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Over three-quarters of Victorians (76%) agree that an employed worker in Victoria is not allowed to enter their employer's workplace unless fully vaccinated

A special Victorian Roy Morgan SMS Poll shows a large majority of 76% of Victorians agree that an employed worker in Victoria is not allowed to enter their employer's workplace unless fully vaccinated compared to only 24% that disagree.

Agreement with this policy is consistently strong across Gender, Age and Location although there are significant political differences. An almost unanimous 96% of ALP supporters agree with the policy compared to 91.5% of Greens supporters but only 55% of L-NP supporters and just 4% of supporters of Clive Palmer's United Australia Party (UAP).

Support for the ALP on a two-party preferred basis increased to 59.5%

The ALP has increased its two-party preferred lead to almost 20% points. The ALP is now on 59.5% (up 1.5% points since mid-November 2021) compared to the L-NP on 40.5% (down 1.5% points).

Support for the ALP is strongest amongst women with the ALP 62.5% cf. L-NP 37.5% while there is a tighter result for men although the ALP is still well ahead: ALP 55.5% cf. L-NP 44.5%.

The ALP's lead is stronger in Melbourne: ALP 61.5% cf. L-NP 38.5% than Country Victoria: ALP 53.5% cf. L-NP 46.5%.

Approval for Premier Daniel Andrews increases despite recent street protests

The Roy Morgan survey found 63.5% of Victorian electors now approve of the way Premier Daniel Andrews is handling his job, up 3% points from mid-November 2021 while a minority of 36.5%, down 3% points disapprove of his handling of the job.

Primary support for the ALP increases at the expense of the L-NP

Primary support for the ALP is now at 45%, up 2% points from mid-November 2021 and is even further ahead of the L-NP, down 2% points to 29%. Support for the Greens was down 0.5% points to 10.5%.

Support for the minor parties is largely unchanged from mid-November with total support at 15.5%, up 0.5% points. Support is highest for Clive Palmer's United Australia Party on 4% (up 1% points) ahead of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party unchanged on 2% while an unchanged 3.5% of people support other parties. Support for independents is at 6%, down 0.5% points from mid-November.

Michele Levine, CEO Roy Morgan, says the latest Roy Morgan Poll shows strong support for the Victorian Government's stringent health policies regarding fully vaccinated employees:

"A clear majority of 76% of Victorians have endorsed the Victorian Government's tough policies requiring employed workers to be fully vaccinated if they are to be allowed to enter their employer's workplace. A minority of only 24% disagree with the policy.

"The strong support for the policy is echoed across different demographic groups with 78% of Victorians aged under 35, 72% of those aged 35-49, 76% of those aged 50-64 and an even higher 79% of those aged 65+ agreeing. There is also no 'Gender Gap' on this question with 76% of both men and women agreeing.

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"However, there are significant differences based on party support. A near unanimous 96% of ALP supporters agree with the policy and almost as many Greens supporters (91.5%), however from there support drops off significantly.

"Only 55% of L-NP supporters agree employees must be fully vaccinated to enter their employer's place of work and just 4% of the supporters of the Clive Palmer's United Australia Party agree.

"There is more good news for Premier Daniel Andrews and the ALP Government with the approval rating for Premier Andrews increasing over the last two weeks – up 3% points to 63.5%, and the two-party preferred result also moving further in the ALP's favour. The Victorian ALP now leads the L-NP by nearly 20% points on two-party preferred basis: ALP 59.5% cf. L-NP 40.5%.

"The Victorian State Election is due in the corresponding week in exactly one year and these latest results show that the Andrews Government is the firm favourite to be elected to a third term in office while Opposition Leader Matthew Guy and the Liberal Party have a lot of ground to make up."

This special Roy Morgan SMS survey was conducted with a Victoria-wide cross-section of 1,335 Victorians aged 18+ conducted on Wednesday November 24, 2021 including 1,105 Victorian electors.

