

# Federal vote intention and public opinion

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# **Key findings**

- The Labor Party still leads on two-party preferred, but support now look much like the 2022 election results.
- On two-party terms, Labor leads with those who are experiencing a great deal of financial stress. This is largely driven by the large primary votes for The Greens and other parties and candidates, much of which flows back to Labor, rather than direct primary support. Coalition support is very low among voters aged 18-34 (with a lower primary vote than the Greens, and only a third of the two-party vote) and those who do not own their own home (37 per cent two-party preferred).
- Just 33 per cent of voters agree the Labor government is focused on the right priorities, with 53 per cent disagreeing. The same number agree the opposition is ready for government (although slightly fewer disagree, with a larger share undecided).
- Voters who say their financial situation causes them stress are less likely to agree that the government has the right priorities.
- Just 23 per cent of soft and undecided voters agree the government has the right priorities, slightly less than the 26 per cent who agree the opposition is ready for government.
- Cost of living dominates voter priorities, with 48 per cent ranking it as their top issue, and a total of 83 per cent listing it as one of their top three concerns facing Australia. This is followed by housing affordability, which is ranked number one by 10 per cent of voters, and is in the top three of 45 per cent.
- Cost of living was ranked highly by voters of all parties, and those in the inner and outer suburbs, as
  well as rural and regional areas. It was particularly important for voters who reported experiencing
  a great deal of financial stress, younger voters and those who did not own their own home or were
  paying off a mortgage.
- Australians have mixed views on immigration. A majority (70 per cent) agree Australian cities are
  already too crowded, and 44 and 41 per cent respectively agree that immigrants are a burden on
  our social welfare system and that they take jobs from other Australians. However, majorities agree
  that immigrants strengthen the country through their hard work and talents (59 per cent), that it has a
  positive impact on the economy (56 per cent) and immigration make Australia stronger (54 per cent).
- Overall, 8 per cent of voters believe immigration should be increased, 36 per cent kept at its current level and 46 per cent would like to see it decreased. Pluralities of Labor and Greens voters want immigration maintained at its current level, while a majority of Coalition voters would like to see it decreased. There were no groups for which a plurality wants immigration increased.
- More Australians believe it will take at least another 12 months for an interest rate cut to occur (41 per cent) than think it will happen in the next year (35 per cent).
- Related to this, just 9 per cent believe inflation will return to the 2-3 per cent range in the next 12 months, with 17 per cent believing this will happen in one to two years, 18 per cent in two to three years, and 28 per cent in three or more years (and another 28 per cent were not sure).



## Methodology

The fieldwork was conducted between 06 December and 11 December 2023, with the sample of N = 2,010 Australian citizens aged 18 and older who were enrolled to vote. All respondents were recruited over online panel to fill quotas based on age, gender, location (AEC region), education and vote at the 2022 federal election. Rim weighting was used to apply interlocking weights for age, gender, education and location. The efficiency for these were weights was 92 per cent, providing an effective sample size of 1847.

Based on this effective sample size, the margin of error (95 per cent confidence interval) for a 50 per cent result on the full sample is  $\pm 2.3$  per cent.

This is larger for subsets of the data, such as age or language spoken at home, and results based on these and similar breakdowns should be interpreted conservatively.

Vote intention questions were located immediately after demographic items and other questions used for screening and quotas. Preferences were allocated based on the flows from the 2022 federal election.

Undecided respondents were asked a leaner question. Those who refused to or were unable to provide a vote intention in both the initial question and leaner made up 9 per cent of the sample, and were excluded from published vote intention figures.

Detailed findings and question wording are contained in the following sections.



## **Vote intention**

#### **Question text**

If a federal election for the House of Representatives were held today, which of the following would you give your first vote to?

- 1. Labor Party
- 2. Liberal Party shown in divisions where Liberals ran a candidate in 2022
- 3. National Party shown in division where Nationals ran a candidate in 2022
- 4. Liberal-National Party shown in Old
- 5. Country Liberal Party shown in the NT
- 6 Greens
- 7. Other parties and candidates relevant options shown in divisions where they ran in 2022
- 8. Will note vote
- 9. Undecided

#### If answered 'Undecided' above

If you had to pick, which of these are you leaning towards?

- 1. Labor Party
- 2. Liberal Party shown in divisions where Liberals ran a candidate in 2022
- 3. National Party shown in division where Nationals ran a candidate in 2022
- 4. Liberal-National Party shown in Old
- 5. Country Liberal Party shown in the NT
- 6. Greens
- 7. Other parties and candidates shown in divisions where they ran in 2022
- 8. Will note vote
- 9. Undecided



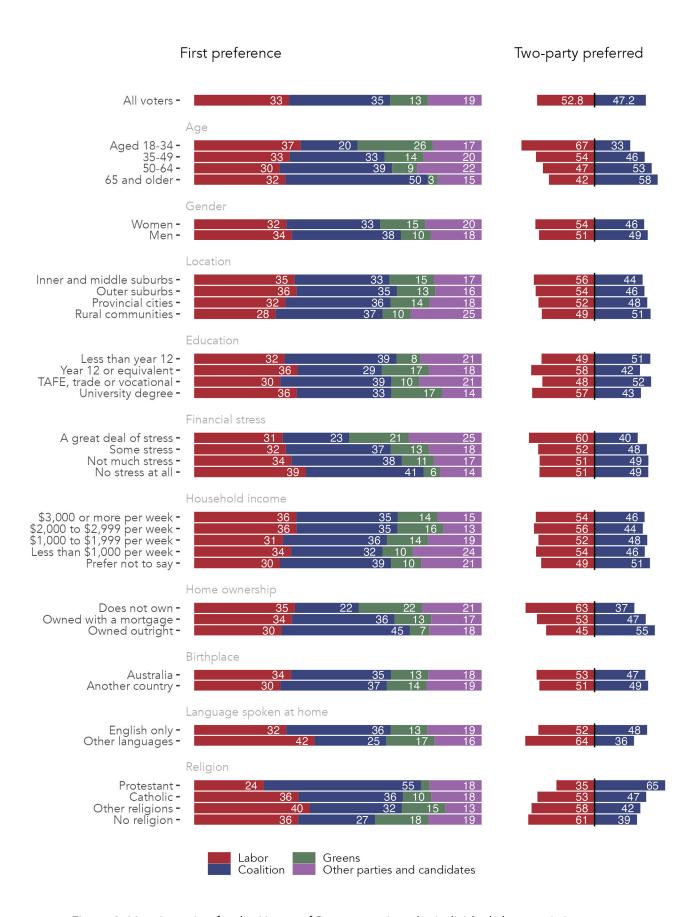


Figure 1: Vote intention for the House of Representatives, by individual characteristics.

Table 1: Vote intention for the House of Representatives

	Labor	Coalition	Greens	Other parties and candidates	LABOR 2PP
All voters	33	35	13	19	52.8
Age					
Aged 18-34	37	20	26	17	67.0
35-49	33	33	14	20	54.0
50-64	30	39	9	22	47.0
65 and older	32	50	3	15	42.0
Gender					
Women	32	33	15	20	54.0
Men	34	38	10	18	51.0
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	35	33	15	17	56.0
Outer suburbs	36	35	13	16	54.0
Provincial cities	32	36	14	18	52.0
Rural communities	28	37	10	25	49.0
Education					
Less than year 12	32	39	8	21	49.0
Year 12 or equivalent	36	29	17	18	58.0
TAFE, trade or vocational	30	39	10	21	48.0
University degree	36	33	17	14	57.0
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	31	23	21	25	60.0
Some stress	32	37	13	18	52.0
Not much stress	34	38	11	17	51.0
No stress at all	39	41	6	14	51.0
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	36	35	14	15	54.0
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	36	35	16	13	56.0
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	31	36	14	19	52.0
Less than \$1,000 per week	34	32	10	24	54.0
Prefer not to say	30	39	10	21	49.0
Home ownership					
Does not own	35	22	22	21	63.0
Owned with a mortgage	34	36	13	17	53.0
Owned outright	30	45	7	18	45.0
Birthplace					
Australia	34	35	13	18	53.0
Another country	30	37	14	19	51.0
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Language spoken at home English only	32	36	13	19	52.0
Other languages	32 42	36 25	13	16	52.0 64.0
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Religion Protestant	24	c c	2	10	25.0
		55	3	18	35.0
Catholic	36 40	36	10 1E	18	53.0
Other religions	40 36	32 27	15 18	13 19	58.0 61.0
No religion	30	۷/	10	19	01.0



# Is the Albanese government focused on the right priorities?



#### **Question text**

#### Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

The Albanese federal Labor government is focused on the right priorities.

