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ELECTION STUDY

Questionnaire booklet

2025

Welcome to the 2025 Australian Election Study (AES)!

This questionnaire is designed to be completed by Australian citizens aged 18 years and over. If any household member is part of the AES community and completed in 2022, we ask that they also be the person to complete the survey this time.

The questionnaire will take around 40 minutes to complete, depending on your answers. By participating, you will help us understand how the public feels about issues facing the country at the time of each Federal election.

To thank you for your help, we will send you a further \$20 gift card once we receive your completed survey.

Remember, you can still complete online by visiting www.srcentre.com.au/aes and entering the unique password provided in the letter we sent you. Completing online is our preference as it helps us process responses more quickly and means you can recycle this booklet.

Your participation in the survey is voluntary. If there are any questions you don't want to answer, you can skip over them without providing a response. Your views will remain strictly confidential and will be reported only as part of the general findings from the survey.

For further information regarding the study, please go to the following Participant Information page: www.srcentre.com.au/election

HOW TO FILL OUT THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

1. To answer most of the questions you only need to select a response. Please select the response which is closest to your view – there are no right or wrong answers. We just want your opinions.

Here is an example.

Do you think the government should spend more or less on education?

Spend more on education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	■
Spend less on education	<input type="checkbox"/>	2	
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/>	3	

If you think the government should spend more on education, you would place a cross **X** in the box next to the first response.

2. Sometimes you are asked to write in an answer – in that case, simply write your answer in the space provided.

What is your age?

i Please write in as a number

1	8
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3. Please read each question carefully. Sometimes additional information that will help you answer the question will appear next to this symbol **i**.

i Remember, there are no right or wrong answers – we just want to know your own personal opinions.

If you have any questions or concerns about the survey, please call 1800 023 040 or email the Social Research Centre on: aes@srcentre.com.au.

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Section A: The Election Campaign

First, some questions about the Federal election campaign, the period between when the election was announced on Friday, 28 March and election day on Saturday, 3 May.

A1 Generally speaking, how much interest do you **usually have** in what's going on in politics?

- ₁ A good deal
- ₂ Some
- ₃ Not much
- ₄ None

A2 How much attention did you pay to reports about the election campaign...?

	A good deal	Some	Not much	None at all
a. In the newspapers	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
b. On the television	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
c. On the radio	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
d. On the internet	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄

A3 And, how much interest would you say you took **in the election campaign** overall?

- ₁ A good deal
- ₂ Some
- ₃ Not much
- ₄ None at all

A4 Here is a list of things some people do during elections. How often did you do any of these things during the recent election?

	Frequently	Occasionally	Rarely	Not at all
a. Discuss politics with others in person (i.e. face-to-face or over the phone)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
b. Discuss politics with others online (i.e. through email or on social media like Facebook, TikTok, or X, formerly Twitter)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
c. Talk to other people to persuade them to vote for a particular party or candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
d. Show your support for a particular party or candidate by, e.g. attending a meeting, putting up a poster, or in some other way	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
e. Go to any political meetings or rallies	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
f. Contribute money to a political party or election candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄

A5 Did you watch the televised debates between Anthony Albanese and Peter Dutton?

- ₁ Yes, watched all four
- ₂ Yes, watched three of them
- ₃ Yes, watched two of them
- ₄ Yes, watched one only
- ₅ No, didn't watch any

A6 From what you saw or what you heard or read about them, who do you think performed better in the debates – Anthony Albanese or Peter Dutton?

- ₁ Albanese did much better
- ₂ Albanese did somewhat better
- ₃ About equal
- ₄ Dutton did somewhat better
- ₅ Dutton did much better

A7 During the election campaign, did a candidate or anyone from a political party contact you to persuade you to vote for them?

i Please select all that apply.

- 1 No
- 2 Yes, by telephone
- 3 Yes, by mail
- 4 Yes, face-to-face
- 5 Yes, by text message or SMS
- 6 Yes, by email
- 7 Yes, by social media

A8 Do you think that voting at Federal elections should be compulsory, or do you think that people should only have to vote if they want to?

- 1 Strongly favour compulsory voting
- 2 Favour compulsory voting
- 3 Favour people voting only if they want to
- 4 Strongly favour people voting only if they want to

A9 Would you have voted in the election if voting had not been compulsory?

- 1 Definitely would have voted
- 2 Probably would have voted
- 3 Might / might not have voted
- 4 Probably would not have voted
- 5 Definitely would not have voted
- 6 Not eligible to vote

A10 Do you think that the voting age in elections should be lowered to 16, or should it stay at 18?

