	X	X	X
Post-Secondary Education					
Supports a Post-Secondary Act	X	X	✓	X	X
Pledges to increase core funding for post-secondary education	X	X	✓	X	X
Supports non-repayable grants	✓	✓	✓	X	✓

* This analysis is based on public information available as of September 10, 2008.