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 WOULD YOU SAY EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ISSUES IS VERY IMPORTANT, FAIRLY IMPORTANT
 OR NOT IMPORTANT ON HOW YOU PERSONALLY WOULD VOTE IN A FEDERAL ELECTION?

<u>JUN 2007 - Summary</u>	<u>OCT 2005</u>	<u>FEB 2006</u>	<u>JUN 2006</u>	<u>OCT 2006</u>	<u>FEB 2007</u>	<u>JUN 2007</u>
<u>Issues Rated Very Important</u>	%	%	%	%	%	%
HEALTH & MEDICARE	83	85	83	82	79	77
WATER PLANNING*	NA	NA	NA	NA	82	75
EDUCATION	78	80	79	78	78	75
THE ENVIRONMENT	NA	NA	60	NA	70	66
THE ECONOMY	68	67	67	70	66	64
WELFARE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	59	66	59	66	62	63
FAMILY ISSUES	NA	NA	59	NA	NA	59
NATIONAL SECURITY	66	58	60	64	60	58
LEADERSHIP	56	56	55	56	56	58
INTEREST RATES	NA	NA	51	NA	NA	49
TAXATION	NA	NA	54	NA	NA	48
INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS	49	48	53	54	48	47
DEFENCE	NA	NA	51	NA	NA	44
UNEMPLOYMENT	NA	NA	48	NA	NA	44
INFLATION	NA	NA	45	NA	NA	44
WOMEN'S ISSUES (among females)	NA	NA	41 (48)	NA	NA	41 (47)
IMMIGRATION	NA	NA	43	NA	NA	33
ABORIGINAL AND NATIVE TITLE ISSUES	NA	NA	27	NA	NA	31

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	LIBERAL/ NATIONALS COALITION	LABOR PARTY	SOMEONE ELSE	NONE	UNCOMMITTED
<u>JUN 2007 - Summary</u>	%	%	%	%	%
HEALTH & MEDICARE	33	45	4	2	16
WATER PLANNING*	29	36	10	6	19
EDUCATION	28	50	4	3	15
THE ENVIRONMENT	25	39	17	3	16
THE ECONOMY	51	30	2	3	14
WELFARE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	28	49	5	3	15
FAMILY ISSUES	28	46	7	3	16
NATIONAL SECURITY	47	28	3	4	18
INTEREST RATES	49	27	3	4	17
TAXATION	44	32	3	4	17
INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS	31	47	4	3	15
DEFENCE	46	29	4	4	17
UNEMPLOYMENT	40	37	4	3	16
INFLATION	49	28	3	3	17
WOMEN'S ISSUES (among females)	23 (25)	39 (33)	9 (9)	5 (5)	24 (28)
IMMIGRATION	37	33	8	4	18
ABORIGINAL AND NATIVE TITLE ISSUES	23	39	12	5	21

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	34	31	34	34	33	33
LABOR PARTY	41	42	41	41	45	45
SOMEONE ELSE	5	5	6	5	3	4
NONE	3	4	3	3	4	2
UNCOMMITTED	17	18	16	17	15	16

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **WATER PLANNING?**

	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	33	29
LABOR PARTY	34	36
SOMEONE ELSE	9	10
NONE	4	6
UNCOMMITTED	20	19

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **EDUCATION?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	33	31	35	34	27	28
LABOR PARTY	37	41	39	38	49	50
SOMEONE ELSE	6	5	7	6	3	4
NONE	3	4	3	3	3	3
UNCOMMITTED	21	19	16	19	18	15

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	28	NA	24	25
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	28	NA	41	39
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	26	NA	15	17
NONE	NA	NA	3	NA	4	3
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	15	NA	16	16

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **THE ECONOMY?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	57	55	61	54	51	51
LABOR PARTY	21	23	20	22	29	30
SOMEONE ELSE	4	3	4	4	3	2
NONE	2	3	2	3	3	3
UNCOMMITTED	16	16	13	17	14	14

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **WELFARE AND SOCIAL ISSUES?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	32	30	34	30	28	28
LABOR PARTY	44	46	45	43	51	49
SOMEONE ELSE	5	4	6	7	4	5
NONE	3	3	2	2	3	3
UNCOMMITTED	16	17	13	18	14	15

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	34	NA	NA	28
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	41	NA	NA	46
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	8	NA	NA	7
NONE	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	3
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	14	NA	NA	16

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **NATIONAL SECURITY?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	52	51	56	52	44	47
LABOR PARTY	21	22	21	21	31	28
SOMEONE ELSE	4	4	5	4	4	3
NONE	4	3	3	4	3	4
UNCOMMITTED	19	20	15	19	18	18

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **INTEREST RATES?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	56	NA	NA	49
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	23	NA	NA	27
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	4	NA	NA	3
NONE	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	4
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	15	NA	NA	17

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	46	NA	NA	44
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	31	NA	NA	32
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	5	NA	NA	3
NONE	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	4
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	16	NA	NA	17

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	26	28	29	28	27	31
LABOR PARTY	50	47	48	49	51	47
SOMEONE ELSE	5	4	6	3	4	4
NONE	2	3	2	3	3	3
UNCOMMITTED	17	18	15	17	15	15

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **DEFENCE?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	54	NA	NA	46
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	24	NA	NA	29
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	5	NA	NA	4
NONE	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	4
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	15	NA	NA	17

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	44	NA	NA	40
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	35	NA	NA	37
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	6	NA	NA	4
NONE	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	3
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	13	NA	NA	16

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **INFLATION?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	57	NA	NA	49
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	20	NA	NA	28
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	4	NA	NA	3
NONE	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	3
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	16	NA	NA	17

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **WOMEN'S ISSUES?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	29	NA	NA	23
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	36	NA	NA	39
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	12	NA	NA	9
NONE	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	5
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	20	NA	NA	24

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	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	43	NA	NA	37
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	30	NA	NA	33
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	8	NA	NA	8
NONE	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	4
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	16	NA	NA	18

WHICH ONE OF THE (LABOR PARTY, LIBERAL AND NATIONALS COALITION OR SOMEONE ELSE) DO YOU THINK WOULD BEST HANDLE THE ISSUE OF **ABORIGINAL AND NATIVE TITLE ISSUES?**

	<u>OCT</u> <u>2005</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>OCT</u> <u>2006</u> %	<u>FEB</u> <u>2007</u> %	<u>JUN</u> <u>2007</u> %
LIBERAL/NATIONALS COALITION	NA	NA	27	NA	NA	23
LABOR PARTY	NA	NA	32	NA	NA	39
SOMEONE ELSE	NA	NA	16	NA	NA	12
NONE	NA	NA	5	NA	NA	5
UNCOMMITTED	NA	NA	20	NA	NA	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 15-17 June 2007 and is based on 1,164 interviews among electors. The maximum margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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