



Public Polling Methodology Statement: Australian Cooperative Election Survey 2022

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Short Methodology Statement	
Research company	YouGov Galaxy Pty Ltd
Client commissioning the research	Australian National University, Macquarie University, University of Auckland, University of Melbourne, University of Sydney
End client	Australian National University, Macquarie University, University of Auckland, University of Melbourne, University of Sydney
Fieldwork dates	2 – 18 May 2022
Mode of data collection	Online recruited from research panel (100%)
Target population	Australians who are eligible to vote
Sample size	5,988
Australian Polling Council compliant	Yes
URL of Long Methodology statement	https://au.yougov.com/results/apc
Is voting intention published?	Yes

Long Methodology Statement	
Effective sample size after weighting applied	4,008
Margin of error associated with effective sample size	±1.55
Variables used in weighting	Age x gender x location, Age x education, AEC region x household income
Weighting method used	Rim weighting
Full question text, responses categories and randomisation	See below
Proportion of landline/mobile completed interviews	N/A
Source of online sample	Selected from previously recruited online panels of research participants to fill quotas loosely based on weighting frame and past vote
Positioning of voting intention questions in questionnaire?	After demographic questions
How were undecided voters handled?	Undecided respondents who answered “don’t know” were asked a leaner question which also included a “don’t know” option. Those who answered don’t know were excluded from published voting intention figures but not from the survey. 6.7% were thus excluded from published voting intention figures.
2PP calculation method	N/A



Full Question Text of Published Questions

Qtn #	Question Text	Logic
employ ment_st atus_au _new	Which of these applies to you? Please select one option only.	ASK ALL
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Working full time (35 or more hours per week)	
2.	Working part time (8-34 hours a week)	
3.	Working part time (Less than 8 hours a week)	
4.	Not working - retired	
5.	Not working - looking for work	
6.	Not working - not looking for work	
out_wor k_reason _au	Which, if any, of the following best describes your current situation? Please select one option only.	Ask if employment_status _au_new= 5,6
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Permanently disabled	
2.	Taking care of home or family	
3.	Student	
4.	Temporarily unemployed (i.e. between jobs)	
5.	Permanently unemployed	
6.	Other	
7.	Prefer not to say	
8.	Not applicable - I am working	
9.	Not applicable - I am retired	
Qworkar rangeme nt	Thinking about your main job (the one in which you work the most hours), are you: Please select one option only.	Ask if employment_status _au_new = 1,2,3
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	A permanent employee (working for someone else and receiving paid annual and/or sick leave)	
2.	A casual employee (working for someone else and NOT receiving paid annual and/or sick leave)	
3.	A gig worker (working for yourself via an on-demand business, e.g. Uber or Deliveroo)	
4.	Self-employed (working for yourself as a sole trader or independent contractor)	
5.	Don't know/Prefer not to say	
Qindustr y	What industry do you work in? Please select one option only.	Ask if employment_status _au_new = 1,2,3



	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Accommodation and food services	
2.	Administrative and support services	
3.	Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	
4.	Arts and recreational services	
5.	Construction	
6.	Education and training	
7.	Electricity, gas, water and waste services	
8.	Financial and insurance services	
9.	Health care and social assistance	
10.	Information media and telecommunications	
11.	Mining	
12.	Manufacturing	
13.	Professional, scientific and technical services	
14.	Public administration and safety	
15.	Rental, hiring and real estate services	
16.	Retail trade	
17.	Transport, postal and warehousing	
18.	Wholesale trade	
19.	Other services	
20.	Don't know	
localincome_annual_au_new	<p>If you add up the income from all sources, what is your average GROSS household income per year? (GROSS income means amounts before tax is deducted and excluding compulsory superannuation contributions made by your employer.)</p> <p>Please select one option only.</p> <p><i>Single select</i></p>	ASK ALL
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Less than \$20,000	
2.	\$20,000 - 29,999	
3.	\$30,000 - 39,999	
4.	\$40,000 - 49,999	
5.	\$50,000 - 59,999	
6.	\$60,000 - 69,999	
7.	\$70,000 - 79,999	
8.	\$80,000 - 89,999	
9.	\$90,000 - 99,999	
10.	\$100,000 - 119,999	
11.	\$120,000 - 149,999	
12.	\$150,000 - 199,999	
13.	\$200,000 and above	
14.	Prefer not to say	
15.	Don't know	