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Question 1:

If a State Election for Victoria were being held today, which party would receive your first preference?"

Victorian Primary Voting Intention. By Gender & Region

PRIMARY VOTE	Victorian Electors 18+						Gender		Region	
	2018 Vic Election	Sep 2020	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Nov 11, 2021	Nov 24, 2021	Men	Women	Melbourne	Country Areas
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	42.9	39	40	45	43	45	42	47	46.5	41
Liberal	30.4	37	36	30.5	28	27	32	22.5	27	27
National	4.8	2.5	4	4	3	2	2	2	0.5	5.5
L-NP	35.2	39.5	40	34.5	31	29	34	24.5	27.5	32.5
Greens	10.7	10	9	11	11	10.5	9.5	11.5	12.5	6
Total Others	10.2	11.5	11	9.5	15	15.5	14.5	17	13.5	20.5
UAP	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	4	4.5	4	4	4.5
Justice Party	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	2	2	2	1.5	3
Others	5.1	6	6	5	3.5	3.5	2.5	5	3	5
Ind.	6.1	5.5	5	4.5	6.5	6	5.5	6	5	8
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Victorian Two-Party Preferred Voting Intention. By Gender & Region

2PP	Victorian Electors 18+						Gender		Region	
	2018 Vic Election	Sep 2020	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Nov 11, 2021	Nov 24, 2021	Men	Women	Melbourne	Country Areas
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ALP	57.3	51.5	51.5	58.5	58	59.5	55.5	62.5	61.5	53.5
L-NP	42.7	48.5	48.5	41.5	42	40.5	44.5	37.5	38.5	46.5
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100



Question 2:

Do you APPROVE or DISAPPROVE of the way Mr. Daniel Andrews is handling his job as Premier of Victoria? By Gender & Age

	Victorians 18+						Gender		Age			
	<u>Sep 8-9, 2020</u>	<u>Sep 28-29, 2020</u>	<u>Oct 2020</u>	<u>Nov 2020</u>	<u>Nov 11, 2021</u>	<u>Nov 24, 2021</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Under 35</u>	<u>35-49</u>	<u>50-64</u>	<u>65+</u>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Approve	70	61	59	71	60.5	63.5	59	67.5	71.5	60	62.5	57.5
Disapprove	30	39	41	29	39.5	36.5	41	32.5	28.5	40	37.5	42.5
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

By Melbourne & Country Victoria

	Victorians 18+	Melbourne	Country Victoria
	%	%	%
Approve	63.5	65.5	57
Disapprove	36.5	34.5	43
TOTAL	100	100	100

By State Vote

	Victorian Electors	Party Vote						
		<u>ALP</u>	<u>L-NP</u>	<u>Greens</u>	<u>UAP (Palmer)</u>	<u>Justice (Hinch)</u>	<u>Ind/Others</u>	<u>Can't say</u>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Approve	63.5	96.5	12	87.5	2.5	34	44.5	57
Disapprove	36.5	3.5	88	12.5	97.5	66	55.5	43
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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Question 3:

An employed worker in Victoria is not allowed to enter their employer's workplace unless fully vaccinated. Do you **AGREE** or **DISAGREE** with this Victorian Government Health Policy?

	Victorians 18+ Nov 24, 2021 %	Gender		Age			
		Men %	Women %	Under 35 %	35-49 %	50-64 %	65+ %
Agree	76	76	76	78	72	76	79
Disagree	24	24	24	22	28	24	21
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

By Melbourne & Country Victoria

	Victorians 18+ %	Melbourne	Country Victoria
		%	%
Agree	76	78	69
Disagree	24	22	31
TOTAL	100	100	100

By State Vote

	Victorian Electors %	Party Vote						
		ALP	L-NP	Greens	UAP (Palmer)	Justice (Hinch)	Ind/Others	Can't say
Agree	77	96	55	91.5	4	69	51.5	69.5
Disagree	23	4	45	8.5	96	31	48.5	30.5
TOTAL	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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

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