Poll Report

uComms conducted a survey of 1281 members across the Federal Seat of Farrer on behalf of The Australia Institute during the evening of 5th - 6th March 2026 using a self-completed and open-ended automated SMS and Voice polling methodology

Question 1

Following the resignation of Liberal MP Sussan Ley, there will be a by-election in the seat of Farrer in the coming weeks. If this Federal by-election were held today, who would receive your first preference vote?

	18 to 34	35 to 50	51 to 65	Above 65	Totals
The Liberal Party	11.8%	10%	12.5%	22.2%	19.1%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	10.3%	23.5%	21.3%	25.2%	23.3%
The Greens	13.3%	8%	5.5%	1.9%	3.9%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	37.7%	34.4%	36.4%	25.7%	28.7%
The Nationals	1.8%	2.5%	5.2%	6%	5.2%
The Labor Party	10.1%	9.5%	8.4%	8.9%	9%
Another party or candidate	3.8%	1.4%	3%	2%	2.2%
Undecided	11.2%	10.9%	7.7%	8.1%	8.6%

	Male	Female	Totals
The Liberal Party	19.2%	19%	19.1%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	21.4%	25.1%	23.3%
The Greens	2.7%	5%	3.9%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	31.9%	25.7%	28.7%
The Nationals	5.4%	5%	5.2%
The Labor Party	9.4%	8.6%	9%
Another party or candidate	3.4%	1%	2.2%
Undecided	6.5%	10.6%	8.6%

Question 1a

You selected the Labor Party, but they may not contest the by-election. If there is no Labor candidate, who would receive your first preference vote instead?

	Totals
The Liberal Party	11.5%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	40%
The Greens	8.3%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	5.6%
The Nationals	8.8%
Another party or candidate	5.8%
Undecided	20.1%

Question 1b

Being undecided, to which of the following do you have even a slight leaning?

	Totals
The Liberal Party	18.2%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	28.5%
The Greens	11%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	26.1%
The Nationals	16.2%

Question 1c

From the following options, who would you least like to see win the Farrer by-election?

	Totals
The Liberal Party	22.2%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	29.5%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	37.1%
The Nationals	11.2%

Question 1d

Would you consider voting for Independent Michelle Milthorpe?

	Totals
Yes, I would consider voting for her	24.5%
No, I would never vote for her	51.2%
Unsure	24.4%

Question 1e

Would you consider voting for Pauline Hanson's One Nation?

	Totals
Yes, I would consider voting for them	25.2%
No, I would never vote for them	64.1%
Unsure	10.8%

Question 2

Thinking back to the 2025 Federal election held in May, which of the following received your first preference vote?

	Male	Female	Totals
The Liberal Party's Sussan Ley	41.7%	38.5%	40%
The Greens	3.8%	4.2%	4%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	19.2%	22.3%	20.8%
The Labor Party	11.8%	11.5%	11.6%
Trumpet of Patriots	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	14.3%	12.5%	13.4%
Another party or candidate	4.4%	2%	3.1%
Do not recall	1.8%	6.3%	4.1%
Did not vote	2.1%	2.1%	2.1%

	18 to 34	35 to 50	51 to 65	Above 65	Totals
The Liberal Party's Sussan Ley	21%	27.5%	37%	44%	40%
The Greens	10.9%	8.7%	3.4%	2.7%	4%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	16.9%	18.3%	18.3%	22%	20.8%
The Labor Party	14.8%	12.2%	15.1%	10.7%	11.6%
Trumpet of Patriots	4.9%	1.5%	1%	0.3%	0.8%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	16.9%	20.7%	14.9%	11.8%	13.4%
Another party or candidate	7%	4%	4.3%	2.5%	3.1%
Do not recall	6.1%	4.3%	5.6%	3.7%	4.1%
Did not vote	1.6%	2.8%	0.4%	2.3%	2.1%

