

FINAL RESULTS

ReachTEL conducted a survey of 714 residents across the Federal electorate of Hunter during the evening of 15th and 16th of September 2017.

Question 1:

If a Federal election were to be held today which of the following would receive your first preference vote?

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>18 – 34</i>	<i>35 – 50</i>	<i>51 – 65</i>	<i>65+</i>
<i>Labor</i>	38.6%	39.7%	37.5%	37.2%	38.9%	39.8%	38.7%
<i>The Nationals</i>	17.9%	18.1%	17.7%	16.4%	19.0%	15.3%	22.7%
<i>The Greens</i>	6.0%	5.0%	7.0%	5.8%	5.7%	8.0%	4.2%
<i>One Nation</i>	15.0%	14.2%	15.8%	18.4%	11.8%	15.3%	14.3%
<i>Other / Independent</i>	8.1%	6.7%	9.6%	5.3%	11.4%	8.0%	6.7%
<i>Undecided</i>	14.4%	16.4%	12.4%	16.9%	13.3%	13.6%	13.4%

Two party preferred result based on respondent allocated preferences from Question 1b and undecided allocation from Question 1a

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	60%
<i>The Nationals</i>	40%



Question 1a:

Being undecided to which do you have even a slight leaning?

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	<i>38.2%</i>
<i>The Nationals</i>	<i>27.5%</i>
<i>The Greens</i>	<i>8.8%</i>
<i>One Nation</i>	<i>5.9%</i>
<i>Other / Independent</i>	<i>19.6%</i>

Note: Only respondents who answered 'Undecided' to Question 1 were asked Question 1a

Question 1b:

Which of the following parties would you preference higher?

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	<i>41.7%</i>
<i>The Nationals</i>	<i>58.3%</i>

Note: Respondents who answered 'Labor' or 'Nationals' to Question 1 were excluded from Question 1b.



Question 2:

Energy company AGL has announced that in 2022 it will be closing its Liddell coal-fired power station in the Hunter Valley in NSW, because it is 50 years old, and it plans to replace it with a mixture of renewable energy. Do you support AGL's decision, or should it be forced to keep the coal power station open or sell it?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Support AGL's Decision	48.9%	46.5%	51.4%	61.7%	41.2%	47.2%	42.9%
Government should force AGL to keep it Open or Sell	39.1%	35.4%	42.9%	27.3%	42.2%	44.3%	46.2%
Don't know / Unsure	11.9%	18.1%	5.6%	11.0%	16.6%	8.5%	10.9%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Support AGL's Decision	48.9%	67.6%	28.9%	88.4%	23.4%	42.1%	38.8%
Government should force AGL to keep it Open or Sell	39.1%	23.6%	58.6%	4.7%	72.0%	52.6%	28.2%
Don't know / Unsure	11.9%	8.7%	12.5%	7.0%	4.7%	5.3%	33.0%



Question 3:

Which would you prefer the government to invest in, coal or renewables?

	Total	Female	Male	18 – 34	35 – 50	51 – 65	65+
Coal	31.9%	27.3%	36.6%	27.3%	36.6%	27.3%	36.6%
Renewables	61.3%	63.2%	59.4%	63.2%	59.4%	63.2%	59.4%
Don't know / Unsure	6.7%	9.5%	3.9%	9.5%	3.9%	9.5%	3.9%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Coal	31.9%	19.3%	42.2%	9.3%	60.7%	48.3%	22.5%
Renewables	61.3%	73.8%	50.0%	90.7%	34.6%	48.3%	65.7%
Don't know / Unsure	6.7%	6.9%	7.8%	0.0%	4.7%	3.4%	11.8%



Question 4:

Thinking about the issue of energy prices and energy security, do you think that the Turnbull government should focus on...?

