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## No boost in support for Albanese Government after cutting the fuel excise for three months

In the last week ALP primary was virtually unchanged at 30.5%, but support for the L-NP Coalition increased 1.5% to 24% – Liberals up 0.5% to 20% & Nationals up 1% to 4%, likely at the expense of One Nation, down 2% to 21.5%. Support for the Greens dropped 1.5% to 12%, while Other Parties/Independents were up 1.5% to 12% according to the Roy Morgan survey conducted from March 30 – April 5, 2026, with a representative Australia-wide cross-section of 1,411 electors.

On a two-party preferred basis (based on how electors said they'd 'vote' their preferences) ALP 56% (down 0.5%) is well ahead of the L-NP 44% (up 0.5%). When preferences are allocated based on how Australians voted at the 2025 Federal Election, ALP 53.5% (down 1%) leads the L-NP 46.5% (up 1%) – a smaller ALP lead.

**If a Federal Election were held now the ALP would be returned to Government with a clear majority under either method.**

Last week was dominated by talk about the energy crisis with the Albanese Government electing to cut the fuel excise on petrol and diesel in half – a cut of 26.3 cents per litre. A special [Roy Morgan SMS Poll found 83% of Australians approve of the Albanese Government's cut to the fuel excise](#), 17% disapprove.

However, there was no significant move in support for the ALP. The biggest movements were for the L-NP Coalition (up 1.5% to 24%) overtaking One Nation (down 2% to 21.5%).

**Roy Morgan Government Confidence Rating: only 23% (down 1.5% in a week) of electors say the country is 'going in the right direction', driving index down 4pts to record low 61 – 39pts below the neutral level of 100**

The Roy Morgan Government Confidence Rating dropped 4pts to a record low of just 61. A rising majority of 62% (up 2.5% points) of Australians to say the country is 'going in the wrong direction' compared to only 23% (down 1.5% points) that say the country is 'going in the right direction'.

The plummeting Government Confidence comes as concerns about fuel shortages and rising petrol and diesel prices persist in Australia despite the Albanese Government's decision to cut the fuel excise last week.

However, there are considerable differences in Government Confidence Rating when looking at the different parties people are voting for:

Government Confidence among ALP supporters is high at 119.5 (although down 8pts from a week ago), but for supporters of all other parties is well below the neutral level of 100.

Greens supporters have Government Confidence of 72.5 (up 2.5pts from a week ago), well above L-NP Coalition supporters on only 36 (up 1pt), and One Nation supporters on just 14.5 (down 0.5pts). Supporters of Independents/ Other Parties have Government Confidence of 53.5 (down 3pts).

The latest Roy Morgan survey is based on interviewing a representative cross-section of 1,411 Australian electors over the last few days of March 30 – April 5, 2026. Of all electors surveyed last week, 7% (up 1.5%) 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.

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**Roy Morgan Interviewing in March & April 2026: Primary Vote & Two-Party Preferred**

<b><u>Primary Vote</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 9-15, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 16-22, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 23-29, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 30-Apr 5, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	<b>1 Week*</b>	<b>1 Week*</b>	<b>1 Week*</b>	<b>1 Week*</b>	
	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	28.5	27	30	30.5	+0.5
L-NP	24	25.5	22.5	24	+1.5
One Nation	22.5	23.5	23.5	21.5	-2.0
Greens	12.5	13.5	13.5	12	-1.5
Independents/Others	12.5	10.5	10.5	12	+1.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b><u>Two-Party Preferred</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 9-15, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 16-22, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 23-29, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Mar. 30-Apr 5, 2026</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	54	52.5	56.5	56	-0.5%
L-NP	46	47.5	43.5	44	+0.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

\*Interviewing dates of Australian electors aged 18+: **March 9-15, 2026** (n=1,654 electors); **March 16-22, 2026** (n=1,664 electors); **March 23-29, 2026** (n=1,562) and **March 30 – April 5, 2026** (n=1,411).

**ALP maintains clear leads amongst both genders, and people aged under 50, L-NP leads people 65+**

A look at voting results by gender shows the ALP leading strongly amongst women on a two-party preferred basis: ALP 57.5% cf. L-NP 42.5%, and comfortably amongst men: ALP 54% cf. L-NP 46%.

Analysis of voting patterns by age shows several clear trends – support for the ALP slides with age

The ALP has a commanding two-party preferred lead among people aged 18-34: ALP 69% cf. L-NP 31% - and this is built on the combined primary support of the ALP (26.5%) and the Greens (27%).

For people aged 35-49, those most likely to have a mortgage and a young family, the ALP has a large two-party preferred lead: ALP 60.5% cf. L-NP 39.5%. Primary support for the ALP (37.5%) is higher among this age group than any of the other three age groups analysed.

The closest contest between the ALP and L-NP Coalition is for people aged 50-64 with a narrow lead for the ALP 52.5% cf. L-NP 47.5%. Support for One Nation (30.5%) is higher among this age group – often identified as ‘Generation X’ – than any other age group analysed.

The L-NP Coalition leads clearly for people aged 65+ - both on primary support (L-NP 36.5% cf. ALP 27.5%), and on two-party preferred support: L-NP 57.5% cf. ALP 42.5%.



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	<b>All Electors</b>	<b>Gender</b>		<b>Age</b>			
<b>Primary Vote</b>		<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>18-34</b>	<b>35-49</b>	<b>50-64</b>	<b>65+</b>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	30.5	29	32.5	26.5	37.5	31	27.5
L-NP	24	22.5	25	14	19.5	24	36.5
One Nation	21.5	27	16.5	18.5	20	30.5	18
Greens	12	9	15	27	10.5	6.5	5
Independents/Others	12	12.5	11	14	12.5	8	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Two-Party Preferred</b>							
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	56	54	57.5	69	60.5	52.5	42.5
L-NP	44	46	42.5	31	39.5	47.5	57.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

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

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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.

<b>Sample Size</b>	<b>Percentage Estimate</b>			
	<b>40%-60%</b>	<b>25% or 75%</b>	<b>10% or 90%</b>	<b>5% or 95%</b>
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