Qeconres ource	Do you own?	ASK ALL
	<i>Single select grid; row order randomise</i>	
a.	Shares in any companies listed on a stock exchange (not included in superannuation)	
b.	A privately owned business or trust	
c.	One or more investment properties	
	<i>Column; random reverse</i>	
1.	Yes	
2.	No	
3.	Refuse to say, or unsure	Fixed
QGovPay ment	In the past 12 months, have you received any of the following government payments? Please select all that apply.	ASK ALL
	<i>Multiple select; randomise 1-7</i>	
1.	Age pension	
2.	Family tax benefit	
3.	Parenting payment	
4.	Disability support pension	
5.	Unemployment payments	
6.	Youth and student allowances	
7.	Carer allowance	
8.	Any other government pension/allowance	Fixed
9.	None of these	Fixed, exclusive
education _au_2019	What is the highest level of education you have completed? Please select one option only.	ASK ALL
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Primary school	
2.	Some Secondary School	
3.	Completed Secondary School (Year 12 or equivalent)	
4.	Certificate, Diploma, Advanced Diploma, or other TAFE/ College qualification	
5.	Bachelor Degree (including Honours Degree)	
6.	Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Masters Degree or Doctoral Degree	
7.	None of these	
house_te nure_au	Do you own or rent the home in which you live? Please select one option only.	ASK ALL
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Own outright	
2.	Own with a mortgage	



3.	Own (part-own) through shared ownership scheme (i.e. pay part mortgage, part rent)	
4.	Rent from a private landlord	
5.	Rent from public housing	
6.	Neither, I live with my parents, family or friends but pay some rent to them	
7.	Neither, I live rent-free with my parents, family or friends	
8.	Other	
9.	Prefer not to say	
maritalstatus	What is your current marital status? Please select one option only. <i>Single select</i>	ASK ALL
1.	Married	
2.	Living with partner	
3.	In relationship, but not living with partner	
4.	Widowed	
5.	Divorced	
6.	Separated	
7.	Single	
household_size	How many people, including yourself, are there in your household? Please include both adults and children. Please select one option only. <i>Single select</i>	ASK ALL
1.	1	
2.	2	
3.	3	
4.	4	
5.	5	
6.	6	
7.	7	
8.	8 or more	
9.	Don't know	
10.	Prefer not to say	
household_children	How many of the people in your household are under 18? Please select one option only. <i>Single select</i>	ASK ALL
1.	0	
2.	1	
3.	2	
4.	3	
5.	4	



6.	5 or more	
7.	Don't know	
8.	Prefer not to say	
country_of_birth	Please select from the list the country where you were born	ASK ALL
	<i>Drop down list of countries</i>	
ATSI_au	Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?	ASK ALL
	Please select one option only.	
	<i>Single select</i>	
1.	Aboriginal	
2.	Torres Strait Islander	
3.	Yes, both	
4.	No	
language_new_au	Which of the following languages do you speak at home?	ASK ALL
	Please select all that apply.	
	<i>Single select; randomise 2-38</i>	
1.	English	Fixed
2.	Arabic	
3.	Cantonese	
4.	Croatian	
5.	French	
6.	German	
7.	Greek	
8.	Hindi	
9.	Indonesian	
10.	Italian	
11.	Japanese	
12.	Korean	
13.	Macedonian	
14.	Mandarin	
15.	Nepali	
16.	Persian/ Farsi	
17.	Punjabi	
18.	Sinhalese	
19.	Spanish	
20.	Tagalog/ Filipino	
21.	Tamil	
22.	Thai	
23.	Turkish	
24.	Urdu	



25.	Vietnamese	
26.	Afrikaans	
27.	Australian Aboriginal languages	
28.	Dutch	
29.	Hungarian	
30.	Khmer	
31.	Malay	
32.	Malayalam	
33.	Maltese	
34.	Maori	
35.	Polish	
36.	Samoan	
37.	Serbian	
38.	Tegulu	
39.	Prefer not to say	Fixed
40.	Other (please specify)	Fixed
religion_a u_2020	Do you regard yourself as belonging to any particular religion, and if so, to which of these do you belong? Please select one option only. <i>Single select</i>	ASK ALL
1.	No, I do not regard myself as belonging to any particular religion	
2.	Yes - Anglican (Church of England)	
3.	Yes - Baptist	
4.	Yes - Catholic	
5.	Yes - Uniting Church	
6.	Yes - Presbyterian	
7.	Yes - Greek Orthodox	
8.	Yes - Buddhism	
9.	Yes - Islam	
10.	Yes - Jewish	
11.	Yes - Hinduism	
12.	Yes - Other Christian	
13.	Yes - Other	
14.	Prefer not to say	
rel_practi ce	Which, if any, of the following best applies to you regarding your relationship with religion? Please select one option only. <i>Single select</i>	ASK ALL
1.	I practice my religion	
2.	I belong to a religion, but do not practice	
3.	I practice, but not regularly	