- 1 Definitely lowered to 16
- 2 Probably lowered to 16
- 3 Probably stay at 18
- 4 Definitely stay at 18

A11a During the election campaign, in a typical week, how many days did you use social media such as Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram or TikTok to follow news about parties and candidates?

- 1 None/zero days → **GO TO A11c**
- 2 One day
- 3 Two days
- 4 Three days
- 5 Four days
- 6 Five days
- 7 Six days
- 8 Seven days

A11b And how often during a typical day did you use social media such as Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram or TikTok to follow news about parties and candidates?

- 1 Only about once per day
- 2 Several times per day
- 3 At least 10 times per day

A11c During the 2025 election campaign, did you read or access any of the following?

i Please select all that apply.

- 1 Party or campaign websites
- 2 TV or newspaper websites (e.g. ABC Online, SMH site etc.)
- 3 Election blogs
- 4 Federal Parliament website
- 5 Australian Electoral Commission website
- 6 Voting advice website (e.g. VoteCompass)
- 7 No, none of the above

A12 During the 2025 election campaign, did you do any of the following activities on social media such as Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram or TikTok?

i Please select all that apply.

- 1 Signed up to receive information from a party or candidate
- 2 Shared campaign or political content
- 3 Joined or started a political group
- 4 No, none of the above

Section B: Party Preference and Voting

B1 Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as Liberal, Labor, National or what?

- 1 Liberal
- 2 Labor
- 3 National
- 4 Greens
- 5 Other party (please specify)
- 6 No party → **GO TO B3**

B2 Would you call yourself a very strong, fairly strong, or not very strong supporter of that party?

- 1 Very strong supporter
- 2 Fairly strong supporter
- 3 Not very strong supporter

B3 Would you say you cared a good deal which party won the Federal election or that you did not care very much which party won?

- 1 Cared a good deal
- 2 Did not care very much
- 3 Did not care at all

B4 When did you decide how you would **definitely** vote in this election?

- 1 A long time ago
- 2 A few months ago, before election day was announced
- 3 About the time the election was announced, on Friday, 28 March
- 4 In the first few weeks of the campaign
- 5 A few days before election day
- 6 On election day
- 7 Did not vote in this election → **GO TO B6**

B5 In deciding how you would vote in the election, which was **most** important to you?

i Please select **one only**.

- 1 The party leaders
- 2 The policy issues
- 3 The candidates in your electorate
- 4 The parties taken as a whole

B6 Which do you think is better – when the Federal Government has a majority in **both** the House of Representatives **and** the Senate, OR when the Federal Government in the House of Representatives **does not** control the Senate?

- 1 Much better when Government controls **both**
- 2 Better when Government controls **both**
- 3 Neither / doesn't matter
- 4 Better when Government **does not** control the Senate
- 5 Much better when Government **does not** control the Senate

B6a Which do you think is better - when the Federal Government has a majority of seats in the House of Representatives, or when it needs support from independents or minor party members (sometimes called the 'crossbench') to form a minority government?

- 1 Much better when Government has a majority
- 2 Better when Government has a majority
- 3 Neither / doesn't matter
- 4 Better when there is a minority Government
- 5 Much better when there is a minority Government

B6b Generally speaking, do you think a government formed by one party, or a government formed by more than one party, is better at doing the following things?

	One party is best	More than one party is best	Both the same
a. Providing stability	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. Making tough decisions	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
c. Keeping promises	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
d. Doing what the people want	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

B7 Considering everything the Labor Party and the Liberal Party stand for, would you say there is...?

- 1 A good deal of difference between the parties
- 2 Some difference between the parties
- 3 Not much difference between the parties
- 4 No difference between the parties

B8a In politics, people sometimes talk about the 'left' and the 'right'. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means the left and 10 means the right?

Left Right

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

B8b Using the same scale, where would you place each of the Federal political parties?

	Left	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Right
a. Liberal Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
b. Labor Party (ALP)	<input type="checkbox"/>											
c. National Party	<input type="checkbox"/>											
d. Greens	<input type="checkbox"/>											

B9a In the Federal election for the House of Representatives on Saturday 3 May, which party did you vote for **first** in the **House of Representatives**?

₁ Liberal Party

₂ Labor Party (ALP)

₃ National Party

₄ Greens

₅ Other party (*please specify*)

₆ Voted informal / Did not vote

B9b Which party did you vote for in the **Senate** election?

₁ Liberal Party

₂ Labor Party (ALP)

₃ National Party

₄ Greens

₅ Other party (*please specify*)

₆ Voted informal / Did not vote

B10 If you voted, did you vote in person on election day or did you cast your vote before election day?

