

NOW THINKING ABOUT WHETHER AUSTRALIA SHOULD BECOME A REPUBLIC, ARE YOU PERSONALLY IN FAVOUR OR AGAINST AUSTRALIA BECOMING A REPUBLIC? IF IN FAVOUR IS THAT STRONGLY IN FAVOUR OR PARTLY IN FAVOUR? IF AGAINST IS THAT STRONGLY AGAINST OR PARTLY AGAINST?

	OCT 1987	JUN 1991	FEB/MAR 1992	MAY 1992	APR 1993	JUL 1993	SEPT 1993	NOV 1993	MARCH 1994	SEPT 1994	DEC 1994	MAR 1995	JUN 1995
	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
STRONGLY IN FAVOUR	-	20	27	22	28	25	22	22	22	22	26	28	28
PARTLY IN FAVOUR	<u>-</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>22</u>
TOTAL IN FAVOUR	21	34	44	41	46	46	39	39	39	42	47	47	50
PARTLY AGAINST	-	14	16	14	12	14	16	14	15	16	14	15	15
STRONGLY AGAINST	<u>-</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>
TOTAL AGAINST	64	52	40	45	35	36	44	44	43	43	37	34	35
UNCOMMITTED	15	14	16	14	19	18	17	17	18	15	16	19	15

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	ALP TOTAL ADULTS %	NATIONAL SUPPORT- TERS %	LIBERAL & SUPPORT- TERS %		AGE OF RESPONDENT			COUNTRY OF BIRTH			
			MEN %	WOMEN %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50 YEARS & OVER %	AUSTRALIA %	UK %	OTHER %	
STRONGLY IN FAVOUR	28	44	13	31	26	24	37	26	26	20	49
PARTLY IN FAVOUR	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>15</u>
TOTAL IN FAVOUR	50	65	36	57	43	50	57	44	48	45	64
PARTLY AGAINST	15	17	17	10	20	20	12	11	17	15	6
STRONGLY AGAINST	<u>20</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>6</u>
TOTAL AGAINST	35	25	50	27	43	33	27	43	38	46	12
UNCOMMITTED	15	10	14	16	14	17	16	13	14	9	24

IF AUSTRALIA BECOMES A REPUBLIC WITH A NEW HEAD OF STATE SHOULD THAT PERSON ....?

	JULY 1993	MARCH 1995	-----JUNE 1995-----										
	TOTAL ADULTS %	TOTAL ADULTS %	TOTAL ADULTS %	ALP SUPPORT- TERS %	LIBERAL & NATIONAL SUPPORT- TERS %	AGE OF RESPONDENT			COUNTRY OF BIRTH				
						MEN %	WOMEN %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50 YEARS & OVER %	AUSTRALIA %	UK %	OTHER %
BE ELECTED BY POPULAR VOTE OF ALL AUSTRALIAN ELECTORS	79	78	74	72	78	66	81	78	78	66	76	62	69
BE ELECTED BY A TWO THIRDS MAJORITY OF BOTH HOUSES OF THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT*	10	14	16	20	14	21	10	11	16	20	14	26	20
BE APPOINTED BY THE PRIME MINISTER <sup>+</sup>	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BE CHOSEN IN SOME OTHER WAY	1	1	3	4	3	4	3	4	2	3	3	5	3
UNCOMMITTED	8	5	7	4	5	9	6	7	4	11	7	7	8

\* In July 1993 and March 1995 this question read "be elected by the Federal Parliament"

<sup>+</sup> This option was only included in July 1993 and March 1995

AND THINKING OF THE POWERS THAT A NEW HEAD OF STATE COULD HAVE. SHOULD THE HEAD OF STATE ....?

	-----JUNE 1995-----											
	JULY 1993											
	TOTAL ADULTS	TOTAL ADULTS	ALP SUPPORTERS	LIBERAL & NATIONAL SUPPORTERS	AGE OF RESPONDENT		COUNTRY OF BIRTH					
	%	%	%	%	MEN	WOMEN	18-34 YEARS	35-49 YEARS	50 YEARS & OVER	AUSTRALIA	UK	OTHER
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
HAVE THE SAME POWERS AS THE PRESENT GOVERNOR GENERAL*	40	43	39	53	47	40	35	43	53	43	68	33
HAVE WIDER POWERS LIKE A UNITED STATES PRESIDENT	32	36	44	31	34	37	46	37	23	37	17	36
BE A FIGUREHEAD ONLY WITH NO REAL POWER	12	11	11	8	11	10	8	10	14	10	10	14
UNCOMMITTED	16	10	6	8	8	13	11	10	10	10	5	17

\* In July 1993 this option read "Have the same powers as the present Governor General and be able to dismiss the Prime Minister and the Government"

WOULD YOU SAY THE ISSUE OF WHETHER AUSTRALIA SHOULD BECOME A REPUBLIC IS VERY IMPORTANT, FAIRLY IMPORTANT OR NOT IMPORTANT ON HOW YOU PERSONALLY WOULD VOTE IN A FEDERAL ELECTION?

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	TOTAL VOTERS %	ALP SUPPORT- TERS %	LIBERAL & NATIONAL SUPPORT- TERS %	AGE OF RESPONDENT			COUNTRY OF BIRTH				
				MEN %	WOMEN %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50 YEARS & OVER %	AUSTRALIA %	UK %	OTHER %
VERY IMPORTANT	23	26	21	24	21	19	25	26	22	18	33
FAIRLY IMPORTANT	<u>31</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>23</u>
TOTAL IMPORTANT	54	64	47	50	58	60	55	47	55	37	56
NOT IMPORTANT	43	34	50	47	39	38	41	49	42	62	43
UNCOMMITTED	3	2	3	3	3	2	4	4	3	1	1

RECENTLY BOTH THE PRIME MINISTER, MR PAUL KEATING, AND THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION, MR JOHN HOWARD, ANNOUNCED THEIR APPROACHES TO DECIDING WHETHER AUSTRALIA SHOULD BECOME A REPUBLIC. WHO DO YOU PERSONALLY THINK HAS THE BETTER APPROACH TO DECIDING WHETHER AUSTRALIA SHOULD BECOME A REPUBLIC, ....?

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				MEN %	WOMEN %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50 YEARS & OVER %	AUSTRALIA %	UK %	OTHER %
MR HOWARD	38	19	59	36	41	35	35	44	38	52	32
MR KEATING	36	63	18	44	28	38	40	32	36	26	47
UNCOMMITTED	26	18	23	20	31	27	25	24	26	22	21

These surveys were conducted on the telephone by trained interviewers in all states of Australia and in both city and country areas. Telephone numbers and the person within the household were selected at random. The data has been weighted to reflect the population distribution. The latest survey was conducted on 16-18 June 1995 among 1200 people aged 18 years and over. Copyright at all times remains with NEWSPOLL.