	Total	Female	Male	18 – 34	35 – 50	51 – 65	65+
<i>Lengthening the life of coal fired power stations to delay their closure</i>	11.4%	11.7%	11.0%	14.8%	6.6%	12.4%	12.6%
<i>Building brand new coal-fired power stations</i>	21.2%	17.3%	25.1%	12.9%	24.2%	26.0%	22.7%
<i>Investing in renewable energy or gas fired energy</i>	45.4%	47.5%	43.4%	55.0%	42.7%	40.7%	39.5%
<i>Avoid the need for new power stations by reducing energy use at times of peak demand with a system of incentives for consumers</i>	15.7%	13.1%	18.3%	12.0%	20.4%	15.8%	15.1%
<i>Don't know/Not sure</i>	6.3%	10.3%	2.3%	5.3%	6.2%	5.1%	10.1%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
<i>Lengthening the life of coal fired power stations to delay their closure</i>	11.4%	8.0%	21.9%	0.0%	13.1%	8.8%	11.7%
<i>Building brand new coal-fired power stations</i>	21.2%	12.0%	25.8%	0.0%	43.0%	43.9%	13.6%
<i>Investing in renewable energy or gas fired energy</i>	45.4%	57.2%	35.2%	55.8%	30.8%	35.1%	43.7%
<i>Avoid the need for new power stations by reducing energy use at times of peak demand with a system of incentives for consumers</i>	15.7%	14.9%	14.1%	39.5%	11.2%	10.5%	16.5%
<i>Don't know/Not sure</i>	6.3%	8.0%	3.1%	4.7%	1.9%	1.8%	14.6%



Question 5:

Of the following options, who do you think is most responsible for the current uncertainty in the energy policy?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>The Energy Regulators</i>	6.9%	6.7%	7.0%	5.8%	8.1%	8.0%	5.0%
<i>Energy Companies</i>	12.2%	10.6%	13.8%	14.9%	8.6%	14.8%	10.1%
<i>The Federal Coalition Government</i>	28.7%	18.9%	38.6%	21.6%	30.0%	32.4%	32.8%
<i>Federal Opposition</i>	16.8%	18.7%	14.9%	23.6%	13.3%	13.1%	17.6%
<i>State Governments</i>	9.1%	9.5%	8.7%	3.4%	9.0%	14.8%	10.9%
<i>Other</i>	4.2%	5.3%	3.1%	5.3%	3.8%	3.4%	3.4%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	22.1%	30.4%	13.8%	25.5%	27.1%	13.6%	20.2%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
<i>The Energy Regulators</i>	6.9%	5.8%	10.2%	7.0%	5.6%	5.4%	6.9%
<i>Energy Companies</i>	12.2%	12.3%	7.0%	4.7%	14.8%	23.2%	12.7%
<i>The Federal Coalition Government</i>	28.7%	38.8%	14.1%	67.4%	22.2%	16.1%	17.6%
<i>Federal Opposition</i>	16.8%	9.8%	37.5%	0.0%	22.2%	16.1%	10.8%
<i>State Governments</i>	9.1%	7.2%	6.3%	0.0%	18.5%	17.9%	6.9%
<i>Other</i>	4.2%	2.5%	6.3%	2.3%	7.4%	0.0%	5.9%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	22.1%	23.6%	18.8%	18.6%	9.3%	21.4%	39.2%



Question 6:

A Clean Energy Target would require electricity suppliers to source a certain proportion of their power from renewables or other low emission sources, with the aim of reducing emissions.

Do you think the Turnbull government should introduce a Clean Energy Target?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Yes	66.7%	63.3%	70.1%	71.2%	65.9%	64.4%	63.6%
No	20.1%	16.7%	23.7%	21.6%	13.7%	24.3%	22.9%
Don't know/Not sure	13.1%	20.0%	6.2%	7.2%	20.4%	11.3%	13.6%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Yes	66.7%	82.6%	56.3%	90.7%	37.4%	59.6%	61.8%
No	20.1%	6.5%	28.1%	0.0%	54.2%	35.1%	11.8%
Don't know/Not sure	13.1%	10.9%	15.6%	9.3%	8.4%	5.3%	26.5%



Question 7:

The current renewable energy target will achieve around 23% of electricity from renewables by 2020.

If there is a new Clean Energy Target **for 2030**, how much renewable energy should be built under that target, as a share of all electricity generation?