₁ Voted in person on election day

₂ Voted in person before election day (at a pre-polling voting centre)

₃ Cast postal vote before election day

₄ Voted by phone on election day

₅ Voted by phone before election day

B11a If you voted for the Greens or other minor party in the **House of Representatives**, which of the two major parties, the Liberal-National Coalition or the Labor Party, did you give your preference to?

₁ Liberal-National Coalition

₂ Labor Party (ALP)

₃ Not sure / Don't know

B11b If you voted for the Greens or other minor party in the **Senate**, which major party did you give your preference to?

₁ Liberal-National Coalition

₂ Labor Party (ALP)

₃ Not sure / Don't know

B12 If you voted in the **House of Representatives**, did you follow a party 'How to Vote' card or did you decide your own preferences?

₁ Followed a 'How to Vote' card

₂ Decided my own preferences

B13 Was there any time during the election campaign when you **seriously** thought you might give your **first** preference to another party in the **House of Representatives**?

i Please select **one** only.

- 1 No
- 2 Yes, Liberal Party
- 3 Yes, Labor Party (ALP)
- 4 Yes, National Party
- 5 Yes, Greens
- 6 Yes, another party / independent

B14 In the last Federal election in May 2022, when the Liberals were led by Scott Morrison and Labor by Anthony Albanese, which party got your first preference then in the **House of Representatives** election?

- 1 Liberal Party
- 2 Labor Party (ALP)
- 3 National Party
- 4 Greens
- 5 Another party / independent
- 6 Did not vote

B15 Before this current Federal election for the **House of Representatives**, had you always voted for the same party, or had you sometimes voted for different parties?

i Please select **all that apply**.

- 1 Always voted for the same party
- 2 Sometimes voted Liberal
- 3 Sometimes voted Labor (ALP)
- 4 Sometimes voted National
- 5 Sometimes voted Greens
- 6 Sometimes voted for other party / independent
- 7 Did not vote before this election

B15a In the Constitutional Referendum held on Saturday 14 October 2023, did you vote YES or NO for the Voice to Parliament?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Voted informal / Did not vote
- 4 Not eligible

B16 Some people say that **political parties** in Australia care what ordinary people think. Others say that political parties in Australia don't care what ordinary people think. Where would you place your view on this scale from 1 to 5?

Political parties in Australia care what ordinary people think

Political parties in Australia don't care what ordinary people think

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

B17 Where would you place your view on this scale from 1 to 5, where 1 means that political parties are necessary to make our political system work, and 5 means that political parties are not needed in Australia?

Political parties are necessary to make our political system work

Political parties are not needed in Australia

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

B18 Finally in this section, we would like to know what you think about each of our political parties. Please rate each party on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly **dislike** that party and 10 means that you strongly **like** that party. If you are neutral about a particular party or don't know much about them, you should give them a rating of 5.

How do you feel about the...?	Strongly dislike					Neutral					Strongly like				
a. Liberal Party	<input type="checkbox"/>														
b. Labor Party (ALP)	<input type="checkbox"/>														
c. National Party	<input type="checkbox"/>														
d. Greens	<input type="checkbox"/>														

B19 On the whole, how would you describe the following parties nowadays? Does the Liberal-National Coalition keep its promises? And would you describe the Labor Party as a party that keeps its promises?

	Keeps its promises		Breaks its promises		Unsure	
a. Liberal-National Coalition	<input type="checkbox"/>					
b. Labor Party	<input type="checkbox"/>					

B20 Would you describe the Liberal-National Coalition as capable of strong government or not capable of strong government? And how about the Labor Party?

	Capable of strong government		Not capable of strong government		Unsure	
a. Liberal-National Coalition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Labor Party	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B21 Would you describe the Liberal-National Coalition as united or divided? And how about the Labor Party?

	United		Divided		Unsure	
a. Liberal-National Coalition	<input type="checkbox"/>					
b. Labor Party	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Section C: Politicians and Government

C1 Again using a scale from 0 to 10, please show how much you **like** or **dislike** the party leaders. If you don't know much about them, you should give them a rating of 5.

How do you feel about...?	Strongly dislike					Neutral					Strongly like				
a. Anthony Albanese	<input type="checkbox"/>														
b. Peter Dutton	<input type="checkbox"/>														
c. David Littleproud	<input type="checkbox"/>														
d. Adam Bandt	<input type="checkbox"/>														

C2 Here is a list of words and phrases people use to describe party leaders. Thinking first about **Anthony Albanese**, in your opinion how well does each of these describe him – extremely well, quite well, not too well or not well at all?

