

Project Name	Essential Report Omnibus Poll
General Project Details	
Research Company	Essential Research
End client/Commissioned by	n/a
Project dates	See below
Australia Polling Council compliant	Yes
Sample Details	
Sample source	Online panel sample supplied by Qualtrics
Data collection	100% online
Sample size	See below
Target population	Australian residents aged 18+
Quotas	Representative of target population. Quotas applied for age, gender and location
Weighting information	
Weighting applied to final/published results	Yes
Weighting methodology	RIM weighting
Weighting variables	Age/Gender/Location/Party ID
Weighting target source	ABS, AEC
Effective sample size	See below
Weighting efficiency	See below
Margin of Error (Effective sample size)	See below
Question information	
Question content	Regular voting intention questions shown below
	Q24/Q25/Q3/Q4/Q5 not asked in every survey
Where any questions asked prior to the polling/voting questions which may have materially influenced results	Voting questions asked immediately following screener questions. No material influence Q14 (Party ID) asked towards end of survey following all published and client proprietary content.

Individual Survey Details

Publication Date	Fieldwork Start Date	Fieldwork End Date	Target sample	Sample Size	Weighting efficiency	Effective Sample Size	Margin of Error
24-May-21	19-May-21	23-May-21	National	1,100	91%	1,006	±3.1%
07-Jun-21	02-Jun-21	06-Jun-21	National	1,104	92%	1,019	±3.1%
21-Jun-21	16-Jun-21	20-Jun-21	National	1,087	94%	1,017	±3.1%
06-Jul-21	30-Jun-21	04-Jul-21	National	1,099	90%	987	±3.1%
			NSW	553	98%	541	±4.2%
19-Jul-21	14-Jul-21	18-Jul-21	National	1,100	91%	1,004	±3.1%
03-Aug-21	28-Jul-21	01-Aug-21	National	1,098	96%	1,057	±3.0%
16-Aug-21	11-Aug-21	15-Aug-21	National	1,100	95%	1,049	±3.0%
30-Aug-21	25-Aug-21	29-Aug-21	National	1,100	93%	1,026	±3.1%
13-Sep-21	08-Sep-21	12-Sep-21	National	1,100	93%	1,023	±3.1%
27-Sep-21	22-Sep-21	26-Sep-21	National	1,094	94%	1,024	±3.1%
11-Oct-21	06-Oct-21	10-Oct-21	National	1,097	90%	987	±3.1%
25-Oct-21	20-Oct-21	24-Oct-21	National (with WA and SA boost)	1,781	63%	1,120	±2.9%
08-Nov-21	03-Nov-21	07-Nov-21	National	1,089	91%	991	±3.1%
22-Nov-21	17-Nov-21	21-Nov-21	National	1,095	92%	1,002	±3.1%
06-Dec-21	01-Dec-21	05-Dec-21	National	1,094	92%	1,010	±3.1%
13-Dec-21	08-Dec-21	13-Dec-21	National	1,095	90%	988	±3.1%



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25-Jan-22	20-Jan-22	23-Jan-22	National	1,062	94%	1,001	±3.1%
08-Feb-22	02-Feb-22	06-Feb-22	National	1,069	92%	985	±3.1%
22-Feb-22	16-Feb-22	21-Feb-22	National	1,089	93%	1,013	±3.1%
08-Mar-22	02-Mar-22	06-Mar-22	National	1,093	93%	1,020	±3.1%
22-Mar-22	17-Mar-22	20-Mar-22	National	1,091	92%	1,000	±3.1%
05-Apr-22	30-Mar-22	02-Apr-22	National	1,086	91%	984	±3.1%
20-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	19-Apr-22	National	1,052	92%	971	±3.1%
03-May-22	27-Apr-22	02-May-22	National	1,630	93%	1,508	±2.5%
18-May-22	11-May-22	17-May-22	National	1,599	91%	1,459	±2.6%
31-May-22	25-May-22	30-May-22	National	1,089	88%	958	±3.2%
15-Jun-22	08-Jun-22	12-Jun-22	National	1,087	88%	957	±3.2%
28-Jun-22 2	23-Jun-22	27-Jun-22	National	1,087	90%	974	±3.1%
			NSW	700	92%	641	±3.9%
12-Jul-22	07-Jul-22	11-Jul-22	National	1,097	94%	1,028	±3.1%
26-Jul-22	20-Jul-22	25-Jul-22	National	1,082	89%	961	±3.2%
09-Aug-22	03-Aug-22	07-Aug-22	National	1,075	87%	932	±3.2%



