

IPA POLL

AUSTRALIANS SAY DITCH DIVISIVE WELCOME TO COUNTRY PERFORMANCES

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Australians say ditch divisive welcome to country performances

This poll of 1,005 Australians was commissioned by the Institute of Public Affairs. Data for this poll was collected by independent research firm Dynata between 16 May and 18 May 2025.

QUESTION 1:

Do you feel that Aboriginal Welcome to Country ceremonies have become divisive										
	TOTAL	GENDER			AGE GROUPS					
		Male	Female	Other	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total Agree	56%	58%	53%	50%	48%	48%	50%	59%	63%	65%
Unsure	27%	25%	30%	0%	30%	37%	31%	24%	21%	20%
Total Disagree	17%	17%	17%	50%	22%	15%	19%	17%	16%	15%

QUESTION 2:

Aboriginal Welcome to Country ceremonies should no longer be performed before sporting matches										
	TOTAL	GENDER			AGE GROUPS					
		Male	Female	Other	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total Agree	49%	56%	42%	0%	40%	38%	45%	47%	58%	65%
Unsure	21%	19%	23%	50%	19%	21%	24%	25%	19%	16%
Total Disagree	30%	25%	35%	50%	41%	41%	31%	28%	23%	19%

QUESTION 3:

Aboriginal Welcome to Country ceremonies should no longer be performed at ANZAC Day services										
	TOTAL	GENDER			AGE GROUPS					
		Male	Female	Other	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total Agree	46%	52%	42%	0%	41%	42%	37%	45%	59%	56%
Unsure	20%	17%	21%	0%	17%	20%	22%	23%	16%	18%
Total Disagree	34%	31%	37%	100%	42%	38%	41%	32%	25%	26%

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