



SETTING THE SCENE

Q1. How concerned are you about climate change? **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

- Very concerned -----01
- Fairly concerned -----02
- Not very concerned -----03
- Not at all concerned -----04
- Don't know -----99

Q2. Please select the statement from the list below that is closest to your opinion... **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

I think that climate change is occurring	01
I do not think that climate change is occurring	02
I am unsure / don't know whether climate change is occurring	99

Q3. Please select the statement from the list below that is closest to your opinion... **[IF Q2=01 or 99] [SINGLE RESPONSE]**

I think that humans are the main cause of climate change	01
I think natural cycles are the main cause of climate change	02
I think that climate change is due to a mixture of human causes and natural cycles	03
I'm unsure / don't know what the causes of climate change are	99

Q4. For each of the following statements about climate change please indicate whether you *strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree* or *strongly disagree*. **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**

		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't Know
a	The seriousness of climate change is exaggerated	01	02	03	04	05	99
b	Humans will come up with solutions to tackle climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99



c	There are too many conflicting opinions for the public to be sure about claims made around climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99
d	Climate change poses a serious threat to our way of life over the coming decades	01	02	03	04	05	99
e	I trust the science that suggests the climate is changing due to human activities	01	02	03	04	05	99
f	The things I do on a daily basis contribute to climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99
g	The actions I take on a daily basis can help to address climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99

Q5. How concerned are you about the following impacts of climate change?

Very concerned	Fairly concerned	Not very concerned	Not at all concerned	Don't Know
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a	Water shortages in our cities	01	02	03	04	99
b	More droughts affecting crop production and food supply	01	02	03	04	99
c	Animal and plant species becoming extinct	01	02	03	04	99
d	A more polluted planet	01	02	03	04	99
e	Destruction of the Great Barrier Reef	01	02	03	04	99
f	A more polluted Australia	01	02	03	04	99
g	More extreme weather events like floods and cyclones (e.g. Larry and Yasi)	01	02	03	04	99
h	More heatwaves and extremely hot days	01	02	03	04	99
i	Rising sea levels threatening our coastal communities	01	02	03	04	99
j.	Seasons aren't what they used to be	01	02	03	04	99
k	More bushfires	01	02	03	04	99

MITIGATION

- Q6.** Please indicate **how effective** you think the following personal actions are in **reducing your greenhouse gas emissions**: **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**
By greenhouse gas emissions, we mean gases including carbon dioxide, which contribute to increasing the average temperature of the Earth (via the 'greenhouse effect'). Greenhouse gases can be emitted through activities including the burning of fuels, transport, and land clearance.



		Not at all effective										Very effective	Don't know
a	Putting solar panels on houses	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
b	Household recycling	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
c	Using low energy light globes	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
d	Insulating houses	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
e	Planting trees	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
f	Increasing the use of public transport instead of private vehicles	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
g	Reusing and repurposing things instead of buying new	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
h	Reducing energy waste by turning off the lights and/or appliances when not in the room	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
i	Purchasing energy efficient products and appliances	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
j	Saving water around the house	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
k	Local level community investment in renewable energy projects	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99

Q7. Please indicate **how effective** you think the following measures are in **reducing Australia's greenhouse gas emissions**: [SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]

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		Not at all effective										Very effective	Don't know
a	Increasing the energy efficiency of households	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
b	Increasing the energy efficiency of industry	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
c	Setting limits to how much emissions industry can emit	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
d	Increasing the proportion of energy from renewables (including solar, wind, geothermal)	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
e	Reducing the size of Australia's coal mining industry	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
f	Building nuclear power reactors	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
g	Investing in technologies that reduce carbon emissions by capturing and storing emissions from coal and gas	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
h	Participating in a new international agreement like the Kyoto Protocol to reduce global emissions	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
i	Setting emission standards for cars and trucks	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
j	Requiring industries that produce significant carbon emissions to pay for the amount of carbon dioxide they produce	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99



k	Providing incentives for farmers and other landholders to store carbon in trees and the soil	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99
l	Setting emission standards for power stations	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	99

Q8. If the Australian economy moved towards a low carbon future, what do you think would be the impact on the nation in the following areas? **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**

By 'low carbon future', we mean a cleaner way of doing business across a range of industries, including renewable energy, cleaner transport and carbon farming.