Single select; random reverse 1-4

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Disagree
- 4. Strongly disagree
- 5. Not sure



#### The Albanese government is focused on the right priorities

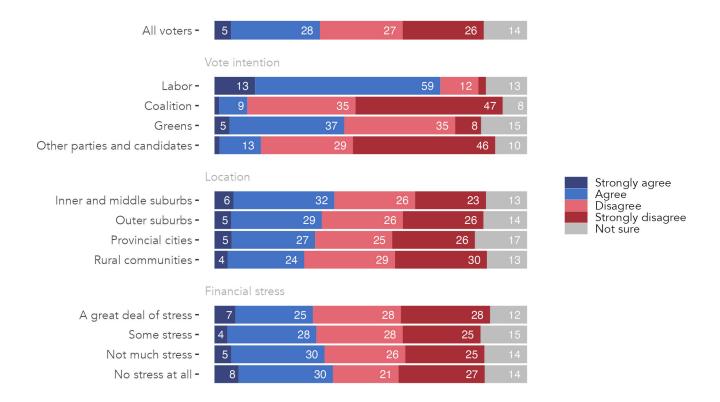


Figure 2: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Albanese government is focused on the right priorities, by vote intention and location.



 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{Table 2: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Albanese government is focused on the right priorities, by vote intention and location.}$ 

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	5	28	27	26	14
Vote intention					
Labor	13	59	12	3	13
Coalition	1	9	35	47	3
Greens	5	37	35	8	15
Other parties and candidates	2	13	29	46	10
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	6	32	26	23	13
Outer suburbs	5	29	26	26	14
Provincial cities	5	27	25	26	17
Rural communities	4	24	29	30	13
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	7	25	28	28	12
Some stress	4	28	28	25	15
Not much stress	5	30	26	25	14
No stress at all	8	30	21	27	14



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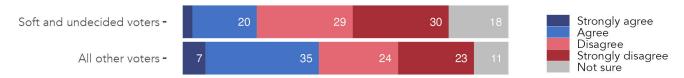


Figure 3: Share of soft and undecided voters, versus those more certain of their decision, who agree and disagree that the Albanese government is focused on the right priorities. Soft and undecided voters here are those who required a prompt to provide their vote intention, were still unable to select an option for whom they would vote when prompted with a leaner, or who had changed their vote choice since the last election.



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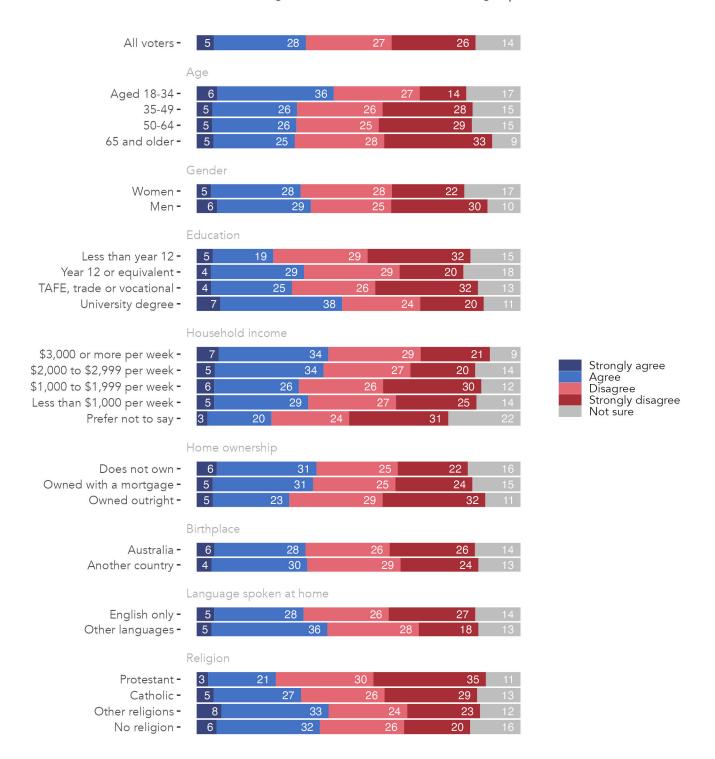


Figure 4: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Albanese government is focused on the right priorities, by individual characteristics.



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	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
Age					
Aged 18-34	6	36	27	14	17
35-49	5	26	26	28	15
50-64	5	26	25	29	15
65 and older	5	25	28	33	9
Gender					
Women	5	28	28	22	17
Men	6	29	25	30	10
Education					
Less than year 12	5	19	29	32	15
Year 12 or equivalent	4	29	29	20	18
TAFE, trade or vocational	4	25	26	32	13
University degree	7	38	24	20	11
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	7	34	29	21	
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	5	34	27	20	14
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	6	26	26	30	12
Less than \$1,000 per week	5	29	27	25	14
Prefer not to say	3	20	24	31	22
Home ownership					
Does not own	6	31	25	22	16
Owned with a mortgage	5	31	25	24	15
Owned outright	5	23	29	32	11
Birthplace					
Australia	6	28	26	26	14
Another country	4	30	29	24	13
Language spoken at home					
English only	5	28	26	27	14
Other languages	5	36	28	18	13
Religion					
Protestant	3	21	30	35	11
Catholic	5	27	26	29	13
Other religions	8	33	24	23	1:
No religion	6	32	26	20	1



# Is the Coalition ready for government?



#### **Question text**

#### Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

The federal Coalition opposition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government.

Single select; random reverse 1-4

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Disagree
- 4. Strongly disagree
- 5. Not sure



#### The Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government

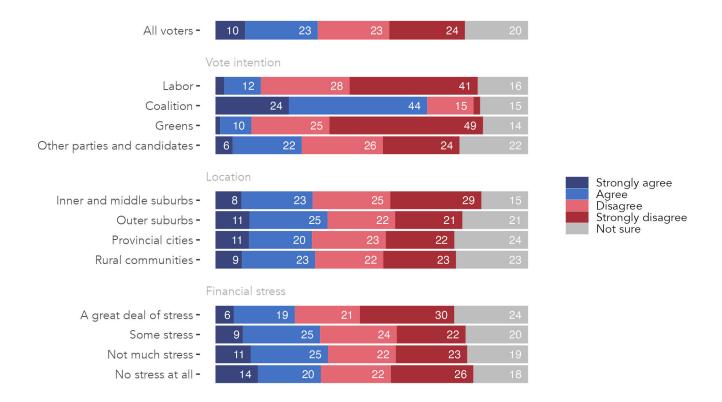


Figure 5: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government, by vote intention and location.



Table 4: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government, by vote intention and location.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	10	23	23	24	20
Vote intention					
Labor	3	12	28	41	16
Coalition	24	44	15	2	15
Greens	2	10	25	49	14
Other parties and candidates	6	22	26	24	22
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	8	23	25	29	15
Outer suburbs	11	25	22	21	21
Provincial cities	11	20	23	22	24
Rural communities	9	23	22	23	23
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	6	19	21	30	24
Some stress	9	25	24	22	20
Not much stress	11	25	22	23	19
No stress at all	14	20	22	26	18



#### The Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government

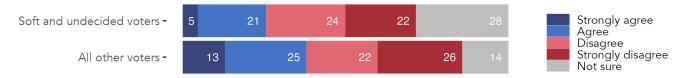


Figure 6: Share of soft and undecided voters, versus those more certain of their decision, who agree and disagree that the Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government. Soft and undecided voters here are those who required a prompt to provide their vote intention, were still unable to select an option for whom they would vote when prompted with a leaner, or who had changed their vote choice since the last election.



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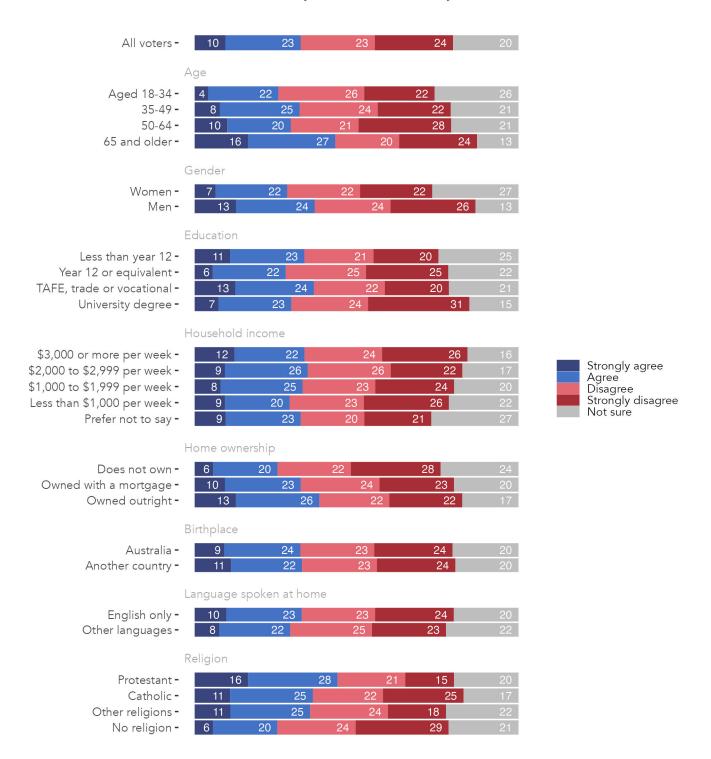


Figure 7: Share of voters who agree and disagree that the Coalition led by Peter Dutton is ready for Government, by individual characteristics.