Please select one response only

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
25 Percent	21.0%	15.6%	26.6%	26.4%	14.7%	24.0%	19.2%
40 Percent	12.9%	11.9%	13.8%	7.2%	16.1%	15.4%	13.3%
50 Percent	17.2%	14.2%	20.3%	13.5%	20.4%	18.3%	16.7%
75 Percent	12.5%	12.2%	12.7%	11.1%	13.7%	14.9%	9.2%
90 Percent	5.6%	6.7%	4.5%	5.3%	5.7%	5.1%	5.8%
100 Percent	9.9%	11.7%	8.2%	16.8%	5.2%	8.6%	8.3%
Don't know / Unsure	20.9%	27.8%	13.8%	19.7%	24.2%	13.7%	27.5%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
25 Percent	21.0%	13.8%	29.1%	0.0%	38.9%	26.3%	17.5%
40 Percent	12.9%	9.5%	26.0%	7.0%	8.3%	17.5%	9.7%
50 Percent	17.2%	17.5%	17.3%	32.6%	10.2%	22.8%	14.6%
75 Percent	12.5%	16.4%	7.9%	11.6%	11.1%	19.3%	5.8%
90 Percent	5.6%	8.0%	.8%	7.0%	2.8%	1.8%	9.7%
100 Percent	9.9%	11.3%	5.5%	30.2%	10.2%	5.3%	5.8%
Don't know / Unsure	20.9%	23.6%	13.4%	11.6%	18.5%	7.0%	36.9%



Question 8:

Which of the following do you think is cheaper to produce – renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind etc.) or coal-fired power?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Renewable energy	47.8%	49.3%	46.2%	54.3%	47.4%	43.2%	42.9%
Coal-fired power	38.7%	35.4%	42.0%	36.5%	36.0%	44.9%	38.7%
Don't know/Not sure	13.6%	15.3%	11.8%	9.1%	16.6%	11.9%	18.5%

	Total	Labor	Nationals	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Renewable energy	47.8%	64.0%	39.5%	81.4%	31.8%	24.1%	30.4%
Coal-fired power	38.7%	23.6%	46.5%	16.3%	62.6%	70.7%	36.3%
Don't know/Not sure	13.6%	12.4%	14.0%	2.3%	5.6%	5.2%	33.3%

This survey was conducted using an automated telephone based survey system among 714 voters. The data has been weighted to reflect the population age and gender distribution as provided by the ABS. Telephone numbers and the person within the household were selected at random. Copyright ReachTEL Pty Ltd.



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ReachTEL conducted a survey of 643 residents across the Federal electorate of Shortland during the evening of 15th and 16th of September 2017.

Question 1:

If a Federal election were to be held today which of the following would receive your first preference vote?

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>18 – 34</i>	<i>35 – 50</i>	<i>51 – 65</i>	<i>65+</i>
<i>Labor</i>	41.5%	44.3%	38.4%	38.4%	43.0%	46.8%	38.2%
<i>Liberal</i>	24.0%	17.0%	31.6%	16.3%	20.0%	22.3%	37.1%
<i>The Greens</i>	7.8%	9.8%	5.6%	16.3%	9.0%	3.2%	2.2%
<i>One Nation</i>	14.0%	12.4%	15.8%	8.1%	16.0%	16.0%	15.7%
<i>Other / Independent</i>	5.9%	7.7%	4.0%	8.1%	6.0%	6.4%	3.4%
<i>Undecided</i>	6.7%	8.8%	4.5%	12.8%	6.0%	5.3%	3.4%

Two party preferred result based on respondent allocated preferences from Question 1b and undecided allocation from Question 1a

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	58%
<i>Liberal</i>	42%



Question 1a:

Being undecided to which do you have even a slight leaning?

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	<i>48.0%</i>
<i>Liberal</i>	<i>36.0%</i>
<i>The Greens</i>	<i>0.0%</i>
<i>One Nation</i>	<i>4.0%</i>
<i>Other / Independent</i>	<i>12.0%</i>

Note: Only respondents who answered 'Undecided' to Question 1 were asked Question 1a

Question 1b:

Which of the following parties would you preference higher?

	<i>Total</i>
<i>Labor</i>	<i>46.3%</i>
<i>Liberal</i>	<i>53.7%</i>

Note: Respondents who answered 'Liberal National' or 'Labor' to Question 1 were excluded from Question 1b.



