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NOW THINKING ABOUT THE FEDERAL BUDGET TO BE HANDED DOWN BY THE TREASURER, (MR WAYNE SWAN), IN MAY. WOULD YOU PERSONALLY BE IN FAVOUR OR AGAINST INCOME TAX CUTS BEING GIVEN IN THE FEDERAL BUDGET?

-----9-11 MAY 2008-----

	APR 2007		HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	LESS THAN \$30,000	\$30,000 TO \$69,999	\$70,000 PLUS	MALE	FEMALE	LABOR SUPPORTERS	COALITION SUPPORTERS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
IN FAVOUR	66	66	63	70	66	64	67	70	69
AGAINST	19	18	18	18	18	23	14	16	19
UNCOMMITTED	15	16	19	12	16	13	19	14	12

SOME ECONOMISTS BELIEVE THAT GIVING PERSONAL INCOME TAX CUTS IN THIS BUDGET MAY LEAD TO A RISE IN INTEREST RATES. GIVEN THIS POSSIBILITY, WOULD YOU PERSONALLY BE IN FAVOUR OR AGAINST INCOME TAX CUTS BEING GIVEN IN THE FEDERAL BUDGET?

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
IN FAVOUR	36	36	30	38	38	41	31	37	37
AGAINST	53	54	56	54	53	50	57	52	57
UNCOMMITTED	11	10	14	8	9	9	12	11	6

THINKING NOW ABOUT THE BABY BONUS. THE BABY BONUS IS A ONE-OFF PAYMENT OF \$4,258 THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAKES TO PARENTS OF NEW BORN BABIES. CURRENTLY, THE BABY BONUS IS NOT MEANS TESTED - THAT IS, IT IS PAID TO ALL PARENTS REGARDLESS OF THEIR LEVEL OF INCOME. DO YOU THINK THE BABY BONUS SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE MEANS TESTED?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		AGE			VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL	YES	NO	LESS THAN \$30,000	\$30,000 TO \$69,999	\$70,000 PLUS	MALE	FEMALE	18-34 YEARS	35-49 YEARS	50+ YEARS	LABOR SUPPORTERS	COALITION SUPPORTERS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
YES / SHOULD	65	62	67	72	73	57	68	62	51	68	73	72	57
NO / SHOULD NOT	32	35	30	25	24	42	30	34	45	29	24	26	40
UNCOMMITTED	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	4	4	3	3	2	3

AND ABOVE WHAT HOUSEHOLD INCOME LEVEL DO YOU THINK THE BABY BONUS SHOULD BE MEANS TESTED? DO YOU THINK IT SHOULD BE MEANS TESTED ABOVE...?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		AGE			VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL	YES	NO	LESS THAN \$30,000	\$30,000 TO \$69,999	\$70,000 PLUS	MALE	FEMALE	18-34 YEARS	35-49 YEARS	50+ YEARS	LABOR SUPPORTERS	COALITION SUPPORTERS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
\$40,000	16	17	16	23	18	9	18	15	17	17	16	13	19
\$70,000	37	35	37	33	40	38	38	35	38	35	37	36	34
\$100,000	32	33	31	28	32	35	30	33	29	34	31	33	34
\$150,000	11	12	11	12	7	15	10	12	10	13	10	14	9
UNCOMMITTED	4	3	5	4	3	3	4	5	6	1	6	4	4

AND THINKING NOW ABOUT FEES FOR CHILD CARE. CURRENTLY, CHILD CARE TAX REBATES ARE NOT MEANS TESTED. DO YOU THINK CHILD CARE TAX REBATES SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE MEANS TESTED?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		AGE			VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL	YES	NO	LESS THAN \$30,000	TO \$69,999	\$70,000 PLUS	MALE	FEMALE	18-34 YEARS	35-49 YEARS	50+ YEARS	LABOR SUPPORTERS	COALITION SUPPORTERS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
YES / SHOULD	57	56	58	60	64	54	59	56	51	59	61	59	56
NO / SHOULD NOT	36	39	34	30	30	42	35	36	41	35	32	34	39
UNCOMMITTED	7	5	8	10	6	4	6	8	8	6	7	7	5

AND ABOVE WHAT HOUSEHOLD INCOME LEVEL DO YOU THINK CHILD CARE TAX REBATES SHOULD BE MEANS TESTED? DO YOU THINK IT SHOULD BE MEANS TESTED ABOVE...?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		AGE			VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL	YES	NO	LESS THAN \$30,000	TO \$69,999	\$70,000 PLUS	MALE	FEMALE	18-34 YEARS	35-49 YEARS	50+ YEARS	LABOR SUPPORTERS	COALITION SUPPORTERS
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
\$40,000	12	12	12	18	10	7	13	11	17	10	11	10	12
\$70,000	36	33	38	39	46	27	37	36	30	37	39	35	36
\$100,000	38	42	36	32	34	49	38	39	40	40	36	39	40
\$150,000	12	12	12	9	9	17	10	13	12	12	11	15	9
UNCOMMITTED	2	1	2	2	1	*	2	1	1	1	3	1	3

\* less than 0.5%

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NOW THINKING ABOUT FAMILY TAX BENEFITS. THERE IS A TAX BENEFIT AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES WITH ONE MAIN INCOME EARNER AND THE OTHER PARENT EITHER NOT WORKING OR EARNING LESS THAN ABOUT \$22,000 A YEAR. ANY FAMILY LIKE THIS CAN CLAIM THE TAX BENEFIT REGARDLESS OF HOW MUCH THE MAIN INCOME EARNER MAKES. DO YOU THINK THIS FAMILY TAX BENEFIT SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE MEANS TESTED BASED ON HOW MUCH THE MAIN INCOME EARNER MAKES?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME----- \$30,000			GENDER-----		AGE-----			VOTING INTENTION-----	
	TOTAL %	YES %	NO %	LESS THAN \$30,000 %	TO \$69,999 %	\$70,000 PLUS %	MALE %	FEMALE %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50+ YEARS %	LABOR SUPPORTERS %	COALITION SUPPORTERS %
YES / SHOULD	64	64	64	60	70	63	66	62	60	66	65	68	60
NO / SHOULD NOT	31	33	30	29	28	35	31	32	36	29	29	27	36
UNCOMMITTED	5	3	6	11	2	2	3	6	4	5	6	5	4

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WOULD YOU PERSONALLY BE IN FAVOUR OR AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT'S PLAN TO REMOVE THIS FAMILY TAX BENEFIT FOR HOUSEHOLDS WHERE THE MAIN INCOME EARNER MAKES MORE THAN \$250,000 A YEAR?

	CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD			HOUSEHOLD INCOME			GENDER		AGE			VOTING INTENTION	
	TOTAL %	YES %	NO %	LESS THAN \$30,000 %	TO \$69,999 %	PLUS \$70,000 %	MALE %	FEMALE %	18-34 YEARS %	35-49 YEARS %	50+ YEARS %	LABOR SUPPORTERS %	COALITION SUPPORTERS %
IN FAVOUR	81	82	80	77	84	82	80	81	77	83	81	85	75
AGAINST	17	17	17	19	13	17	18	16	21	15	16	12	23
UNCOMMITTED	2	1	3	4	3	1	2	3	2	2	3	3	2

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. Questions are based on 1,206 interviews among adults aged 18 years and over. The maximum margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points on the total sample. Copyright at all times remains with NEWSPOLL. More poll information is available at [www.newspoll.com.au](http://www.newspoll.com.au)