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	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	10	23	23	24	20
Age					
Aged 18-34	4	22	26	22	26
35-49	8	25	24	22	21
50-64	10	20	21	28	21
65 and older	16	27	20	24	13
Gender					
Women	7	22	22	22	27
Men	13	24	24	26	13
Education					
Less than year 12	11	23	21	20	25
Year 12 or equivalent	6	22	25	25	22
TAFE, trade or vocational	13	24	22	20	21
University degree	7	23	24	31	15
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	12	22	24	26	16
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	9	26	26	22	17
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	8	25	23	24	20
Less than \$1,000 per week	9	20	23	26	22
Prefer not to say	9	23	20	21	27
Home ownership					
Does not own	6	20	22	28	24
Owned with a mortgage	10	23	24	23	20
Owned outright	13	26	22	22	17
Birthplace					
Australia	9	24	23	24	20
Another country	11	22	23	24	20
Language spoken at home					
English only	10	23	23	24	20
Other languages	8	22	25	23	22
Religion					
Protestant	16	28	21	15	20
Catholic	11	25	22	25	17
Other religions	11	25	24	18	22
No religion	6	20	24	29	21



# **Most important issues**



#### **Question text**

#### Right now, what are the top 3 most important issues currently facing Australia?

Where the most important issue is ranked 1, the second most important 2, and the third most important 3, and so on.

#### Ranking; randomise 1-11

- 1. Climate change
- 2. Cost of living
- 3. Housing affordability
- 4. Public transport
- 5. Healthcare
- 6. Roads and traffic
- 7. Crime
- 8. The economy
- 9. Immigration
- 10. Interest rates
- 11. Education
- 12. Something else (please specify) Fixed; free text response



#### Top 3 issues facing Australia

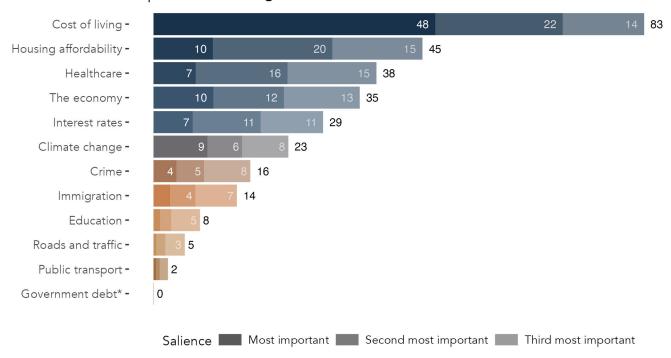


Figure 8: The three most important issues currently facing Australia. Numbers in black at the end of each row indicate the total share of voters ranking the option as one of the three most important issues. \*Government debt was not listed as an option, but was offered by a few respondents as an unprompted answer.



### **Cost of living**

Share ranking 'cost of living' as one of the three most important issues currently facing Australia

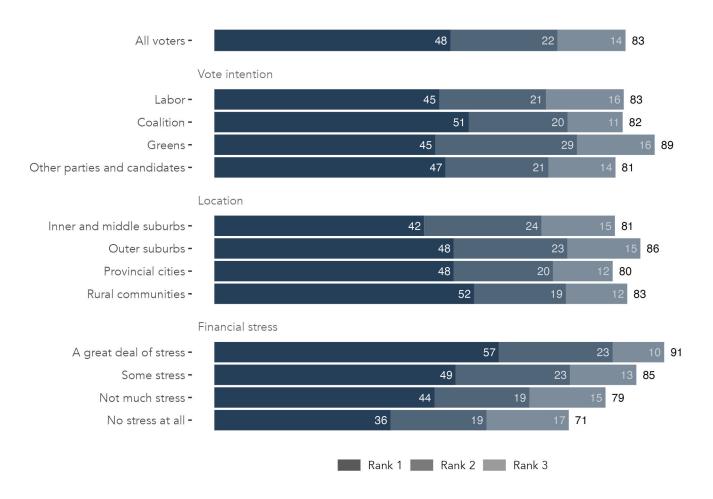


Figure 9: Share ranking 'cost of living' as one of the three most important issues currently facing Australia, by vote intention, location and financial stress. Numbers in black at the end of each row indicate the total share of voters ranking the option as one of their top three most important issues.



Table 6: Share ranking 'cost of living' as one of the three most important issues currently facing Victorian, by State vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Total
All voters	48	22	14	83
Vote intention				
Labor	45	21	16	83
Coalition	51	20	11	82
Greens	45	29	16	89
Other parties and candidates	47	21	14	81
Location				
Inner and middle suburbs	42	24	15	81
Outer suburbs	48	23	15	86
Provincial cities	48	20	12	80
Rural communities	52	19	12	83
Financial stress				
A great deal of stress	57	23	10	91
Some stress	49	23	13	85
Not much stress	44	19	15	79
No stress at all	36	19	17	71



Table 7: Share ranking 'cost of living' as one of the three most important issues currently facing Australia, by individual characteristics.

	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Total
All voters	48	22	14	83
Age				
Aged 18-34	51	26	12	89
35-49	54	20	15	89
50-64	48	20	12	81
65 and older	37	20	16	73
Gender				
Women	48	22	14	84
Men	47	21	14	82
Education				
Less than year 12	49	17	13	79
Year 12 or equivalent	49	23	13	84
TAFE, trade or vocational	51	21	14	86
University degree	42	23	15	80
Household income				
\$3,000 or more per week	46	20	16	82
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	46	24	16	86
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	50	24	9	84
Less than \$1,000 per week	47	18	15	81
Prefer not to say	46	20	15	81
Home ownership				
Does not own	53	24	13	89
Owned with a mortgage	51	23	14	87
Owned outright	40	19	15	73
Birthplace				
Australia	49	21	14	84
Another country	43	23	14	80
Language spoken at home				
English only	47	22	14	83
Other languages	54	21	10	85
Religion				
Protestant	43	22	13	79
Catholic	46	20	12	78
Other religions	57	19	11	87
No religion	49	22	15	86



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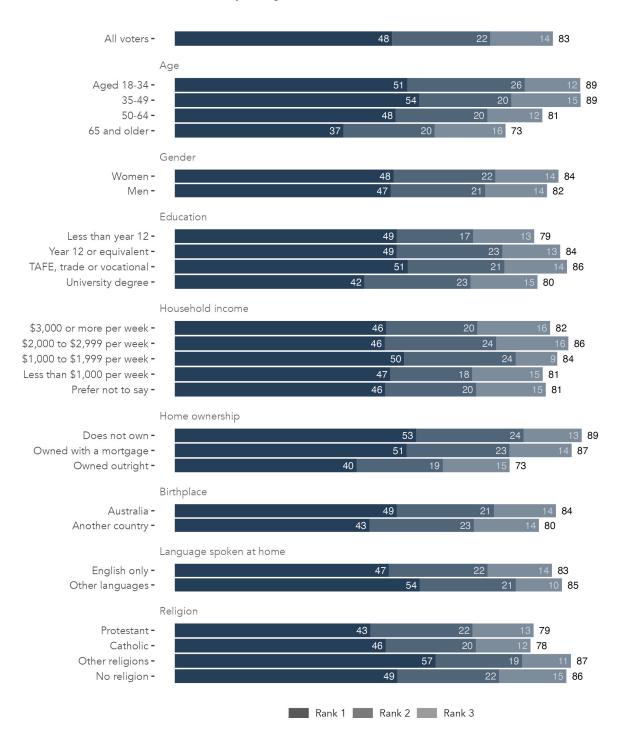


Figure 10: Share ranking 'cost of living' as one of the three most important issues currently facing Victoria, by individual characteristics. Numbers in black at the end of each row indicate the total share of Victorians ranking the option as one of their top three most important issues.



# **Attitudes towards immigration**

#### Now thinking about immigration to Australia.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

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Statements; randomised

- A. Australian cities are already too crowded
- B. Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia
- C. Immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents
- D. Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger
- E. Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system
- F. Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians

#### Single select; random reverse 1-4

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Disagree
- 4. Strongly disagree
- 5. Not sure



#### Attitudes towards immigration

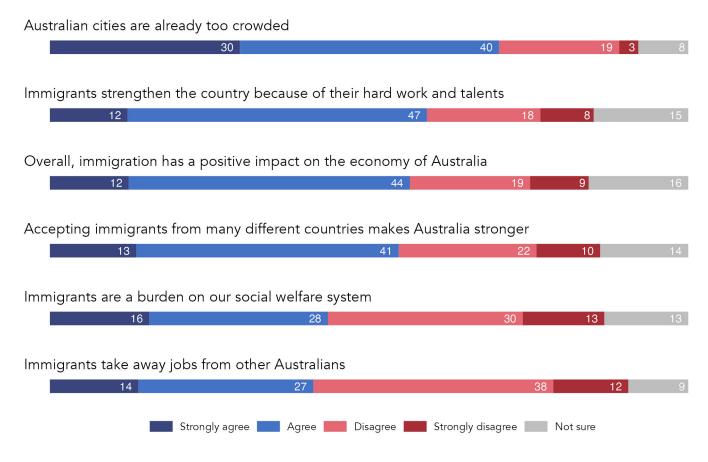


Figure 11: Share of voters who agree and disagree with each statement about immigration.