Questionnaire Content (09 August 2022)

SCREENERS

D1. What is your gender?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Male
- 2. Female
- D2. What is your age?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Under 18 [TERMINATE]
- 2. 18-19
- 3. 20-24
- 4.
- 15. 25-29
- 16. 30-34
- 5. 35-39
- 6. 40-44
- 7. 45-49
- 8. 50-54
- 9. 55-59
- 10. 60-64
- 11.
- 12.65-69
- 13. 70-74
- 14. 75 and over
- D3. In which one of the following areas do you live?

- 1. Brisbane
- 2. Queensland other than Brisbane
- 3. Sydney
- 4. NSW other than Sydney
- 5. Melbourne
- 6. Victoria other than Melbourne
- 7. Adelaide
- 8. South Australia other than Adelaide
- 9. Perth
- 10. Western Australia other than Perth
- 11. Hobart
- 12. Tasmania other than Hobart
- 13. Darwin
- 14. Northern Territory other than Darwin
- 15. Australian Capital Territory
- 16. Other



D4. What is your postcode?

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Q21. If a federal election was held tomorrow, to which party would you give your first preference vote in the House of Representatives (Lower House)?

SINGLE RESPONSE. STATEMENTS 7, 8 & 9 TO REMAIN AT BOTTOM OF LIST RANDOMISE STATEMENTS 1 & 2/11/12

- 1. Labor
- 2. Liberal (Do not show in QLD or NT)
- 3. National (Do not show in QLD or NT)
- 11. Liberal National Party (Only show in QLD)
- 12. Country Liberals (Only show in NT)
- 4. Greens
- 5. Pauline Hanson's One Nation
- 10. United Australia Party
- 7. Independent or other party
- 8. Don't know
- 9. I am not enrolled to vote at federal elections

ASK IF Q21=1-7 or 10-12

Q22. And how likely are you to change your vote between now and the next federal election?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Not at all likely to change
- 2. Not that likely to change
- 3. Quite likely to change
- 4. Very likely to change

ASK IF Q21=8

Q23. Well which party are you currently leaning towards?

SINGLE RESPONSE. STATEMENTS 7, 8 & 9 TO REMAIN AT BOTTOM OF LIST RANDOMISE STATEMENTS 1 & 2/11/12

- 1. Labor
- 2. Liberal (Do not show in QLD or NT)
- 3. National (Do not show in QLD or NT)
- 11. Liberal National Party (Only show in QLD)
- 12. Country Liberals (Only show in NT)
- 4. Greens
- 5. Pauline Hanson's One Nation
- 10. United Australia Party
- 7. Independent or other party
- 8. Don't know



ASK IF Q21=4-7, 10 OR Q23=4-7, 10

Q24. Following your first preference vote, which of the following would you preference higher in the House of Representatives (Lower House)?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Labor
- 2. Liberal/National Coalition
- 3. Unsure

DO NOT ASK IF Q21=9 [I am not enrolled to vote at federal elections]

Q26. If a state election was held tomorrow, to which party would you give your first preference vote in the Legislative Assembly / House of Assembly (Lower House)?