	Extremely well		Quite well		Not too well		Not well at all	
a. Intelligent	<input type="checkbox"/>							
b. Compassionate	<input type="checkbox"/>							
c. Competent	<input type="checkbox"/>							
d. Sensible	<input type="checkbox"/>							
e. Provides strong leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>							
f. Honest	<input type="checkbox"/>							
g. Knowledgeable	<input type="checkbox"/>							
h. Inspiring	<input type="checkbox"/>							
i. Trustworthy	<input type="checkbox"/>							

C3 Now thinking about **Peter Dutton**, in your opinion how well does each of these describe him – extremely well, quite well, not too well or not well at all?

	Extremely well	Quite well	Not too well	Not well at all
a. Intelligent	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
b. Compassionate	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
c. Competent	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
d. Sensible	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
e. Provides strong leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
f. Honest	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
g. Knowledgeable	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
h. Inspiring	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
i. Trustworthy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

C4 On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Australia?

- 1 Very satisfied
- 2 Fairly satisfied
- 3 Not very satisfied
- 4 Not at all satisfied

C5 In general, do you feel that the people in government are too often interested in looking after themselves, or do you feel that they can be trusted to do the right thing nearly all the time?

- 1 Usually look after themselves
- 2 Sometimes look after themselves
- 3 Sometimes can be trusted to do the right thing
- 4 Usually can be trusted to do the right thing

C6 Would you say the government is run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

- 1 Entirely run for the big interests
- 2 Mostly run for the big interests
- 3 About half and half
- 4 Mostly run for the benefit of all
- 5 Entirely run for the benefit of all

C7 Over the past five years or so, have you done any of the following things to express your views about something the government should or should not be doing?

i Please select 'Yes' or 'No' for each action.

	Yes	No
a. Contacted a politician or government official by email	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
b. Contacted a politician or government official either in person, or in writing	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
c. Taken part in a protest, march or demonstration	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
d. Worked together with people who shared the same concern	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
e. Signed a written petition	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
f. Signed an online petition	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2

C8 Some people say that **Federal politicians** know what ordinary people think. Others say that Federal politicians don't know much about what ordinary people think. Where would you place your view on this scale from 1 to 5?

Federal politicians know what ordinary people think

Federal politicians don't know what ordinary people think

1 2 3 4 5

C9 Some people say it makes a big difference who is in power. Others say it doesn't make any difference who is in power. Using the scale below, where would you place yourself?

It makes a big difference who is in power

It doesn't make any difference who is in power

1 2 3 4 5

C10 Some people say that no matter who people vote for, it won't make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a big difference to what happens. Using the scale below, where would you place yourself?

Who people vote for can make a big difference

Who people vote for won't make any difference

1 2 3 4 5

C10a The House of Representatives currently has a maximum term of three years. Some people think four-year parliaments are better to give governments more time to govern. Other people think three-year parliaments are better to hold governments accountable. Which is closer to your view:

1 Four-year parliaments better

2 Three-year parliaments better

3 No preference

C10b There is currently no limit on the number of terms a Member of Parliament can serve in the parliament, provided they win elections. Some people think it is better to have term limits for Members of Parliament, to have more community representation. Other people think it is better to have no term limits for Members of Parliament, to have more experienced politicians. Which is closer to your view:

1 Term limits for Members of Parliament better

2 No term limits for Members of Parliament better

3 No preference

C10c Some political decisions are made by elected representatives on behalf of citizens, while other decisions are made directly by citizens in referendums. Some people think it can be better to have more referendums than now, to give citizens more of a say. Other people think it can be better to have fewer referendums than now, as citizens already have enough of a say. Which is closer to your view:

1 More referendums better

2 Fewer referendums better

3 No preference

C10d A Citizens' Assembly is a body made up of randomly selected citizens who consider important policy issues and advise the government. Some people think a Citizens' Assembly is a good idea for Australia, to give citizens more of a say. Other people think a Citizens' Assembly is not a good idea for Australia, as citizens already have enough of a say. Which is closer to your view:

1 Citizens' Assembly a good idea for Australia

2 Citizens' Assembly not a good idea for Australia

3 No preference

C11 Finally in this section, please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. The people instead of politicians should make our most important policy decisions	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Politicians in the government are corrupt	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Politicians make decisions that harm the interests of the ordinary people	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. The ordinary people should have more influence in political decision-making than big companies that only want to make profits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
e. Democracy is always and under all circumstances preferable to any other kind of government	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

Section D: Election Issues

D1 Here is a list of important issues that were discussed during the election campaign. **When you were deciding how to vote**, how important was each of these issues to you personally?

i Please select a response for each issue.