Question 2:

Energy company AGL has announced that in 2022 it will be closing its Liddell coal-fired power station in the Hunter Valley in NSW, because it is 50 years old, and it plans to replace it with a mixture of renewable energy. Do you support AGL's decision, or should it be forced to keep the coal power station open or sell it?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Support AGL's Decision	46.1%	46.2%	46.1%	70.9%	49.0%	33.7%	33.7%
Government should force AGL to keep it Open or Sell	43.2%	38.5%	48.3%	20.9%	38.0%	57.9%	55.1%
Don't know / Unsure	10.7%	15.4%	5.6%	8.1%	13.0%	8.4%	11.2%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Support AGL's Decision	46.1%	59.4%	14.8%	89.7%	20.8%	59.1%	68.0%
Government should force AGL to keep it Open or Sell	43.2%	29.7%	72.7%	3.4%	69.8%	31.8%	24.0%
Don't know / Unsure	10.7%	11.0%	12.5%	6.9%	9.4%	9.1%	8.0%



Question 3:

Which do you prefer the government to invest in, coal or renewables?

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>18 – 34</i>	<i>35 – 50</i>	<i>51 – 65</i>	<i>65+</i>
<i>Coal</i>	35.5%	27.8%	43.8%	20.7%	27.7%	46.3%	47.2%
<i>Renewables</i>	57.0%	61.9%	51.7%	79.3%	67.3%	41.1%	40.4%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	7.5%	10.3%	4.5%	0.0%	5.0%	12.6%	12.4%

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Labor</i>	<i>Liberal</i>	<i>Greens</i>	<i>One Nation</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Undecided</i>
<i>Coal</i>	35.5%	22.1%	58.4%	0.0%	52.8%	45.5%	30.8%
<i>Renewables</i>	57.0%	71.4%	33.7%	100.0%	32.1%	45.5%	65.4%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	7.5%	6.5%	7.9%	0.0%	15.1%	9.1%	3.8%



Question 4:

Thinking about the issue of energy prices and energy security, do you think that the Turnbull government should focus on...?

	Total	Female	Male	18 – 34	35 – 50	51 – 65	65+
<i>Lengthening the life of coal fired power stations to delay their closure</i>	12.1%	11.3%	12.9%	4.6%	12.9%	13.7%	16.9%
<i>Building brand new coal-fired power stations</i>	22.8%	17.9%	28.1%	20.7%	14.9%	26.3%	30.3%
<i>Investing in renewable energy or gas fired energy</i>	41.3%	42.1%	40.4%	41.4%	56.4%	35.8%	30.3%
<i>Avoid the need for new power stations by reducing energy use at times of peak demand with a system of incentives for consumers</i>	15.5%	15.9%	15.2%	25.3%	12.9%	14.7%	11.2%
<i>Don't know/Not sure</i>	8.3%	12.8%	3.4%	8.0%	3.0%	9.5%	11.2%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
<i>Lengthening the life of coal fired power stations to delay their closure</i>	12.1%	10.4%	17.2%	0.0%	9.4%	18.2%	16.0%
<i>Building brand new coal-fired power stations</i>	22.8%	11.0%	42.5%	0.0%	43.4%	27.3%	8.0%
<i>Investing in renewable energy or gas fired energy</i>	41.3%	52.6%	26.4%	57.1%	20.8%	54.5%	40.0%
<i>Avoid the need for new power stations by reducing energy use at times of peak demand with a system of incentives for consumers</i>	15.5%	16.2%	10.3%	35.7%	20.8%	0.0%	12.0%
<i>Don't know/Not sure</i>	8.3%	9.7%	3.4%	7.1%	5.7%	0.0%	24.0%



Question 5:

Of the following options, who do you think is most responsible for the current uncertainty in the energy policy?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>The Energy Regulators</i>	10.8%	12.9%	8.5%	8.0%	13.9%	12.6%	6.7%
<i>Energy Companies</i>	13.2%	10.8%	15.8%	12.6%	17.8%	8.4%	13.5%
<i>The Federal Coalition Government</i>	30.7%	28.4%	33.3%	33.3%	25.7%	36.8%	27.0%
<i>Federal Opposition</i>	12.4%	6.7%	18.6%	4.6%	11.9%	14.7%	18.0%
<i>State Governments</i>	7.0%	7.2%	6.8%	8.0%	9.9%	2.1%	7.9%
<i>Other</i>	3.2%	3.1%	3.4%	0.0%	3.0%	5.3%	5.6%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	22.6%	30.9%	13.6%	33.3%	17.8%	20.0%	21.3%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
<i>The Energy Regulators</i>	10.8%	5.8%	16.9%	13.8%	13.5%	16.7%	0.0%
<i>Energy Companies</i>	13.2%	14.3%	12.4%	3.4%	11.5%	16.7%	20.0%
<i>The Federal Coalition Government</i>	30.7%	44.2%	28.1%	31.0%	7.7%	20.8%	16.0%
<i>Federal Opposition</i>	12.4%	3.2%	23.6%	0.0%	32.7%	12.5%	0.0%
<i>State Governments</i>	7.0%	5.8%	5.6%	0.0%	15.4%	16.7%	0.0%
<i>Other</i>	3.2%	3.9%	0.0%	10.3%	3.8%	8.3%	0.0%
<i>Don't know / Unsure</i>	22.6%	22.7%	13.5%	41.4%	15.4%	8.3%	64.0%



Question 6:

A Clean Energy Target would require electricity suppliers to source a certain proportion of their power from renewables or other low emission sources, with the aim of reducing emissions.

Do you think the Turnbull government should introduce a Clean Energy Target?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Yes	57.5%	60.8%	53.9%	54.0%	64.4%	52.6%	58.4%
No	25.3%	14.4%	37.1%	25.3%	19.8%	31.6%	24.7%
Don't know/Not sure	17.2%	24.7%	9.0%	20.7%	15.8%	15.8%	16.9%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Yes	57.5%	69.5%	50.6%	93.1%	25.0%	47.6%	48.0%
No	25.3%	10.4%	33.7%	0.0%	55.8%	52.4%	24.0%
Don't know/Not sure	17.2%	20.1%	15.7%	6.9%	19.2%	0.0%	28.0%



Question 7:

The current renewable energy target will achieve around 23% of electricity from renewables by 2020.

If there is a new Clean Energy Target **for 2030**, how much renewable energy should be built under that target, as a share of all electricity generation?

Please select one response only

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
25 Percent	22.1%	15.5%	29.2%	12.6%	26.7%	27.7%	21.1%
40 Percent	15.1%	13.5%	16.9%	16.1%	18.8%	11.7%	14.4%
50 Percent	20.5%	18.7%	22.5%	25.3%	16.8%	24.5%	15.6%
75 Percent	10.0%	10.9%	9.0%	16.1%	8.9%	8.5%	6.7%
90 Percent	6.5%	10.4%	2.2%	12.6%	7.9%	2.1%	3.3%
100 Percent	7.5%	5.2%	10.1%	4.6%	10.9%	8.5%	5.6%
Don't know / Unsure	18.3%	25.9%	10.1%	12.6%	9.9%	17.0%	33.3%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
25 Percent	22.1%	8.4%	37.1%	0.0%	43.4%	31.8%	28.0%
40 Percent	15.1%	18.7%	15.7%	21.4%	3.8%	18.2%	8.0%
50 Percent	20.5%	22.6%	23.6%	0.0%	17.0%	36.4%	12.0%
75 Percent	10.0%	11.6%	6.7%	25.0%	0.0%	4.5%	20.0%
90 Percent	6.5%	7.1%	0.0%	17.9%	3.8%	0.0%	20.0%
100 Percent	7.5%	9.7%	2.2%	25.0%	0.0%	9.1%	8.0%
Don't know / Unsure	18.3%	21.9%	14.6%	10.7%	32.1%	0.0%	4.0%



Question 8:

Which of the following do you think is cheaper to produce – renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind etc.) or coal-fired power?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Renewable energy	46.8%	50.5%	42.7%	50.0%	56.9%	37.9%	41.1%
Coal-fired power	39.5%	31.4%	48.3%	37.2%	29.4%	48.4%	43.3%
Don't know/Not sure	13.7%	18.0%	9.0%	12.8%	13.7%	13.7%	15.6%

	Total	Labor	Liberal	Greens	One Nation	Other	Undecided
Renewable energy	46.8%	57.8%	33.0%	58.6%	21.2%	40.9%	75.0%
Coal-fired power	39.5%	30.5%	55.7%	31.0%	59.6%	36.4%	8.3%
Don't know/Not sure	13.7%	11.7%	11.4%	10.3%	19.2%	22.7%	16.7%

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