SINGLE RESPONSE. STATEMENTS 18 & 19 TO REMAIN AT BOTTOM OF LIST. RANDOMISE **STATEMENTS 1 & 2/3/4**

- 1. Labor
- 2. Liberal/National (Only show in NSW, VIC and QLD)
- 3. Liberal (Only show in SA, WA, TAS and ACT)
- 5. Country Liberal (Only show in NT)
- 6. Greens
- 9. Shooters, Fishers and Farmers (Only show in NSW, VIC, TAS and NT)
- 13. Sustainable Australia (Only show in NSW)
- 16. Animal Justice Party (Only show in VIC)
- 7. One Nation (Only show in QLD and WA)
- 17. Katter's Australian Party (Only show in QLD)
- 18. SA-BEST (Only show in SA)
- 19. Australian Conservatives (Only show in SA)
- 20. National (Only show in WA)
- 12. Jacqui Lambie Network (Only show in TAS)
- 21. 1 Territory (Only show in NT)
- 22. Reason Party (Only show in ACT)
- 23. Liberal Democrats (Only show in ACT)
- 14. Independent or other party
- 15. Don't know

DO NOT ASK IF Q21=9 [I am not enrolled to vote at federal elections]

Q17. At the most recent Federal election (held on 21 May 2022), to which party did you give your first preference vote in the House of Representatives (Lower House)?

SINGLE RESPONSE. OPTIONS 7, 8 & 9 TO REMAIN AT BOTTOM OF LIST RANDOMISE **OPTIONS 1 & 2/11/12**

- 6. Labor
- 7. Liberal (Do not show in QLD or NT)8. National (Do not show in QLD or NT)
- 13. Liberal National Party (Only show in QLD)
- 14. Country Liberals (Only show in NT)
- 9. Greens
- 10. Pauline Hanson's One Nation
- 13. United Australia Party
- 11. Independent or other party



- 12. Don't know
- 13. I am not enrolled to vote at Federal elections

ASK IF Q17=4-7.10

Q19. Following your first preference vote, which of the following did you preference higher in the House of Representatives (Lower House)?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 5. Labor
- 6. Liberal/National Coalition
- 7. Unsure

ASK IF Q17=1-7, 10, 11 or 12 (i.e. NOT 8 and NOT 9)

- During the month or so before the Election, how seriously did you consider voting for each of the following parties in the House of Representatives (Lower House)?
 - a. Very seriously
 - b. Fairly seriously
 - c. Not that seriously
 - d. Did not consider voting for this party

SINGLE RESPONSE FOR EACH OPTION, RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

- 1. Labor (Do not show if Q17=1)
- 2. Liberal/National Coalition (Do not show if Q17=2, 3, 11 or 12)
- Greens (Do not show if Q17=4)
 Pauline Hanon's One Nation (Do not show if Q17=5)
- 5. United Australia Party (Do not show if Q17=10)
- 6. Independent or other party (Do not show if Q17=7)



ASK ALL

Q37. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Anthony Albanese is doing as Prime Minister?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- Strongly approve
 Approve
 Disapprove

- 4. Strongly disapprove5. Don't know
- E563. In general, would you say that Australia is heading in the right direction or is it off on the wrong track?

SINGLE RESPONSE. ROTATE 1 AND 2.

- 1. Right direction
- 2. Wrong track
- 3. Unsure

ASK ALL

C627. As you may be aware, elected members of the Australian parliament are required to make a pledge of allegiance.

Who do you think they should be required to pledge to serve and bear allegiance to?

SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMISE 1 & 2. ANCHOR 3 AT BOTTOM

- 1. To Australia and the Australian people
- 2. To Queen Elizabeth II
- 3. Unsure

ASK ALL

- E432. How important to you is it that each of the following areas receives increased funding in the next Federal budget handed down by the Albanese Government in October later this year?
 - a. Not at all important
 - b. Not very important
 - c. Quite important
 - d. Important
 - e. Very important

SINGLE RESPONSE FOR EACH ROW. RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

- 1. Early childhood centre-based daycare or preschool
- Improving the quality of aged care
 Incentives and support for small businesses
- 4. Services and facilities to improve women's safety
- 5. Energy transition from fossil fuels to renewables
- 6. Reducing the national deficit
- E615. In the past month, how much have you heard about the proposed Voice to Parliament?



SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Nothing at all
- 2. Hardly anything
- 3. A fair amount
- 4. A lot
- E616. Regardless of what you have or have not heard, a Voice to Parliament is a body enshrined in the Constitution that would enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to provide advice to the Parliament on policies and projects that impact their lives.

Do you support an alteration to the Constitution that establishes an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice?

SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMISE

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- E617. Which of the following is closest to your own view regarding what the government should focus on to support Indigenous Australians?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. The government should focus on an Indigenous Voice to Parliament as it is a critical part of supporting the well-being of Indigenous Australians
- 2. Rather than having a referendum on a Voice, the government should focus instead on addressing the poverty & social problems faced by Indigenous Australians
- 3. Unsure
- E618. In general, how positive or negative do you feel about Australia's future?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Very negative
- 2. Somewhat negative
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Somewhat positive
- 5. Very positive
- E619. Do you think that the Albanese government is...?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMISE

- 1. Focussed on the things that really matter
- 2. Addressing long-term problems
- 3. Out of touch with ordinary people



- 4. Getting things done
- 5. Too idealistic
- E620. Inflation is the rate at which the price of goods and services rise over time. In June 2022 the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) revealed that inflation rose to 6.1%, the highest it has been in 21 years.

To what extent are you concerned about the current rate of inflation and the impact this has on cost of living?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Not concerned at all
- 2. Not that concerned
- 3. Somewhat concerned
- 4. Very concerned
- E621. To what extent would you support or oppose any of the following measures by the Federal government?
 - a. Strongly oppose
 - b. Somewhat oppose
 - c. Neither support, nor oppose
 - d. Somewhat support
 - e. Strongly support

SINGLE RESPONSE PER STATEMENT. RANDOMISE

- 1. Extending the fuel excise cut beyond September
- 2. Delaying the stage 3 income tax cuts, which predominantly benefits higher income earners
- 3. Increasing the rate of the JobSeeker Payment for people who are unemployed



Q14. Regardless of which party you intend to vote for or how you currently feel about the parties and their leaders, to which party do you generally feel closest?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Labor
- 2. Liberal
- 3. National
- 4. Greens
- 8. One Nation
- 5. Independent or other party
- 6. Don't know
- 7. None of them

DEMOGRAPHICS

Thank you for your time so far, we only have a few more questions.

D6. What is the total of all wages/salaries, government benefits, pensions, allowances, and other income that your household usually receives (GROSS - before tax and superannuation deductions)?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. \$3,500 or more per week (\$182,000 or more per year)
- 2. \$3,000-\$3,499 per week (\$156,000-\$181,999 per year)
- 3. \$2,500-\$2,999 per week (\$130,000-\$155,999 per year)
- 4. \$2,000-\$2,499 per week (\$104,000-\$129,999 per year)
- 5. \$1,500-\$1,999 per week (\$78,000-\$103,999 per year)
- 6. \$1,250-\$1,499 per week (\$65,000-\$77,999 per year)
- 7. \$1,000-\$1,249 per week (\$52,000-\$64,999 per year)
- 8. \$800-\$999 per week (\$41,600-\$51,999 per year)
- 9. \$600-\$799 per week (\$31,200-\$41,599 per year)
- 10. \$400-\$599 per week (\$20,800-\$31,199 per year)
- 11. \$300-\$399 per week (\$15,600-\$20,799 per year)
- 12. \$200-\$299 per week (\$10,400-\$15,599 per year)
- 13. \$1-\$199 per week (\$1-\$10,399 per year)
- 14. No income
- 15. Negative income
- 16. Prefer not to say
- D7. What is your current employment status?