	Extremely important	Quite important	Not very important
a. Taxation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. Immigration	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
c. Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
d. The environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
e. Health and Medicare	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
f. Climate change	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
g. Management of the economy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
h. The cost of living	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
i. National security	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
j. Housing affordability	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

D2 Still thinking about these same issues, whose policies – the Labor Party's or the Liberal-National Coalition's – would you **come closer** to your own views on each of these issues?

i Please select a response for each issue.

	Labor (ALP)	Liberal-National Coalition	No difference	Don't know
a. Taxation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
b. Immigration	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
c. Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
d. The environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
e. Health and Medicare	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
f. Climate change	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
g. Management of the economy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
h. The cost of living	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
i. National security	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
j. Housing affordability	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

D3 Still thinking about the same 10 issues, which of these issues was the **most** important to you and your family during the election campaign? And which was the **second most** important issue?

i Please select **one issue in each column**.

	Most important	Second most important
a. Taxation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
b. Immigration	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
c. Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
d. The environment	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
e. Health and Medicare	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
f. Climate change	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
g. Management of the economy	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 7
h. The cost of living	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 8
i. National security	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 9
j. Housing affordability	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 10

D4 How does the **financial situation of your household** now compare with what it was 12 months ago? And how do you think the **general economic situation in Australia** now compares with what it was 12 months ago?

	A lot better	A little better	About the same	A little worse	A lot worse
a. Financial situation of your household	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Economic situation in Australia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

D5 Compared with 12 months ago, would you say that the **Federal government's policies** have had a good effect, a bad effect, or that they really have not made much difference to the **financial situation of your household**? And what effect do you think they have had on the **general economic situation in Australia** as a whole?

	A good effect	Not much difference	A bad effect
a. Financial situation of your household	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. Economic situation in Australia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

D6 Compared to now, what do you think the financial situation of your household will be **in 12 months' time**? And what do you think the general economic situation in Australia as a whole will be in 12 months' time?

	A lot better	A little better	About the same	A little worse	A lot worse
a. Financial situation of your household	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Economic situation in Australia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

D7 Do you think that, **12 months from now**, the Federal government's policies will have had a good effect, a bad effect, or that they really will have not made much difference to the financial situation of your household? And what effect do you think they will have had on the general economic situation in Australia as a whole?

	A good effect	Not much difference	A bad effect
a. Financial situation of your household	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. Economic situation in Australia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

D8 If you lost your job, how easy or difficult would it be to find another job **in the next 12 months**? If your spouse / partner lost their job, how easy or difficult would it be for them to find another job **in the next 12 months**?

	Very easy	Somewhat easy	Somewhat difficult	Very difficult	Do not have a job	Do not have a spouse/partner
a. You	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
b. Your spouse / partner	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

D9 Please say whether there should be more or less public expenditure in each of the following areas. Remember if you say 'more' it could require a tax increase, and if you say 'less' it could require a reduction in those services.

	Much more than now	Somewhat more than now	The same as now	Somewhat less than now	Much less than now
a. Health	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Unemployment benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Defence	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
e. Old-age pensions	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
f. Business and industry	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
g. Police and law enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
h. The National Disability Insurance Scheme	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

D10 Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. The trade unions in this country have too much power	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Big business in this country has too much power	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

D10a Do you support or oppose Australia using nuclear power to generate electricity, alongside other sources of energy?

- 1 Strongly support
- 2 Support
- 3 Neither support nor oppose
- 4 Oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose

Section E: Social Policy

E1 If the government had a choice between reducing taxes or spending more on social services, which do you think it should do?

- 1 Strongly favour reducing taxes
- 2 Mildly favour reducing taxes
- 3 It depends
- 4 Mildly favour spending more on social services
- 5 Strongly favour spending more on social services

E2 The statements below indicate some of the changes that have been happening in Australia over the years. For each one, please say whether you think the change has gone too far, not gone far enough, or is about right?

	Gone much too far	Gone too far	About right	Not gone far enough	Not gone nearly far enough
a. Aboriginal land rights	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Equal opportunities for women	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Government help for Indigenous Australians	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Building close relations with Asia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

E3 Here are some statements about general social concerns. Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. The smoking of marijuana should NOT be a criminal offence	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. All boats carrying asylum seekers should be turned back	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Terminally ill patients should be able to end their own lives with medical assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
e. The government should increase opportunities for women in business and industry	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

E4 Now, a question about your views on Indigenous policy. Do you support or oppose the government taking the following actions?