# Australian cities are already too crowded



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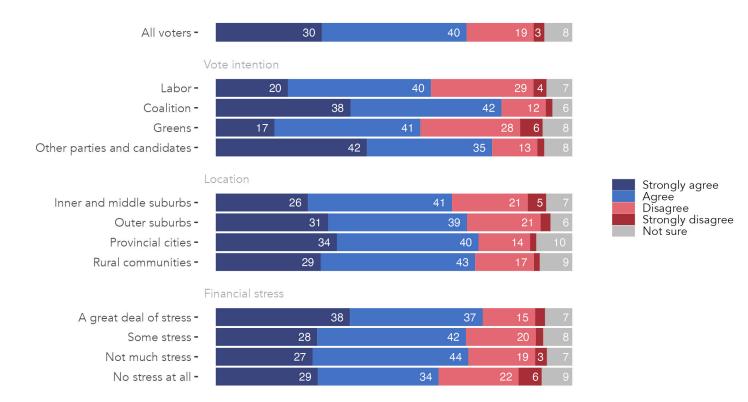


Figure 12: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Australian cities are already too crowded, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 8: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Australian cities are already too crowded, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	30	40	19	3	8
Vote intention					
Labor	20	40	29	4	7
Coalition	38	42	12	2	6
Greens	17	41	28	6	8
Other parties and candidates	42	35	13	2	8
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	26	41	21	5	7
Outer suburbs	31	39	21	3	6
Provincial cities	34	40	14	2	10
Rural communities	29	43	17	2	9
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	38	37	15	3	7
Some stress	28	42	20	2	8
Not much stress	27	44	19	3	7
No stress at all	29	34	22	6	9



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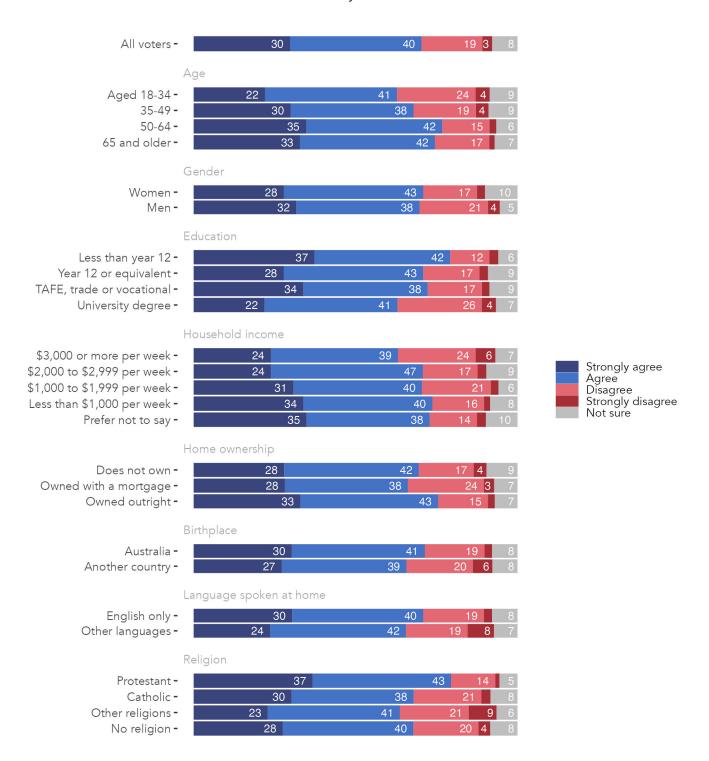


Figure 13: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Australian cities are already too crowded, by individual characteristics.



Table 9: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Australian cities are already too crowded, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	30	40	19	3	8
Age					
Aged 18-34	22	41	24	4	9
35-49	30	38	19	4	9
50-64	35	42	15	2	6
65 and older	33	42	17	1	7
Gender					
Women	28	43	17	2	10
Men	32	38	21	4	5
Education					
Less than year 12	37	42	12	3	6
Year 12 or equivalent	28	43	17	3	9
TAFE, trade or vocational	34	38	17	2	9
University degree	22	41	26	4	7
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	24	39	24	6	7
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	24	47	17	3	9
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	31	40	21	2	6
Less than \$1,000 per week	34	40	16	2	8
Prefer not to say	35	38	14	3	10
Home ownership					
Does not own	28	42	17	4	9
Owned with a mortgage	28	38	24	3	7
Owned outright	33	43	15	2	7
Birthplace					
Australia	30	41	19	2	8
Another country	27	39	20	6	8
Language spoken at home					
English only	30	40	19	3	8
Other languages	24	42	19	8	7
Religion				2	•
Protestant	37	43	14	1	5
Catholic	30	38	21	3	8
Other religions	23	41	21	9	6
No religion	28	40	20	4	8



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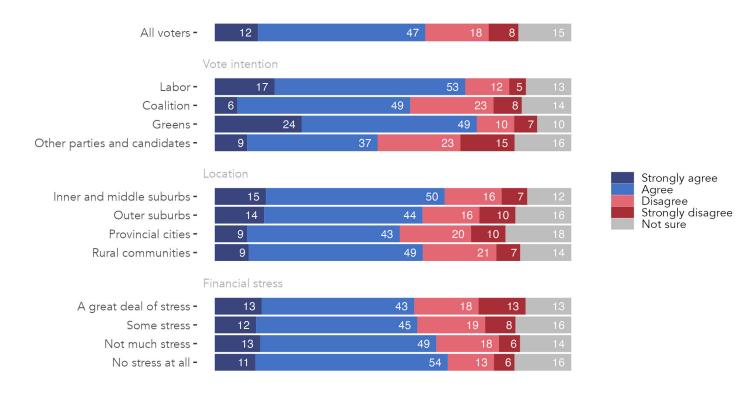


Figure 14: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 10: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	12	47	18	8	15
Vote intention					
Labor	17	53	12	5	13
Coalition	6	49	23	8	14
Greens	24	49	10	7	10
Other parties and candidates	9	37	23	15	16
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	15	50	16	7	12
Outer suburbs	14	44	16	10	16
Provincial cities	9	43	20	10	18
Rural communities	9	49	21	7	14
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	13	43	18	13	13
Some stress	12	45	19	8	16
Not much stress	13	49	18	6	14
No stress at all	11	54	13	6	16



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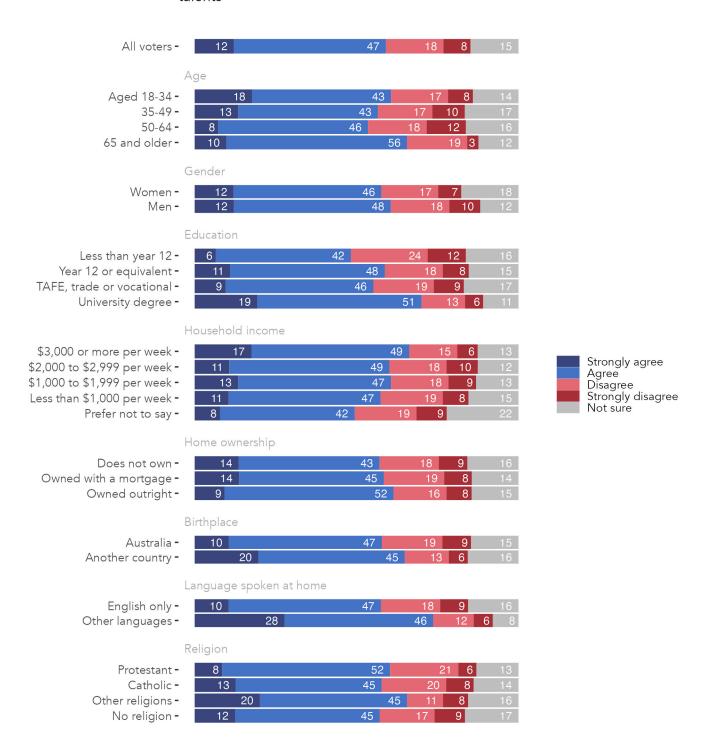


Figure 15: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents, by individual characteristics.



