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Polling brief: Pre-Budget poll

Ipsos has been commissioned by Anglicare Australia to run a survey with a representative national sample.

The data collection was conducted from 10 to 12 March 2022, with a total sample of 1,000 Australian respondents. The sample has been weighted to be representative of the Australian population by age, gender and location. The full breakdown is at Table 1.

Table 1. Breakdown of participants by region, state, gender and age

		Unweighted	Weighted
Region	Metro	597	578
	Rural	403	422
State	NSW	308	320
	VIC	267	257
	SA	72	72
	ACT	20	17
	WA	102	105
	TAS	21	21
	NT	5	10
	QLD	205	198
Gender	Male	464	494
	Female	536	506
Age	18 to 29	170	219
	30 to 49	368	354
	50 +	462	427
Total n=		1000	

Question 1: Job creation

Question 1 asked:

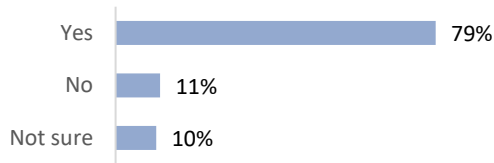
1.2 million Australians are looking for work. Another 1.2 million are looking for extra hours. There are 259,000 job vacancies across the country.

Should the Federal Government invest in creating new jobs in its upcoming Budget?

The results at Figure 1 show that four in five (79 percent) of those polled answered yes.

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Figure 1. Job creation in the upcoming Budget



Question 2: Federal Budget priorities

Question 2 asked:

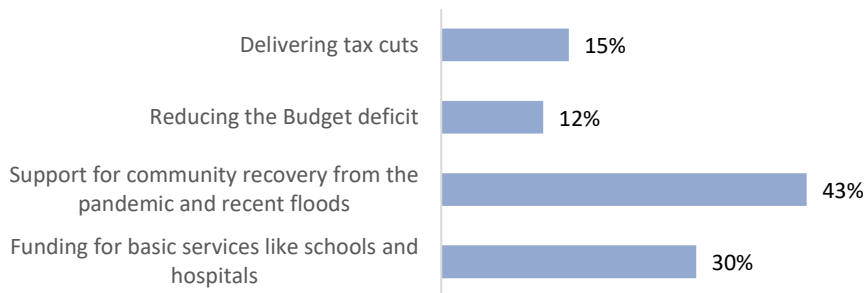
In its upcoming Budget, the Government should prioritise:

- *Funding for basic services like schools and hospitals*
- *Support for community recovery from the pandemic and recent floods*
- *Reducing the Budget deficit*
- *Delivering tax cuts*

Please rank your answers where 1 = highest priority, through to 4 = lowest priority.

Options were randomised. The results at Figure 2 show the responses.

Figure 2. Federal Budget priorities



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