	Strongly support	Support	Neither support nor oppose	Oppose	Strongly oppose
a. Practical measures to improve the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Undertake Treaty-making with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Establish a Truth-Telling body to investigate historical injustices committed against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Enable greater participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the design and implementation of policies that affect them	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

E5a Finally in this section, a question about what you think the aims of Australia should be for the next ten years. Here is a list of four aims that different people would give priority. If you had to choose among these four aims, which would be your **first** choice?

- 1 Maintain order in the nation
- 2 Give people more say in important government decisions
- 3 Fight rising prices
- 4 Protect freedom of speech

E5b Which would be your **second** choice?

- 1 Maintain order in the nation
- 2 Give people more say in important government decisions
- 3 Fight rising prices
- 4 Protect freedom of speech

Section F: General Political Views

F1 How important do you feel the King and the Royal Family are to Australia?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Fairly important
- 3 Not very important

F2 Do you think that Australia should become a republic with an Australian head of state, or should the King be retained as head of state?

- 1 Strongly favour becoming republic
- 2 Favour becoming republic
- 3 Favour retaining the King as head of state
- 4 Strongly favour retaining the King as head of state

F3 How important do you think the Australian alliance with the United States under the ANZUS treaty is for protecting Australia's security?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Fairly important
- 3 Not very important
- 4 Not at all important

F4 If Australia's security were threatened by some other country, how much trust do you feel Australia can have in the United States to come to Australia's defence?

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Not very much
- 4 None at all

F5 In your opinion, are any of the following countries likely to pose a threat to Australia's security?

	Very likely	Fairly likely	Not very likely
a. Japan	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. United States	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
c. China	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
d. Indonesia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
e. Russia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

F5a Do you think AUKUS, the security partnership between Australia, the United States and the United Kingdom, will make Australia more safe, less safe or make no difference?

- 1 More safe
- 2 Makes no difference
- 3 Less safe
- 4 Never heard of AUKUS

F6 Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the following statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. Australia's defence is stronger now than it was 10 years ago	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Australia would be able to defend itself successfully if it were ever attacked	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Australia's trading future lies in Asia	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

F6a In response to trade tariffs imposed by the United States, would you support or oppose the Australian government taking the following actions on trade?

	Strongly support	Support	Neither support nor oppose	Oppose	Strongly oppose
a. Keeping things as they are now	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Imposing a retaliatory tariff on imports from the United States	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Strengthening Australia's trading relationships with other countries	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Making a deal with the United States government to remove tariffs, even if it involves some compromise	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

F6b Now that Donald Trump is President of the United States, which one of the following statements comes closest to your personal view?

- 1 Australia should remain close to the United States under President Donald Trump
- 2 Australia should distance itself from the United States under President Donald Trump

F6c Which side in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, if any, do you sympathise with more?

- 1 Much more with the Israeli side
- 2 A little more with the Israeli side
- 3 Neither side or both sides equally
- 4 A little more with the Palestinian side
- 5 Much more with the Palestinian side

F7 Do you think the number of immigrants allowed into Australia nowadays should be reduced or increased?

- 1 Increased a lot
- 2 Increased a little
- 3 Remain about the same as it is
- 4 Reduced a little
- 5 Reduced a lot

F8 There are different opinions about the effects that immigrants have on Australia. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a. Immigrants increase the crime rate	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
b. Immigrants are generally good for Australia's economy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
c. Immigrants make Australia more open to new ideas and cultures	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
d. Immigrants increase the cost of housing	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

F9 How serious a threat do you think climate change will pose to you or your way of life in your lifetime?

- 1 Very serious
- 2 Fairly serious
- 3 Not very serious
- 4 Not at all serious

F10 And, a final question for this section, a quick quiz on Australian government. For each of the following statements, please say whether it is true or false. If you don't know the answer, select the 'Don't know' option and try the next one.

	True	False	Don't know
a. Australia became a federation in 1901	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
b. There are 75 members of the House of Representatives	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
c. The Constitution can only be changed by the High Court	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
d. The Senate election is based on proportional representation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
e. No one may stand for Federal parliament unless they pay a deposit	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
f. The longest time allowed between Federal elections for the House of Representatives is four years	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

Section G: Education and Work

G1 How old were you when you left secondary school?

1 Record age in years

2 No formal schooling

3 Went to primary school only

4 Still in secondary school

G2 In all, how many years of **tertiary** study have you completed since you left secondary school? If your tertiary study was part-time, give the number of years of equivalent full-time study.

1 Record years of full-time tertiary study

G3 Have you obtained a trade qualification, a degree or a diploma, or any other qualification since leaving school? What is your highest qualification?

i If you are qualified, please select your **highest** qualification.