Table 11: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants strengthen the country because of their hard work and talents, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	12	47	18	8	15
Age					
Aged 18-34	18	43	17	8	14
35-49	13	43	17	10	17
50-64	8	46	18	12	16
65 and older	10	56	19	3	12
Gender					
Women	12	46	17	7	18
Men	12	48	18	10	12
Education					
Less than year 12	6	42	24	12	16
Year 12 or equivalent	11	48	18	8	15
TAFE, trade or vocational	9	46	19	9	17
University degree	19	51	13	6	11
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	17	49	15	6	13
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	11	49	18	10	12
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	13	47	18	9	13
Less than \$1,000 per week	11	47	19	8	15
Prefer not to say	8	42	19	9	22
Home ownership					
Does not own	14	43	18	9	16
Owned with a mortgage	14	45	19	8	14
Owned outright	9	52	16	8	15
Birthplace					
Australia	10	47	19	9	15
Another country	20	45	13	6	16
Language spoken at home					
English only	10	47	18	9	16
Other languages	28	46	12	6	8
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Religion	8	52	21	4	13
Protestant Catholic	8 13	52 45	20	6	14
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Other religions	20 12	45 45	11 17	8 9	16 17
No religion	12	45	17	9	17



Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia



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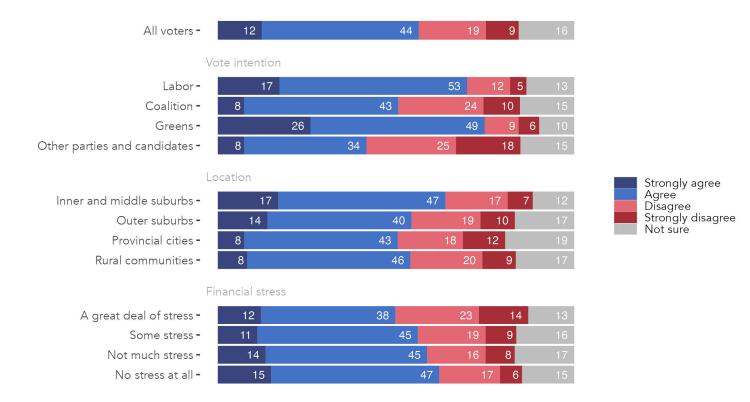


Figure 16: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 12: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	12	44	19	9	16
Vote intention					
Labor	17	53	12	5	13
Coalition	8	43	24	10	15
Greens	26	49	9	6	10
Other parties and candidates	8	34	25	18	15
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	17	47	17	7	12
Outer suburbs	14	40	19	10	17
Provincial cities	8	43	18	12	19
Rural communities	8	46	20	9	17
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	12	38	23	14	13
Some stress	11	45	19	9	16
Not much stress	14	45	16	8	17
No stress at all	15	47	17	6	15



#### Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia

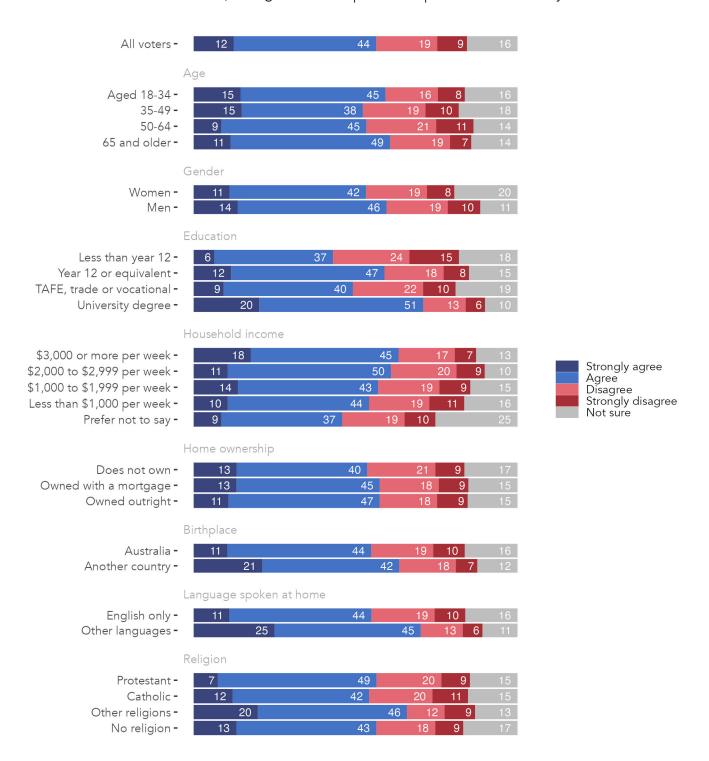


Figure 17: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia, by individual characteristics.



Table 13: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Overall, immigration has a positive impact on the economy of Australia, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	12	44	19	9	16
Age					
Aged 18-34	15	45	16	8	16
35-49	15	38	19	10	18
50-64	9	45	21	11	14
65 and older	11	49	19	7	14
Gender					
Women	11	42	19	8	20
Men	14	46	19	10	11
Education					
Less than year 12	6	37	24	15	18
Year 12 or equivalent	12	47	18	8	15
TAFE, trade or vocational	9	40	22	10	19
University degree	20	51	13	6	10
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	18	45	17	7	13
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	11	50	20	9	10
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	14	43	19	9	15
Less than \$1,000 per week	10	44	19	11	16
Prefer not to say	9	37	19	10	25
Home ownership					
Does not own	13	40	21	9	17
Owned with a mortgage	13	45	18	9	15
Owned outright	11	47	18	9	15
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<b>Birthplace</b> Australia	11	44	19	10	16
Another country	21	42	18	7	12
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Language spoken at home	4.4	4.4	10	40	4.6
English only	11	44	19	10	16
Other languages	25	45	13	6	11
Religion					
Protestant	7	49	20	9	15
Catholic	12	42	20	11	15
Other religions	20	46	12	9	13
No religion	13	43	18	9	17



Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger



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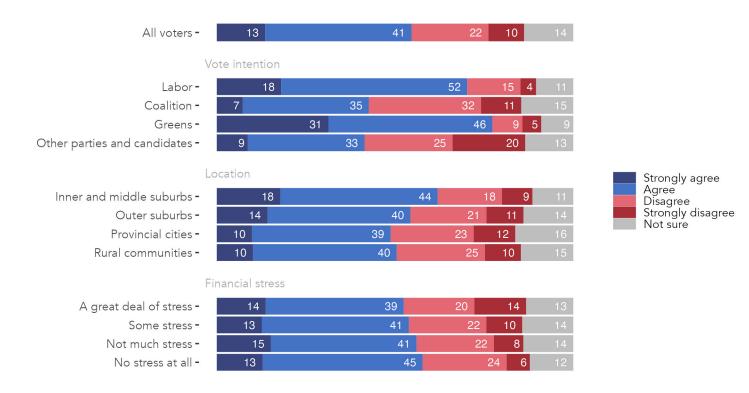


Figure 18: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 14: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	13	41	22	10	14
Vote intention					
Labor	18	52	15	4	11
Coalition	7	35	32	11	15
Greens	31	46	9	5	9
Other parties and candidates	9	33	25	20	13
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	18	44	18	9	11
Outer suburbs	14	40	21	11	14
Provincial cities	10	39	23	12	16
Rural communities	10	40	25	10	15
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	14	39	20	14	13
Some stress	13	41	22	10	14
Not much stress	15	41	22	8	14
No stress at all	13	45	24	6	12



## Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger

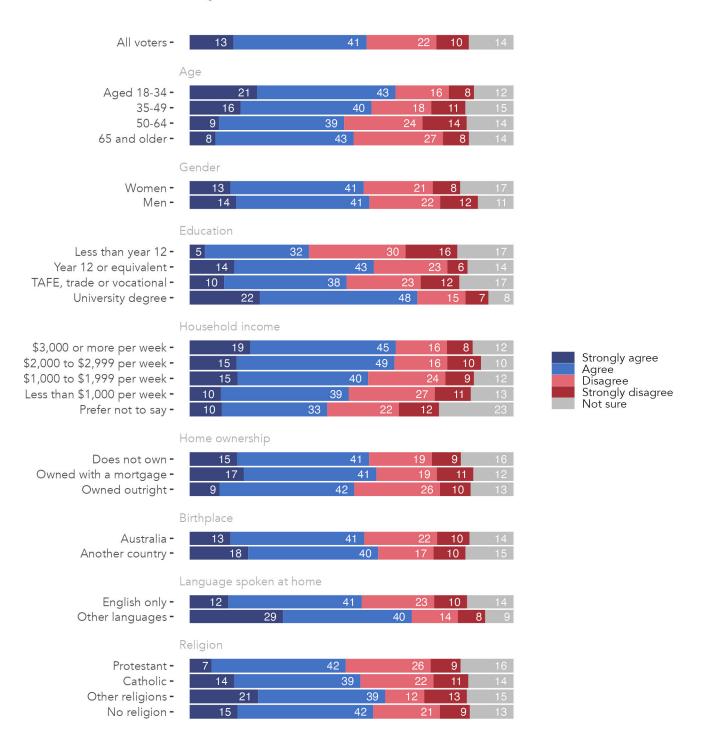


Figure 19: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger, by individual characteristics.