- 1. Employed, working Full-time (more than 35hours a week)
- 2. Self Employed, working Full-time (more than 35hours a week)
- 3. Employed, working Part-time (less than 35hours a week)
- 4. Unemployed, looking for Full-time work (more than 35hours a week)
- 5. Unemployed, looking for Part-time work (less than 35hours a week)
- 6. Not Employed and not looking for work
- 7. Student8. Beneficiary/Welfare
- 9. Retired



- 10. Look after the house full time
- 11. Other (please specify)
- 12. Refuse to answer

ASK IF D7=1 OR 3

D19. On which type of contract are you employed?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Permanent contract
- 2. Short-term contract (more than 6 months)
- 3. Daily or weekly hire
- 4. Period trade contract
- 5. Casual
- 6. Independent contractor/sub-contractor
- 7. Labor hire/Employment agency staff
- 8. Probation
- 9. Apprentice/Trainee
- 10. I do not have a formal contract with employer

ASK IF EMPLOYED [D7=1-3]

D15. Which of the following best describes the industry in which you work?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Agriculture
- 2. Mining
- 3. Manufacturing
- 4. Electricity, gas, water and waste services
- 5. Construction
- 6. Wholesale trade
- 7. Retail trade
- 8. Accommodation and food services
- 9. Transport, postal and warehousing
- 10. Information, media and telecommunications
- 11. Rental, hiring and real estate services
- 12. Professional, scientific and technical services
- 13. Administration and support services
- 14. Public administration and safety
- 15. Education and training
- 16. Health care and social assistance
- 17. Arts and recreation services
- 18. Other

ASK ALL

D20. Are you, or have you been in the past a member of a trade union?

- 1. Yes, currently a trade union member
- 2. No, but have been a trade union member in the past
- 3. No, and have never been a member of a trade union



4. Prefer not to answer

ASK ALL

D8. What is your marital status?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Never married
- 2. Widowed
- 3. Divorced
- 4. Separated but not divorced
- 5. Married/De Facto
- 6. Refuse to answer

D14. What is the highest level of education you have attained?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Year 9 and below
- 2. Year 10 and above
- 3. Certificate levels I-IV
- 4. Diploma or advanced diploma
- 5. Graduate diploma or certificate
- Graduate diploma or certification.
 Bachelor or honours degree
 Post-graduate degree
 Other (please specify)
 I prefer not to answer

D11. How are you completing this survey?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Desktop computer at work
- 2. Laptop computer at work
- 3. Laptop on the move
- 4. Desktop computer at home
- 5. Laptop computer at home
- 6. Smart/Mobile phone
- 7. Internet café/Library
- 8. iPad/Tablet
- 9. Other

D21. Which of the following applies to you?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Prefer not to say

SINGLE RESPONSE PER STATEMENT. RANDOMISE ANSWER STATEMENTS.

1. I identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Essential

- 2. I was born in Australia
- 3. Both my parents were born in Australia
- 4. I use a language other than English at home or with close family members
- D12. And which of the following best describes the type of household you currently live in?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- 1. Single without children
- 2. Couple with no children
- 3. Group household with no children
- 4. Mix of adults no children under 18yrs in the household
- 5. Young family mainly dependent pre-school kids
- 6. Middle family mainly dependent school aged kids
- 7. Older family mainly dependent teenagers or older still at home
- 8. Single or couple whose children have left home
- 9. Other

ASK IF D12≠1

D13. Including yourself, how many people in total live in your household?

SINGLE RESPONSE

- One (Only show if D12=8)
 Two
 Three
 Four

- 5. Five
- 6. Six or more

ASK IF D12=5,6,7 OR 9

D9. How many **dependent children** are there in your household?

- 1. One
- 2. Two
- 3. Three
- 4. Four
- 5. Five
- 6. Six
- 7. Seven8. Eight or more