		Get better	Stay the same	Get worse	Don't Know
a	Employment opportunities / jobs	01	02	03	99
b	Economic growth	01	02	03	99
c	The level of carbon pollution	01	02	03	99
d	Individuals' health	01	02	03	99
e	Household expenses (e.g. electricity / gas / water)	01	02	03	99
f	The competitiveness of the Australian economy internationally	01	02	03	99
g	A sense of national pride	01	02	03	99
h	Science and technology expertise	01	02	03	99

Q9. Please order the following energy sources for Australia from your most preferred to least preferred **[RANDOMISE THE ORDER OF THE ITEMS WHEN RESPONDENT VIEWS] [CODE 99 = EXCLUSIVE]**

Coal		Most preferred
Gas		
Wind		
Solar		



Nuclear		Least preferred
Hydro (dams)		
Geothermal		
Tidal / wave		
Biomass (wood waste etc)		

OR

Don't know/ can't say-----99

RESPONSIBILITY & PERFORMANCE

Q10. How responsible do you think the following should be for action on climate change? **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**

		Should be taking a leading role in action on climate change	Should be contributing towards action on climate change	Should not be taking action on climate change	Don't Know
a	The Federal Government	01	02	03	99
b	Australian businesses/industry	01	02	03	99
c	State & Territory governments	01	02	03	99
d	The media	01	02	03	99
e	Your local community	01	02	03	99
f	Local governments	01	02	03	99
g	Environmental groups/ non-government organisations	01	02	03	99
h	Individuals and households in Australia	01	02	03	99

Q11. How would you rate the performance of each of these groups in taking action on climate change? **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**

		Excellent	Very good	Fairly good	Average	Fairly poor	Very poor	Terrible	Don't Know
a	The Federal	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99



	Government								
b	Australian businesses/ industry	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99
c	State & Territory governments	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99
d	The media	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99
e	Your local community	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99
f	Local governments	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99
g	Environmental groups/ non-government organisations	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	99

INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

Q12. For each of the following, please indicate whether you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *neither agree nor disagree*, *disagree* or *strongly disagree*. **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS]**



		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't Know
a	Australia should be a world leader in finding solutions to climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99
b	Australia can be influential in encouraging other countries to tackle climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99
c	Tackling climate change creates opportunities for new jobs and investment in clean energy (e.g. solar, wind, geothermal)	01	02	03	04	05	99
d	Australia needs to help developing countries decrease their carbon emissions and adapt for the impacts of climate change	01	02	03	04	05	99
e	Australia shouldn't act on climate change until other major emitters like US and China do	01	02	03	04	05	99
f	Australia should be amongst those leading the world in putting a price on carbon	01	02	03	04	05	99

Q13. Both the Government and Coalition have committed internationally to reducing Australia's carbon emissions by at least 5% by 2020. Would you say that the target of 5% is... **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

- Much too high -----01
- Too high -----02
- About right -----03
- Too low -----04
- Much too low -----05
- Don't know -----99

CARBON PRICING

Q14. Australia now has laws which price carbon and which require industries to pay a charge based on the amount of carbon emissions they emit, many call it a carbon tax. For each of the following, please indicate whether you *strongly agree*, *agree*, *neither agree nor disagree*, *disagree* or *strongly disagree*. **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS, EXCEPT h, i, j and k – KEEP AS THE FINAL THREE STATEMENTS IN ORDER]**