Table 15: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Accepting immigrants from many different countries makes Australia stronger, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	13	41	22	10	14
Age					
Aged 18-34	21	43	16	8	12
35-49	16	40	18	11	15
50-64	9	39	24	14	14
65 and older	8	43	27	8	14
Gender					
Women	13	41	21	8	17
Men	14	41	22	12	11
Education					
Less than year 12	5	32	30	16	17
Year 12 or equivalent	14	43	23	6	14
TAFE, trade or vocational	10	38	23	12	17
University degree	22	48	15	7	8
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	19	45	16	8	12
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	15	49	16	10	10
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	15	40	24	9	12
Less than \$1,000 per week	10	39	27	11	13
Prefer not to say	10	33	22	12	23
Home ownership					
Does not own	15	41	19	9	16
Owned with a mortgage	17	41	19	11	12
Owned outright	9	42	26	10	13
Birthplace					
Australia	13	41	22	10	14
Another country	18	40	17	10	15
Language spoken at home					
English only	12	41	23	10	14
Other languages	29	40	14	8	9
Religion					
Protestant	7	42	26	9	16
Catholic	14	39	22	11	14
Other religions	21	39	12	13	15
No religion	15	42	21	9	13



Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system



### Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system

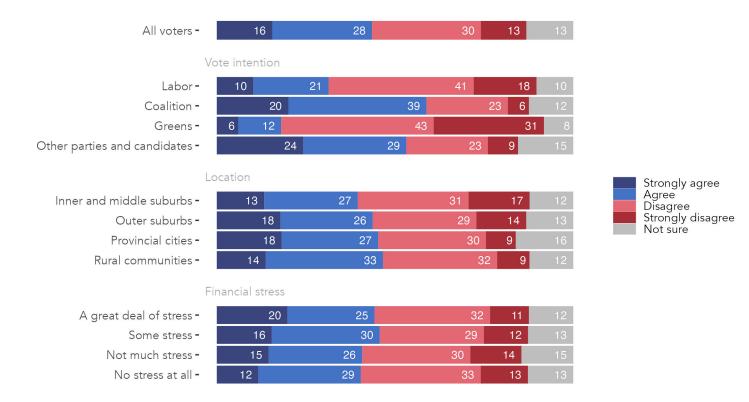


Figure 20: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 16: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	16	28	30	13	13
Vote intention					
Labor	10	21	41	18	10
Coalition	20	39	23	6	12
Greens	6	12	43	31	8
Other parties and candidates	24	29	23	9	15
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	13	27	31	17	12
Outer suburbs	18	26	29	14	13
Provincial cities	18	27	30	9	16
Rural communities	14	33	32	9	12
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	20	25	32	11	12
Some stress	16	30	29	12	13
Not much stress	15	26	30	14	15
No stress at all	12	29	33	13	13



### Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system

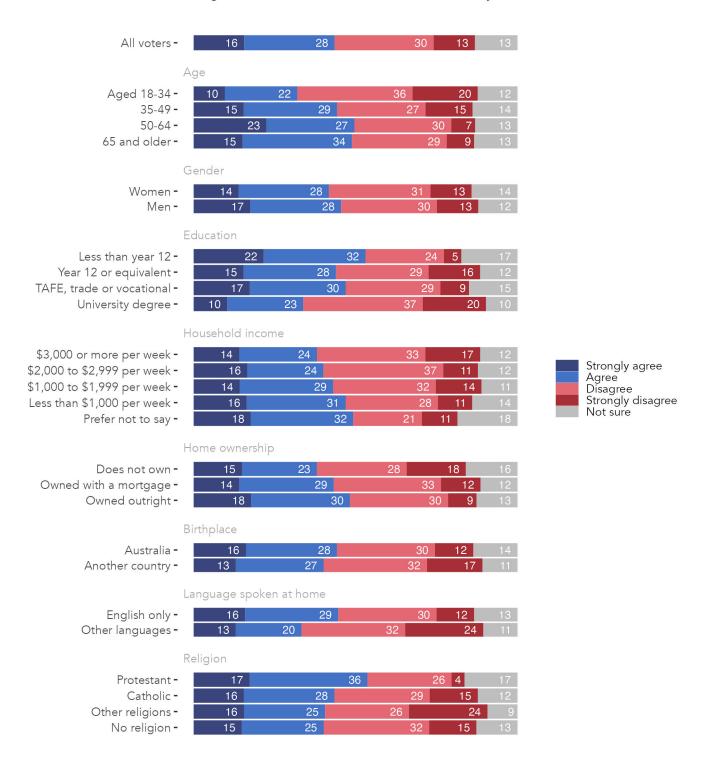


Figure 21: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system, by individual characteristics.



Table 17: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants are a burden on our social welfare system, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	16	28	30	13	13
Age					
Aged 18-34	10	22	36	20	12
35-49	15	29	27	15	14
50-64	23	27	30	7	13
65 and older	15	34	29	9	13
Gender					
Women	14	28	31	13	14
Men	17	28	30	13	12
Education					
Less than year 12	22	32	24	5	17
Year 12 or equivalent	15	28	29	16	12
TAFE, trade or vocational	17	30	29	9	15
University degree	10	23	37	20	10
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	14	24	33	17	12
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	16	24	37	11	12
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	14	29	32	14	11
Less than \$1,000 per week	16	31	28	11	14
Prefer not to say	18	32	21	11	18
Home ownership					
Does not own	15	23	28	18	16
Owned with a mortgage	14	29	33	12	12
Owned outright	18	30	30	9	13
Birthplace					
• Australia	16	28	30	12	14
Another country	13	27	32	17	11
Language spoken at home					
English only	16	29	30	12	13
Other languages	13	20	32	24	11
Religion					
Protestant	17	36	26	4	17
Catholic	16	28	29	15	12
Other religions	16	25	26	24	9
No religion	15	25	32	15	13



### Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians



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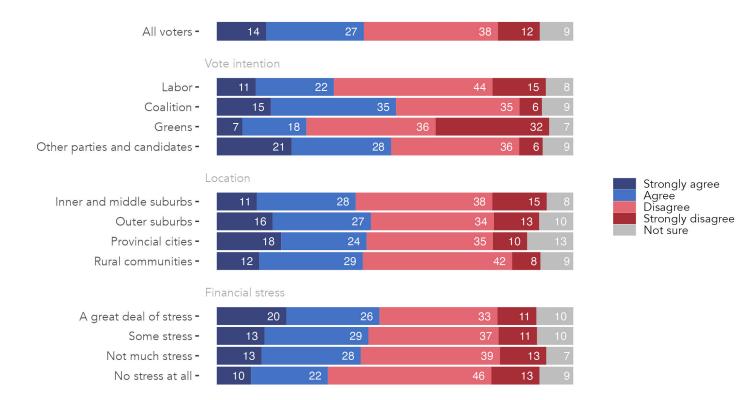


Figure 22: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 18: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	14	27	38	12	9
Vote intention					
Labor	11	22	44	15	8
Coalition	15	35	35	6	9
Greens	7	18	36	32	7
Other parties and candidates	21	28	36	6	9
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	11	28	38	15	8
Outer suburbs	16	27	34	13	10
Provincial cities	18	24	35	10	13
Rural communities	12	29	42	8	9
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	20	26	33	11	10
Some stress	13	29	37	11	10
Not much stress	13	28	39	13	7
No stress at all	10	22	46	13	9



### Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians

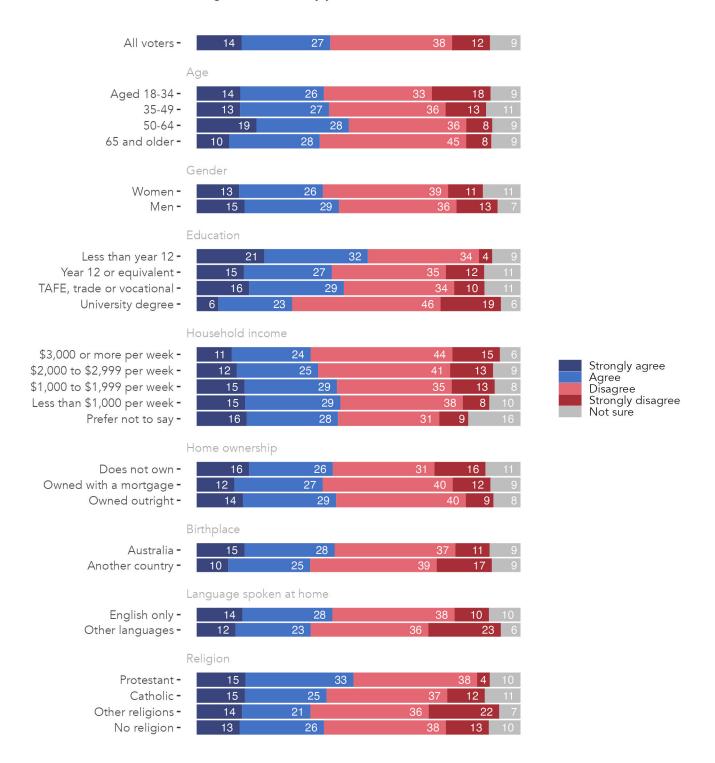


Figure 23: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians, by individual characteristics.