1 No qualification since leaving school

2 Postgraduate Degree or Postgraduate Diploma

3 Bachelor Degree (including Honours)

4 Undergraduate Diploma

5 Associate Diploma

6 Trade qualification

7 Non-trade qualification

G4 Now some questions about the work you are doing now. Last week, what were you mainly doing?

1 Working full-time for pay

2 Working part-time for pay

3 Unemployed – looking for full-time work

4 Unemployed – looking for part-time work

5 Retired from paid work

6 A full-time school or university student

7 Family or caring responsibilities

8 Other (please specify)

G5a What kind of work do you do? Please give your full job title, and as much detail as you can. For public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation.

i *If you are unemployed or retired, please describe your last regular paid job.*

1 Record full job title

2 Have never worked for pay → **GOTO SECTION H**

G5b What are (or were) the **main tasks** that you usually perform? Please give full details.

1 Record main tasks

G5c What kind of business or industry is (or was) that in? What do they do or make at the place where you work (or used to work)?

1 Record kind of business or industry

G5d Which of the following **best describes** the position that you hold (or held)?

1 Upper managerial

2 Middle managerial

3 Lower managerial

4 Supervisory

5 Non-supervisory

G5e Whom do (or did) you work for?

1 Self-employed

2 Employee in private company or business

3 Employee of Federal / State / Local Government

4 Employee in family business or farm

G5f As an official part of your job, do (or did) you directly supervise the work of other employees or tell other employees what work to do?

1 Yes

2 No

G6 Do you belong to a trade union?

1 Yes

2 No

Section H: Personal background

This final section includes questions about yourself and your family background. These characteristics are very important to our research on how people in different circumstances feel about the issues covered earlier.

The information you provide is totally confidential and will be used only for this research.

H1a Are you male or female?

- ₁ Male
- ₂ Female
- ₃ Other

H2 In what year were you born?

₁ Record year of birth

H3a In which country were **you** born? And your **mother**? And your **father**?

	Yourself	Mother	Father
a. Australia	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁
b. New Zealand	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
c. United Kingdom	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃
d. Republic of Ireland	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
e. Italy	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
f. Germany	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆
g. Greece	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇
h. China	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈
i. India	<input type="checkbox"/> ₉	<input type="checkbox"/> ₉	<input type="checkbox"/> ₉
j. Vietnam	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₀	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₀	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₀
k. Philippines	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₁
l. Other (<i>please specify below</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁₂

Yourself

Mother

Father

H3b Are you currently an Australian citizen?

- ₁ Yes
- ₂ No

H4 Do you identify yourself as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

- ₁ Yes
- ₂ No

H5 Did your **father** have any particular preference for one of the political parties when you were young, say about 14 years old? And how about your **mother**?

	Father	Mother
a. Liberal	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁
b. Labor (ALP)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂
c. National / Country	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃
d. Greens	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
e. Democratic Labor (DLP)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
f. Australian Democrats	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆	<input type="checkbox"/> ₆
g. Other parties	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇	<input type="checkbox"/> ₇
h. Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈	<input type="checkbox"/> ₈

H6 What is your religion or faith?

- 1 Roman Catholic
- 2 Anglican / Church of England
- 3 Uniting Church / Methodist
- 4 Orthodox Church
- 5 Presbyterian
- 6 Other (*please specify*)

- 7 No religion

H7 Apart from weddings, funerals and baptisms, about how often do you attend religious services?

- 1 At least once a week
- 2 At least once a month
- 3 Several times a year
- 4 At least once a year
- 5 Less than once a year
- 6 Never

H7a What is the postcode or name of the suburb or town where you live?

H8 What is your current marital status?

- 1 Never married → **GO TO SECTION J**
- 2 Now married (including de facto relationships)
- 3 Widowed → **GO TO SECTION J**
- 4 Divorced or separated → **GO TO SECTION J**

Section I: Partner

This section is for those who are married or living with a partner. If you are not currently married or living in a de facto relationship, please go to section J.

I1 What was your **partner's** main activity last week?

- 1 Working full-time for pay
- 2 Working part-time for pay
- 3 Unemployed – looking for full-time work
- 4 Unemployed – looking for part-time work
- 5 Retired from paid work
- 6 A full-time school or university student
- 7 Family or caring responsibilities
- 8 Other (*please specify*)

I2a What kind of work does (or did) your **partner** do? Please give their full job title, and as much detail as you can. For public servants, state official designation and occupation. For armed services personnel, state rank and occupation.

i *If not working for pay now, please describe your partner's last regular paid job*

1 Record full job title

2 Have never worked for pay → **GO TO QUESTION I6**

I2b What are (or were) the **main tasks** that your **partner** usually performs? Please give full details.

