

SOVEREIGN CAPABILITY POLL



March 2022

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This poll of 1,007 Australians was commissioned by the Institute of Public Affairs. Data for this poll was collected by marketing research firm Dynata between 4-6 March 2022. and rounded to the closest whole number.

Summary

With Russia's invasion of Ukraine and China's growing assertiveness in the Asia/Pacific region, how important is it to you that Australia can manufacture its own vital supplies?	
Not important	3%
Somewhat important	25%
Very important	72%

Did it concern you that Australia was unable to source critical supplies such as masks and rapid antigen tests during the COVID pandemic because they were manufactured overseas?	
Yes	78%
No	22%

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Column %	AGE GROUPS					
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Not important	3%	4%	5%	4%	1%	2%
Somewhat important	44%	34%	25%	21%	17%	13%
Very important	52%	62%	70%	75%	82%	86%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	117	178	194	183	153	182

Did it concern you that Australia was unable to source critical supplies such as masks and rapid antigen tests during the COVID pandemic because they were manufactured overseas?

Column %	AGE GROUPS					
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Yes	73%	75%	82%	78%	78%	82%
No	27%	25%	18%	22%	22%	18%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Are you...?

	AGE GROUPS					
Column %	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Male	23%	27%	37%	51%	75%	77%
Female	77%	73%	63%	49%	25%	23%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Location

	AGE GROUPS					
Column %	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Metro	73%	76%	75%	74%	71%	63%
Regional	27%	24%	25%	26%	29%	37%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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What is your annual gross (i.e. before tax) household income range?

	AGE GROUPS					
Column %	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Less than \$15,000 AUD	13%	4%	4%	2%	3%	2%
\$15,000 to \$29,999 AUD	7%	11%	7%	15%	14%	22%
\$30,000 to \$44,999 AUD	8%	6%	6%	9%	11%	27%
\$45,000 to \$59,999 AUD	8%	11%	9%	13%	13%	12%
\$60,000 to \$74,999 AUD	11%	10%	10%	11%	10%	10%
\$75,000 to \$99,999 AUD	12%	16%	16%	13%	12%	13%
\$100,000 to \$149,999 AUD	16%	19%	21%	15%	15%	6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999 AUD	12%	13%	12%	9%	5%	2%
\$200,000 to \$499,999 AUD	3%	2%	7%	3%	7%	0%
\$500,000 to \$999,999 AUD	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
\$1 million + AUD	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Prefer not to answer	9%	8%	8%	11%	8%	6%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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What is your annual gross (i.e. before tax) personal income range?

Column %	AGE GROUPS					
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Less than \$15,000 AUD	32%	18%	14%	10%	13%	8%
\$15,000 to \$29,999 AUD	14%	19%	12%	19%	22%	41%
\$30,000 to \$44,999 AUD	12%	11%	9%	16%	8%	20%
\$45,000 to \$59,999 AUD	9%	12%	11%	11%	7%	8%
\$60,000 to \$74,999 AUD	9%	11%	12%	9%	8%	5%
\$75,000 to \$99,999 AUD	7%	8%	16%	11%	14%	5%
\$100,000 to \$149,999 AUD	5%	6%	12%	10%	11%	4%
\$150,000 to \$199,999 AUD	0%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%
\$200,000 to \$499,999 AUD	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%
\$500,000 to \$999,999 AUD	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
\$1 million + AUD	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Prefer not to answer	12%	12%	8%	11%	11%	7%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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How would you describe your current living arrangements?

Column %	AGE GROUPS					
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Living with parents	53%	19%	8%	8%	3%	0%
Living on my own or with housemates/boarders	21%	19%	19%	23%	20%	18%
Living with a partner/spouse, never had kids	20%	22%	12%	11%	16%	3%
Parent/guardian, with the youngest child aged under 3 years living with me	2%	19%	9%	0%	1%	0%
Parent/guardian, with the youngest child aged 3-12 years living with me	3%	18%	35%	15%	1%	1%
Parent/guardian, with the youngest child aged 13-18 years living with me	1%	1%	12%	20%	3%	1%
Parent/guardian, with the youngest child aged 19 years and above living with me	1%	1%	2%	14%	13%	8%
Retirement village	0%	0%	0%	1%	12%	38%
Parent/guardian, with children aged 19 years and above who have left home / Empty Nesters	1%	0%	1%	7%	29%	30%
Other (please specify)	0%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Which of the following best describes your employment status?

Column %	AGE GROUPS					
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Full-time (30 or more hours per week)	32%	41%	55%	39%	29%	5%
Part-time	23%	15%	18%	20%	12%	5%
Contract, Freelance or Temp Emp.	2%	4%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Full-time Student	18%	6%	2%	1%	0%	0%
Part-time Student (working MORE than 30 hours per week)	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Part-time Student (working LESS than 30 hours per week)	3%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Homemaker	0%	8%	8%	7%	2%	3%
Self-employed	3%	3%	2%	4%	6%	3%
Stay-at-Home Parent	2%	7%	2%	2%	1%	0%
Retired	0%	0%	1%	7%	33%	81%
Semi-retired	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%
Unemployed	12%	15%	11%	15%	11%	2%
None of the above	3%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%
NET	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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