Table 19: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement Immigrants take away jobs from other Australians, by individual characteristics.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not sure
All voters	14	27	38	12	9
Age					
Aged 18-34	14	26	33	18	9
35-49	13	27	36	13	11
50-64	19	28	36	8	9
65 and older	10	28	45	8	9
Gender					
Women	13	26	39	11	11
Men	15	29	36	13	7
Education					
Less than year 12	21	32	34	4	9
Year 12 or equivalent	15	27	35	12	11
TAFE, trade or vocational	16	29	34	10	11
University degree	6	23	46	19	6
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	11	24	44	15	6
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	12	25	41	13	9
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	15	29	35	13	8
Less than \$1,000 per week	15	29	38	8	10
Prefer not to say	16	28	31	9	16
Home ownership					
Does not own	16	26	31	16	11
Owned with a mortgage	12	27	40	12	9
Owned outright	14	29	40	9	8
Birthplace					
Australia	15	28	37	11	9
Another country	10	25	39	17	9
Language spoken at home					
English only	14	28	38	10	10
Other languages	12	23	36	23	6
Religion					
Protestant	15	33	38	4	10
Catholic	15	25	37	12	11
Other religions	14	21	36	22	7
No religion	13	26	38	13	10



## Should immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased?



#### **Question text**

Still thinking now about immigration to Australia.

In your view, should immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased?

Single select; reverse 1-3

- 1. Increased
- 2. Kept at its present level
- 3. Decreased
- 4. Not sure



## Should immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased

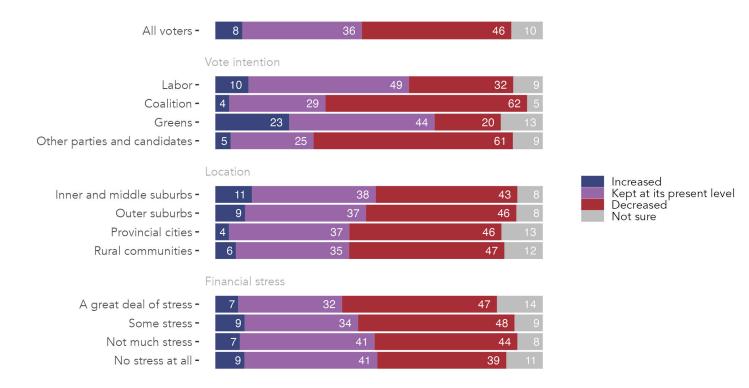


Figure 24: Share of voters who believe immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 20: Share of voters who believe immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	Increased	Kept at its present level	Decreased	Not sure
All voters	8	36	46	10
Vote intention				
Labor	10	49	32	9
Coalition	4	29	62	5
Greens	23	44	20	13
Other parties and candidates	5	25	61	9
Location				
Inner and middle suburbs	11	38	43	8
Outer suburbs	9	37	46	8
Provincial cities	4	37	46	13
Rural communities	6	35	47	12
Financial stress				
A great deal of stress	7	32	47	14
Some stress	9	34	48	9
Not much stress	7	41	44	8
No stress at all	9	41	39	11



### Should immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased

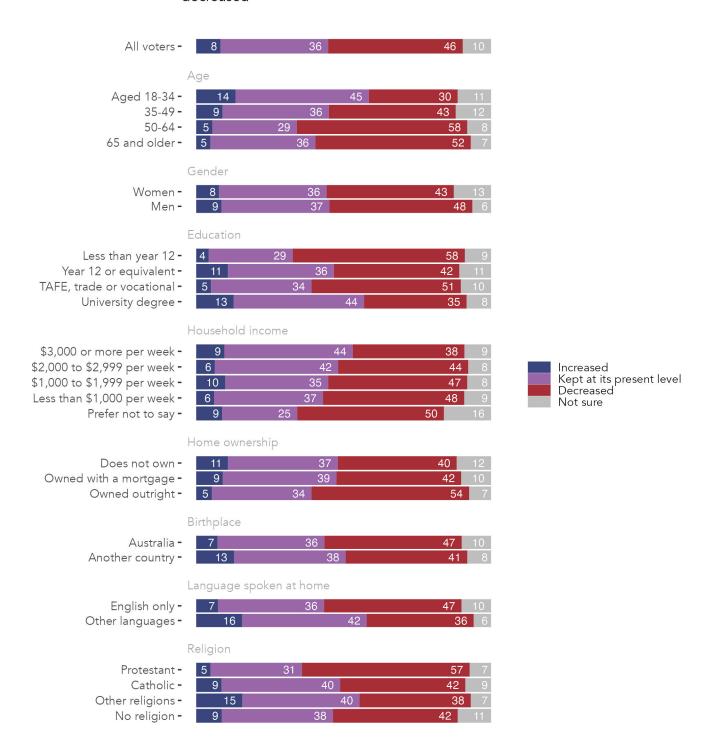


Figure 25: Share of voters who believe immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased, by individual characteristics.



Table 21: Share of voters who believe immigration be kept at its present level, increased or decreased, individual characteristics.

	Increased	Kept at its present level	Decreased	Not sure
All voters	8	36	46	10
Age				
Aged 18-34	14	45	30	11
35-49	9	36	43	12
50-64 65 and older	5 5	29 36	58 52	8 7
Gender	J	30	32	,
Women	8	36	43	13
Men	9	37	48	6
Education	,	0,	10	· ·
Less than year 12	4	29	58	9
Year 12 or equivalent	11	36	42	11
TAFE, trade or vocational	5	34	51	10
University degree	13	44	35	8
Household income				
\$3,000 or more per week	9	44	38	9
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	6	42	44	8
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	10	35	47	8
Less than \$1,000 per week	6	37	48	9
Prefer not to say	9	25	50	16
Home ownership				
Does not own	11	37	40	12
Owned with a mortgage	9	39	42	10
Owned outright	5	34	54	7
Birthplace				
Australia	7	36	47	10
Another country	13	38	41	8
Language spoken at home				
English only	7	36	47	10
Other languages	16	42	36	6
Religion				
Protestant	5	31	57	7
Catholic	9	40	42	9
Other religions	15	40	38	7
No religion	9	38	42	11



# When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur?



### **Question text**

When do you expect an interest rate cut to occur?

Single select; reverse 1-4

- 1. In the next six months
- 2. In 6 to 12 months
- 3. In 12 to 18 months
- 4. In more than 18 months
- 5. Not sure



### When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur

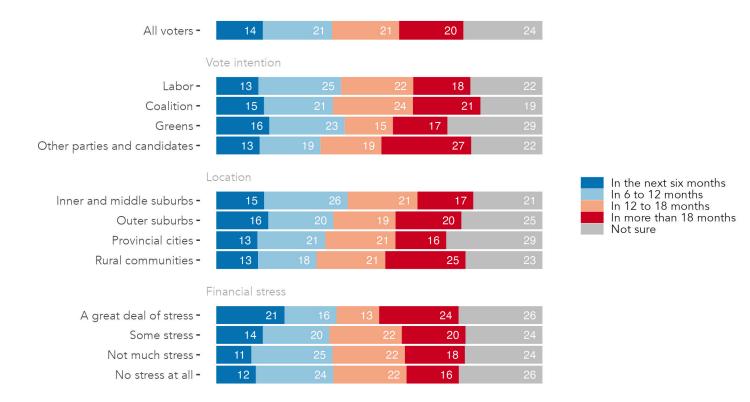


Figure 26: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 22: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	In the next six months	In 6 to 12 months	In 12 to 18 months	In more than 18 months	Not sure
All voters	14	21	21	20	24
Vote intention					
Labor	13	25	22	18	22
Coalition	15	21	24	21	19
Greens	16	23	15	17	29
Other parties and candidates	13	19	19	27	22
Location					
Inner and middle suburbs	15	26	21	17	21
Outer suburbs	16	20	19	20	25
Provincial cities	13	21	21	16	29
Rural communities	13	18	21	25	23
Financial stress					
A great deal of stress	21	16	13	24	26
Some stress	14	20	22	20	24
Not much stress	11	25	22	18	24
No stress at all	12	24	22	16	26



