

METHODOLOGY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Project name	Mood of the Nation - Special Edition (Wave 25)
Project reference	NGR 2203003

Research dates:	7 th - 13 th April 2026
Target population:	The target population for the research was Australian residents (all states and territories) aged 18+.
Research methodology:	The research comprised of a 20-minute self-complete online survey with n=1,237 participants, sourced from an ISO accredited market research panel.
Weighting approach:	The data was weighted using ABS Census population statistics on age, gender, location and occupation to match the estimated population of all Australian residents aged 18+. The total effective sample size after weighting was approximately 54%, equating to a margin of error of approximately +/-3.2% (at the 95% confidence interval).
Research questions:	A combination of single choice, multiple choice and open-ended (text response) questions were used in the research. All questions and response options were displayed in full during interviews.

This research was conducted in accordance with the Australian Polling Council Quality Mark standards which can be viewed here: <https://www.australianpollingcouncil.com/>

PUBLISHED QUESTIONS

PROG NOTE: ASK ALL RESPONDENTS

Q. What are the main issues facing Australians that are most important to you right now - the specific cares, concerns, or priorities that you typically talk about with friends or family?

(Please list these issues in the box below and be as specific as possible about them)

PROG NOTE: OPEN TEXT FIELD. MINIMUM 10 CHARACTERS

Q. How do you think the **Australian economy** will change over the following time frames? *(Select one answer per item)*

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW. ROTATE BETWEEN 1-5 AND 5-1

		It will get a lot worse	It will get a little worse	It will stay the same	It will get a little better	It will get a lot better
A	In 3 months	1	2	3	4	5
B	In 12 months	1	2	3	4	5
C	In 3 years	1	2	3	4	5

Q. Overall, how would you rate the performance of the following governments? *(Select one answer per item)*

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW. RANDOMISE A-B

	1	2	3	4	5	6	99
	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Very poor	Don't know
A	The (PROG NOTE: INSERT STATE/TERRITORY FROM Q) Government						
B	The Federal Government						

Q. Overall, do you feel positive or negative about Australia transitioning its electricity generation to renewables like solar, wind and hydro and moving away from coal and other fossil fuels? *(Select one answer)*

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE. ROTATE BETWEEN 1,2,3,4,5, AND 5,4,3,2,1

Very positive	Somewhat positive	Neither positive nor negative	Somewhat negative	Very negative
1	2	3	4	5

Q. Which **one** of the following do you think should be the **most** important overall priority for the upcoming Federal Government budget? *(Select one answer)*

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMISE 1-2

1	Increasing government investment and spending
2	Reducing debt and moderating government spending

PROG NOTE: ASK IF EMPLOYED IE CODE 1-3 IN Q. OTHERS GO TO Q

Q. Thinking about job security in your current employment.

How secure or insecure do you feel about your own job at the current point in time? *(Select one answer)*

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE

1	Very secure
2	Somewhat secure
3	Somewhat insecure
4	Very insecure
99	Don't know

PROG NOTE: ASK ALL RESPONDENTS

Q. Thinking now about the availability of fuel for households and businesses in Australia. This includes petrol and diesel. How much of a problem, if at all, do you think fuel availability is or will be...
(Select one answer per item)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW

		Major problem	Minor problem	Not a problem	Don't know
A	At the current point in time	1	2	3	99
B	1 month from now	1	2	3	99
C	12 months from now	1	2	3	99

Q. Do you think the Federal Government is currently doing too much, about the right amount or too little to manage the availability of fuel in Australia? (Select one answer)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE

1	Too much
2	About the right amount
3	Too little
99	Don't know

Q. Some have suggested that workers who are able to work from home should be encouraged to do it more often to reduce the usage of fuel in Australia.

Would you support or oppose the requirement for people to work from home **more often**? (Select one answer)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE

1	Strongly support
2	Somewhat support
3	Neither support nor oppose
4	Somewhat oppose
5	Strongly oppose
99	Don't know

Q. Would you support or oppose the following things in Australia to reduce the reliance on imports of fuel? (Select one answer per item)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW. RANDOMISE A-C

		Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neither support nor oppose	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
A	Allowing more oil and gas drilling to produce more fuel	1	2	3	4	5	99
B	Developing more fuel refineries, which turn raw or crude oil into fuels	1	2	3	4	5	99
C	Developing bio-fuels using locally grown agricultural materials (such as Canola)	1	2	3	4	5	99

Q. Fuel rationing involves limiting how much petrol or diesel households and businesses can buy, to manage supply shortages. Overall, which one of the following best reflects your view? (Select one answer)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE

1	You support at least some level of fuel rationing being introduced now
2	You support at least some level of fuel rationing but only if supply issues become worse
3	You don't support fuel rationing at any time
99	Don't know

PROG NOTE: ASK IF DON'T OWN OR DRIVE FULLY ELECTRIC VEHICLE IE CODE 2 IN Q. OTHERS GO TO Q

Q. Which of the following best applies to you? (*Select one answer*)

PROG NOTE: SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMISE 1-2 THEN 3-99 LAST

1	You are more likely to consider purchasing a fully electric vehicle compared to the start of this year
2	You are less likely to consider purchasing a fully electric vehicle compared to the start of this year
3	Your likelihood to consider purchasing a fully electric vehicle is no different compared to the start of the year
99	Don't know

PROG NOTE: ASK ALL RESPONDENTS

Q. Which of the following, if any, have you personally done specifically in response to recent rises in fuel prices? (*Select all that apply*)

PROG NOTE: MULTI RESPONSE. RANDOMISE 1-9 THEN 99 LAST. CODE 99 IS EXCLUSIVE

1	Driven less or combined multiple destinations into one trip
2	PROG NOTE: ONLY SHOW IF EMPLOYED IE CODES 1-3 IN Q Worked from home more often
3	PROG NOTE: ONLY SHOW IF EMPLOYED IE CODES 1-3 IN Q Changed or cancelled work travel plans
4	Changed holiday travel plans
5	Cancelled holiday travel plans
6	Used public transport more often than you otherwise would
7	Shopped around for cheaper fuel more often than you otherwise would
8	Changed vehicle use (e.g. used a more fuel efficient car)
9	Carpooled with a colleague or friend
99	None of the above