1 Record main tasks

I3 Whom does (or did) your **partner** work for?

1 Self-employed

2 Employee in private company or business

3 Employee of Federal / State / Local Government

4 Employee in family business or farm

I4 As an official part of their job, does (or did) your **partner** directly supervise the work of other employees or tell other employees what work to do?

1 Yes

2 No

I5 Does your **partner** belong to a trade union?

1 Yes

2 No

I6 Generally speaking, does your **partner** usually think of himself or herself as Liberal, Labor, National or what?

1 Liberal

2 Labor

3 National

4 Greens

5 Other party (*please specify*)

6 No party

Section J: Household

Some questions now about your household.

J1 Do you own outright, or are you buying or renting the dwelling in which you now live?

1 Own outright

2 Own, paying off mortgage

3 Rent from private landlord or real estate agent

4 Rent from public housing authority

5 Other (boarding, living at home, etc.)

J2 Do you own any investment properties?

1 Yes

2 No

J3 Do you have a self-managed superannuation fund?

1 Yes

2 No

J4 Which social class would you say you belong to?

- ₁ Upper class
- ₂ Middle class
- ₃ Working class
- ₄ None

J5 Would you say you now live in...?

- ₁ A rural area or village
- ₂ A small country town (under 10,000 people)
- ₃ A larger country town (over 10,000 people)
- ₄ A large town (over 25,000 people)
- ₅ A major city (over 100,000 people)

J6 What is the gross annual income, before tax or other deductions, for you and your family living with you from all sources? Please include any pensions and allowances, and income from interest or dividends.

i *We are seeking your best estimate only. If on an age pension or disability support pension, for a single person select \$25,001 to \$35,000 per year. For a couple, select \$45,001 - \$60,000 per year.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ₁ Less than \$15,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₈ \$100,001 to \$120,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₂ \$15,001 to \$25,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₉ \$120,001 to \$140,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₃ \$25,001 to \$35,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₁₀ \$140,001 to \$160,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₄ \$35,001 to \$45,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₁₁ \$160,001 to \$200,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₅ \$45,001 to \$60,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₁₂ \$200,001 to \$250,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₆ \$60,001 to \$80,000 per year | <input type="checkbox"/> ₁₃ More than \$250,000 per year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ₇ \$80,001 to \$100,000 per year | |

J7 Do you own shares in any company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (shares registered in your name or that of your family company)?

- ₁ No, don't own any shares
- ₂ Yes, in one company
- ₃ Yes, in two to five companies
- ₄ Yes, in six to 10 companies
- ₅ Yes, in more than 10 companies

J8 Do you or your partner receive any of the following benefits from the government?

i *Please select all that apply.*

- ₁ Family payments (Family Tax Benefit A and B)
- ₂ Child Care Benefit
- ₃ Unemployment benefits (e.g. JobSeeker)
- ₄ Aged Pension
- ₅ Disability Support Pension
- ₆ Veterans' Pension
- ₇ No, none of the above

J9 Just to confirm, are you currently enrolled to vote in Australia?

- ₁ Yes, I am enrolled to vote
- ₂ No, I am not enrolled to vote
- ₃ I don't know whether I am enrolled

Section W: Final questions

W0 Were you enrolled to vote in Australia at the previous Federal election in 2022?

- 1 Yes, I was enrolled to vote
- 2 No, I was not enrolled to vote
- 3 I don't know whether I was enrolled

W1 Including yourself, how many people aged 18 years or older live in your household?

1 Record number of people aged 18+

W2 Some households also completed the survey at the time of the 2022 election and are part of the AES community. Did you personally complete the Australian Election Study survey in 2022?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No, but someone else in my household did
- 3 No, nobody in my household did

W3 Would you be prepared to take part in a similar survey at the time of the next Federal election in 2028?

i *If you choose to stay in the study we may occasionally send you updates about the project, key findings and media activity. If you decide that you want to withdraw, just contact us and we will delete your details.*

1 Yes – please provide your contact details below

Full name:

a

Street address:

b1

Suburb:

b2

Postcode:

b3

Email address:

c

Phone:

d

2 No

Thank you for participating in this important study!

Please put the questionnaire in the reply-paid envelope and post it back to us:
Australian Election Study, c/o The Social Research Centre, Reply Paid 93399, PORT MELBOURNE VIC 3207.

Once your survey has been returned and processed, we will send out your \$20 gift card.

We will send it to the same address we sent the survey invitation.

If you have any questions about the research, or need to update your mailing details for the gift card, please call 1800 023 040 or email the Social Research Centre on: aes@srcentre.com.au.

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