### When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur

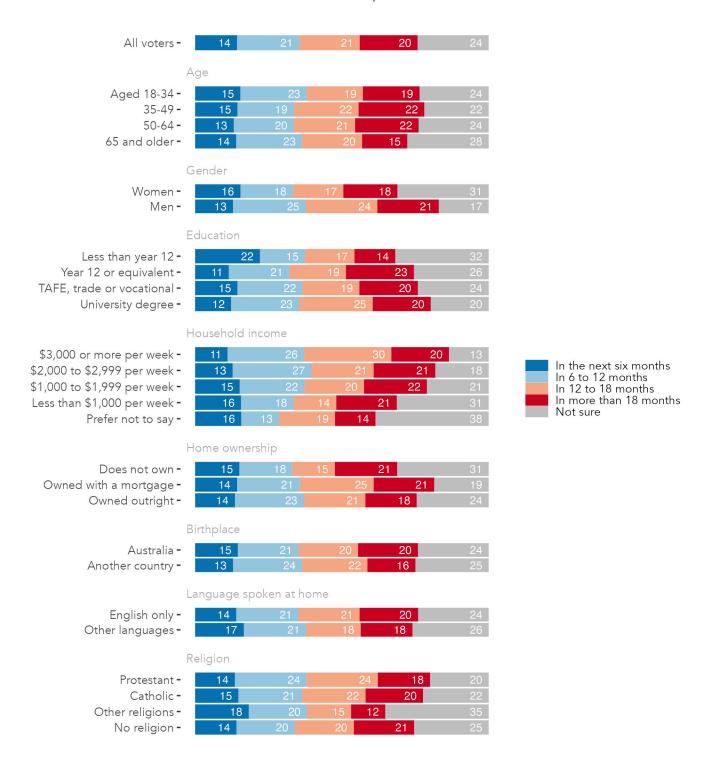


Figure 27: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur, by individual characteristics.



Table 23: When do Australian voters expect an interest rate cut to occur, by individual characteristics.

	In the next six months	In 6 to 12 months	In 12 to 18 months	In more than 18 months	Not sure
All voters	14	21	21	20	24
Age					
Aged 18-34	15	23	19	19	24
35-49	15	19	22	22	22
50-64	13	20	21	22	24
65 and older	14	23	20	15	28
Gender					
Women	16	18	17	18	31
Men	13	25	24	21	17
Education					
Less than year 12	22	15	17	14	32
Year 12 or equivalent	11	21	19	23	26
TAFE, trade or vocational	15	22	19	20	24
University degree	12	23	25	20	20
Household income					
\$3,000 or more per week	11	26	30	20	13
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	13	27	21	21	18
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	15	22	20	22	21
Less than \$1,000 per week	16	18	14	21	31
Prefer not to say	16	13	19	14	38
Home ownership					
Does not own	15	18	15	21	31
Owned with a mortgage	14	21	25	21	19
Owned outright	14	23	21	18	24
Birthplace					
Australia	15	21	20	20	24
Another country	13	24	22	16	25
Language spoken at home					
English only	14	21	21	20	24
Other languages	17	21	18	18	26
Religion					
Protestant	14	24	24	18	20
Catholic	15	21	22	20	22
Other religions	18	20	15	12	35
No religion	14	20	20	21	25



## When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent?



#### **Question text**

Inflation is an increase in the prices of the goods and services.

When do you expect annual inflation rates to return to approximately 2% to 3%?

Single select; reverse 1-6

- 1. In the next 12 months
- 2. In one to two years
- 3. In two to three years
- 4. In three to four years
- 5. In four to five years
- 6. In more than five years
- 7. Not sure



When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent

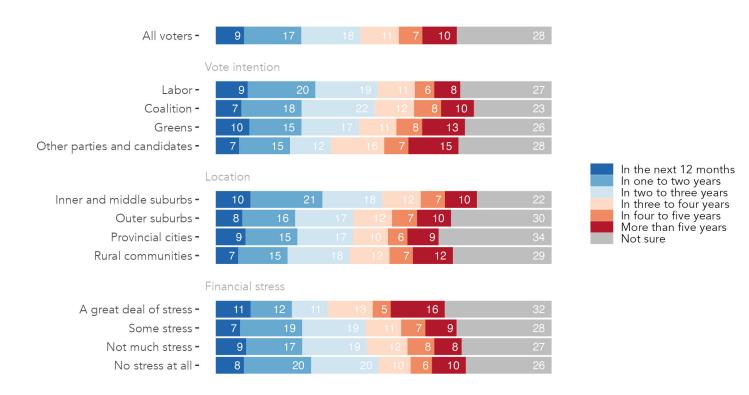


Figure 28: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent, by vote intention, location and financial stress.



Table 24: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent, by vote intention, location and financial stress.

	In the next 12 months	In one to two years	In two to three years	In three to four years	In four to five years	More than five years	Not sure
All voters	9	17	18	11	7	10	28
Vote intention							
Labor	9	20	19	11	6	8	27
Coalition	7	18	22	12	8	10	23
Greens	10	15	17	11	8	13	26
Other parties and candidates	7	15	12	16	7	15	28
Location							
Inner and middle suburbs	10	21	18	12	7	10	22
Outer suburbs	8	16	17	12	7	10	30
Provincial cities	9	15	17	10	6	9	34
Rural communities	7	15	18	12	7	12	29
Financial stress							
A great deal of stress	11	12	11	13	5	16	32
Some stress	7	19	19	11	7	9	28
Not much stress	9	17	19	12	8	8	27
No stress at all	8	20	20	10	6	10	26



## When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent

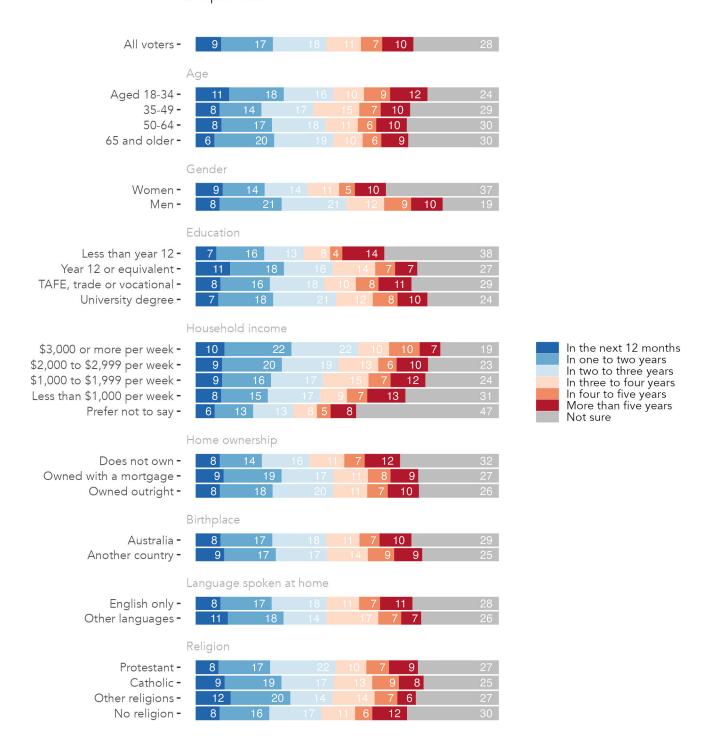


Figure 29: Share of voters who agree and disagree with the statement When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent, by individual characteristics.



Table 25: When do Australian voters expect annual inflation rates to return to 2 to 3 per cent, by individual characteristics.

	In the next 12 months	In one to two years	In two to three years	In three to four years	In four to five years	More than five years	Not sure
All voters	9	17	18	11	7	10	28
Age							
Aged 18-34	11	18	16	10	9	12	24
35-49	8	14	17	15	7	10	29
50-64	8	17	18	11	6	10	30
65 and older	6	20	19	10	6	9	30
Bender Bender							
Women	9	14	14	11	5	10	37
Men	8	21	21	12	9	10	19
ducation							
Less than year 12	7	16	13	8	4	14	38
Year 12 or equivalent	11	18	16	14	7	7	27
TAFE, trade or vocational	8	16	18	10	8	11	29
University degree	7	18	21	12	8	10	24
lousehold income							
\$3,000 or more per week	10	22	22	10	10	7	19
\$2,000 to \$2,999 per week	9	20	19	13	6	10	23
\$1,000 to \$1,999 per week	9	16	17	15	7	12	24
Less than \$1,000 per week	8	15	17	9	7	13	31
Prefer not to say	6	13	13	8	5	8	47
lome ownership							
Does not own	8	14	16	11	7	12	32
Owned with a mortgage	9	19	17	11	8	9	27
Owned outright	8	18	20	11	7	10	26
Birthplace							
Australia	8	17	18	11	7	10	29
Another country	9	17	17	14	9	9	25
anguage spoken at home							
English only	8	17	18	11	7	11	28
Other languages	11	18	14	17	7	7	26
Religion							
Protestant	8	17	22	10	7	9	27
Catholic	9	19	17	13	9	8	25
Other religions	12	20	14	14	7	6	27
No religion	8	16	17	11	6	12	30