4.	I only practice religion at major holidays (e.g. Christmas, Easter, Eid, Diwali, etc.)	
5.	Other	
6.	Don't know	
7.	Prefer not to say	
8.	Not applicable - I do not belong to a religion	
QChristian	Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not? Please select one option only. <i>Single select, reverse 1-2</i>	ASK IF religion_au_2020 = 2,3,4,5,6,7,12
1.	Yes	
2.	No	
3.	Don't know	Fixed
Qgender	How do you describe your gender? Please select one option only. <i>Single select; reverse 1-3</i>	ASK ALL
1.	Man/ male	
2.	Woman/ female	
3.	Non-binary	
4.	I use a different term	Free text; Fixed
5.	Prefer not to say	Fixed
Qorientation	Which of the following do you most identify with? Please select one option only. <i>Single select; reverse 1-4</i>	ASK ALL
1.	Heterosexual or straight	
2.	Gay	
3.	Lesbian	
4.	Bisexual	
5.	I use a different term	Free text; Fixed
6.	Prefer not to say	Fixed
Qdisability	Do you have a disability, impairment, or health condition that has lasted or is likely to last for 6 months or more? Please select one option only. <i>Single select; reverse 1-2</i>	ASK ALL
1.	Yes	
2.	No	
3.	Prefer not to say	Fixed



A2	Thinking about federal politics. If a federal election for the House of Representatives was held today, which one of the following would you vote for? Please select one option only. <i>Single select, randomise 1-5</i>	ASK IF ELIGIBLE TO VOTE
1.	The Labor Party	
2.	The Liberal Party	Show only in electorates where Liberal will run in 2022
3.	The Nationals	Show only in electorates where Nationals will run in 2022
4.	The LNP	Show only in QLD
5.	The Greens	
6.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	Show only in electorates where PHON will run in 2022
7.	Clive Palmer's United Australia Party	
8.	Named other parties (not published separately)	Show only in electorates where selected parties will run in 2022
9.	Named independent candidates (not published separately)	Show only in electorates where selected independent candidates will run in 2022
10.	Don't know	Fixed
A3	To which one of the following do you have a leaning? Please select one option only. <i>Single select, randomise 1-5</i>	Ask if A2 = 10 (Don't know)
1.	The Labor Party	
2.	The Liberal Party	Show only in electorates where Liberal will run in 2022
3.	The Nationals	Show only in electorates where Nationals will run in 2022
4.	The LNP	Show only in QLD
5.	The Greens	
6.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	Show only in electorates where PHON will run in 2022



7.	Clive Palmer's United Australia Party	
8.	Named other parties (not published separately)	Show only in electorates where selected parties will run in 2022
9.	Another party or candidate (please specify)	Show only in electorates where selected independent candidates will run in 2022
10.	Don't know	Fixed
A11	You must allocate preferences for all parties. Between these parties, which would you rank highest? Please select one option only. <i>Single select, rotate 1-3</i>	If A2 = 5,6,7,8,9 OR A3 = 5,6,7,8,9,10
1.	Labor	
2.	Liberal/ Nationals	Show if not QLD
3.	The LNP	Show if state = QLD
4.	Refused/ will just follow the how to vote cards/ don't know	Fixed
au_past vote_201 9_new	At the previous Federal election held in May 2019, which party got your first preference in the House of Representatives? Please select one option only. <i>Single select, randomise 1-6</i>	ASK ALL
1.	Liberal Party	Show if state = NSW, VIC, ACT, WA, TAS, SA
2.	Liberal-National Party	Show if state = QLD
3.	Country Liberal Party	Show if state = NT
4.	The Australian Labor Party	
5.	The Nationals Party	Show if state = NSW, VIC, ACT, WA, TAS, SA
6.	The Greens	
7.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	Show if state = NSW, VIC, WA, TAS, SA
8.	United Australia Party	
9.	Other / Independent	
10.	Not applicable - I did not vote	Fixed
11.	Not applicable - I am not eligible to vote in Australian elections	Fixed