		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't Know
A	Carbon pricing is better than taking no action	01	02	03	04	05	99
B	Carbon pricing will have a negative impact on the Australian economy	01	02	03	04	05	99
C	Government compensation from the revenue raised from carbon pricing means that most households will not suffer as a result of carbon pricing	01	02	03	04	05	99
D	Carbon pricing will drive investment in renewable energy	01	02	03	04	05	99
E	The Coalition should repeal carbon pricing if it is elected to government at the next Federal election	01	02	03	04	05	99
F	The Coalition will repeal carbon pricing if elected to government at the next Federal election	01	02	03	04	05	99
G	Labor has an effective plan to tackle climate change that can achieve at least a 5% reduction in Australia's greenhouse gas emissions by 2020	01	02	03	04	05	99
H	The Coalition has an effective plan to tackle climate change that can achieve at least a 5% reduction in Australia's greenhouse gas emissions by 2020	01	02	03	04	05	99

Q15. Thinking again about carbon pricing, please indicate whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements. **[SINGLE RESPONSE PER ROW, RANDOMIZE ROWS b, c and d ONLY]**

		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't Know
a	I support the carbon pricing laws	01	02	03	04	05	99
b	I support carbon pricing if a significant proportion of the money raised goes to	01	02	03	04	05	99



	support low and middle income households						
c	I support carbon pricing if a significant proportion of the money raised supports Australian businesses through the transition	01	02	03	04	05	99
d	I support carbon pricing if a significant proportion of the money raised is invested in renewable energy	01	02	03	04	05	99
e	I support carbon pricing if all the money raised goes to support low and middle income households and Australian businesses and renewable energy investment	01	02	03	04	05	99

- Q16.** Do you think you personally will be better or worse off under the carbon price legislation?
- Much better off -----01
 - A little better off -----02
 - About the same -----03
 - A little worse off -----04
 - Much worse off -----05
 - Don't know -----99

SUPERANNUATION

- Q17.** How concerned are you about the effect that climate change will have on your superannuation or other long-term investments? **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

- Very concerned -----01
- Fairly concerned -----02
- Not very concerned -----03
- Not at all concerned -----04
- Don't know -----99

- Q18.** How confident are you that your superannuation fund will manage the long-term risks and opportunities that climate change poses to your investments? **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

- Very confident -----01
- Fairly confident -----02
- Not very confident -----03



Not at all confident	04
Don't know	99

DEMOGRAPHICS

Now we have a couple of questions to help us analyse the results.

Q19. Firstly, how many people are there living in your household, **including yourself**?

One	01
Two	02
Three	03
Four	04
Five or more	05

Q20. **[IF Q19 > 1]** Are you currently...?

Married or in a defacto relationship	01
Single	02
I'd prefer not to say	99

Q21. Which of the following best describes your work status? **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

Full-time work	01
Part-time work	02
Casual work	03
Unemployed	04
Retired	05
Home duties	06
Full time student	07
Prefer not to say/refused	99

Q22. What is the highest level of education that you have completed?
[SINGLE RESPONSE]

Postgraduate degree (honours, master's, PhD)	01
Graduate diploma or graduate certificate	02
Bachelor Degree (undergraduate)	03
Advanced diploma or diploma	04
Certificate (TAFE)	05
Year 12	06
Year 11	07
Year 10 or under	08



I'd prefer not to say -----99

Q23. Do you own or rent the home in which you live?
[SINGLE RESPONSE]

Own / mortgage (or parents own/mortgage) -----01
 Rent-----02
 I'd prefer not to say -----99

Q24. What is your approximate annual household income before tax? *That is, the combined income of all members of your household* **[SINGLE RESPONSE]**

Less than \$15,000 -----01
 \$15,000 - \$25,000-----02
 \$25,001 - \$40,000-----03
 \$40,001 - \$60,000-----04
 \$60,001 - \$80,000-----05
 \$80,001 - \$100,000 -----06
 \$100,001 - \$150,000-----07
 Over \$150,000 -----08
 I'd prefer not to say -----99

Q25. Please indicate if any of the following apply to you.

		Yes	No
A	Do you have dependent children living in your household?	01	02
B	Do you receive a government pension, allowance or benefit?	01	02
C	Do you or your parents mainly speak a language other than English at home?	01	02