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Liberal leadership speculation sees ALP up 5% on two-party preferred support: ALP 58.5% cf. L-NP Coalition 41.5%

In the days before Angus Taylor was elected as the new Liberal Party Leader early on Friday morning, the Roy Morgan Poll shows primary support for the ALP up 2% to 30.5%, One Nation up 0.5% to 25%, and the L-NP Coalition down 2.5% to 20%.

Support for the Greens was down 0.5% to 13% and support for Independents/Other Parties was up 0.5% to 11.5% according to the latest Roy Morgan survey conducted from February 9-13, 2026, with a representative Australia-wide cross-section of 1,216 electors.

On a two-party preferred basis, the ALP on 58.5% (up 5% from a week ago) is ahead of the Coalition on 41.5% (down 5%). The distribution of preferences will be more important than ever at the next Federal Election and when preferences from this week's Roy Morgan survey are allocated based on how Australians voted at the 2025 Federal Election the two-party preferred result is much closer than the respondent allocated preferences with the ALP on 55% (up 2%) leading the L-NP Coalition on 45% (down 2%).

Analysis by gender shows women supporting the ALP on 61% compared to the L-NP on 39% on a two-party preferred basis while men support the ALP on 56% compared to the L-NP on 44%.

If a Federal Election were held now the ALP would be returned to Government with an increased majority.

Roy Morgan Interviewing in January and February 2026: Primary Vote & Two-Party Preferred

<u>Primary Vote</u>	<u>Late January 2026*</u>	<u>Ending February 1, 2026*</u>	<u>February 2-8, 2026</u>	<u>February 9-13, 2026</u>	<u>Change</u>
	1 Week*	1 Week*	1 Week*	5 Days*	
	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	30.5	30.5	28.5	30.5	+2
One Nation	22.5	25	24.5	25	+0.5
L-NP	22.5	20.5	22.5	20	-2.5
Greens	13	12.5	13.5	13	-0.5
Independents/Others	11.5	11.5	11	11.5	+0.5
TOTAL	100	100	100		
<u>Two-Party Preferred</u>	<u>Late January 2026*</u>	<u>Ending February 1, 2026*</u>	<u>February 2-8, 2026</u>	<u>February 9-13, 2026</u>	<u>Change</u>
	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	56.5	56	53.5	58.5	+5
L-NP	43.5	44	46.5	41.5	-5
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	

*Interviewing dates of Australian electors aged 18+: **Late January 2026**: January 19-25, 2026 (n=1,653); **Ending February 1, 2026**: January 26 – February 1, 2026 (n=5,111); **February 2-8, 2026**: (n=1,584); **February 9-13, 2026**: (n=1,216).

Roy Morgan Government Confidence Rating up slightly to 71.5 – nearly 30pts below the neutral level of 100 – only 28.5% of electors say the country is ‘going in the right direction’

The Roy Morgan Government Confidence Rating increased 1.5 points to 71.5. A majority of 57% (down 1%) of Australians say the country is ‘going in the wrong direction’ compared to only 28.5% (up 0.5%) that say the country is ‘going in the right direction’.

The latest Roy Morgan survey is based on interviewing a representative cross-section of 1,216 Australian electors over the last few days of February 9-13, 2026. Of all electors surveyed last week, 7% (up 0.5%) can’t say who they would vote for. When comparing different polls, it is always important to make sure to take note of the dates when the polls are conducted to undertake a proper comparison between two polls.

Further details will be released in [Roy Morgan’s weekly video update](#) presented by Roy Morgan Chief Executive Officer Michele Levine.

For detailed analysis such as by States, capital cities/country areas, age, gender, occupation, and education contact Julian McCrann on (03) 9224 5365 or email julian.mccrann@roymorgan.com.

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Margin of Error

The margin of error to be allowed for in any estimate depends mainly on the number of interviews on which it is based. Margin of error gives indications of the likely range within which estimates would be 95% likely to fall, expressed as the number of percentage points above or below the actual estimate. Allowance for design effects (such as stratification and weighting) should be made as appropriate.

Sample Size	Percentage Estimate			
	40%-60%	25% or 75%	10% or 90%	5% or 95%
1,000	±3.0	±2.7	±1.9	±1.3
2,000	±2.2	±1.9	±1.3	±1.0
60,000	±0.4	±0.4	±0.2	±0.2