	The Liberal Party	Independent Michelle Milthorpe	The Greens	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	The Nationals	The Labor Party	Another party or candidate	Undecided	Totals
The Liberal Party's Sussan Ley	87%	12.6%	6.8%	37.6%	76.7%	8.8%	3.8%	46.7%	40%
The Greens	0%	6.7%	42.5%	2.8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%
Independent Michelle Milthorpe	2.5%	67.2%	16.7%	5.1%	0.9%	5.5%	14.1%	9.8%	20.8%
The Labor Party	0%	8.8%	18.2%	4.9%	2.6%	78.2%	14.1%	10.2%	11.6%
Trumpet of Patriots	0%	0%	0%	1.6%	0%	3.4%	4.8%	0%	0.8%
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	4.8%	1%	3.7%	39.2%	2.8%	0%	14.1%	0%	13.4%
Another party or candidate	0%	0.4%	10.2%	3.6%	7.2%	0%	45.4%	7.2%	3.1%
Do not recall	3.1%	0.8%	0%	4.7%	6.2%	0.9%	3.8%	21.4%	4.1%
Did not vote	2.5%	2.4%	2%	0.5%	3.5%	3.3%	0%	4.7%	2.1%

Question 3

Do you agree or disagree that Australia exports too much gas?

	18 to 34	35 to 50	51 to 65	Above 65	Totals
Strongly agree	54.4%	54.4%	56.5%	58.5%	57.6%
Agree	15.3%	18.2%	24.5%	20.1%	20.1%
Disagree	13.4%	10.2%	6.6%	8.7%	9%
Strongly disagree	3.4%	2.3%	0.6%	1.9%	1.9%
Not sure	13.6%	14.9%	11.9%	10.8%	11.5%

	Male	Female	Totals
Strongly agree	61.3%	54.1%	57.6%
Agree	16.3%	23.6%	20.1%
Disagree	11%	7.1%	9%
Strongly disagree	2.8%	1.1%	1.9%
Not sure	8.6%	14.2%	11.5%

	The Liberal Party	Independent Michelle Milthorpe	The Greens	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	The Nationals	The Labor Party	Another party or candidate	Undecided	Totals
Strongly agree	56.5%	50%	52.2%	67.5%	65.9%	49.5%	53.9%	53.1%	57.6%
Agree	16.5%	28.5%	25.5%	12.8%	19.2%	29.4%	14.1%	18.8%	20.1%
Disagree	8.3%	8.2%	17%	9.6%	10%	7.9%	14.1%	6%	9%
Strongly disagree	0.9%	1.5%	0%	3.2%	2.8%	1.1%	0%	2.1%	1.9%
Not sure	17.8%	11.9%	5.4%	6.8%	2.1%	12.1%	17.9%	20%	11.5%

Question 4

Several organisations have suggested a tax on gas exports to raise money and encourage gas companies to supply more gas to Australians. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Gas export corporations should pay a flat 25% tax on gas exports"

	18 to 34	35 to 50	51 to 65	Above 65	Totals
Strongly agree	62.4%	45.7%	52.8%	46.6%	48.1%
Agree	17.1%	22.2%	26.3%	28.4%	26.9%
Disagree	10%	6.3%	4.4%	5.7%	5.8%
Strongly disagree	3%	2.8%	0.7%	1.2%	1.4%
Not sure	7.4%	22.9%	15.8%	18.2%	17.7%

	Male	Female	Totals
Strongly agree	56%	40.9%	48.1%
Agree	24.7%	28.9%	26.9%
Disagree	6.5%	5.3%	5.8%
Strongly disagree	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%
Not sure	11.4%	23.5%	17.7%

	The Liberal Party	Independent Michelle Milthorpe	The Greens	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	The Nationals	The Labor Party	Another party or candidate	Undecided	Totals
Strongly agree	47.7%	44%	42.1%	59.7%	34.6%	45.3%	59.1%	29.6%	48.1%
Agree	19.8%	31.6%	37.7%	21.9%	40.5%	31.7%	24.5%	29.3%	26.9%
Disagree	7.9%	6.7%	3.9%	3.8%	6.5%	7.1%	0%	5.6%	5.8%
Strongly disagree	0.6%	0%	10.5%	1.3%	2.9%	4.7%	0%	0%	1.4%
Not sure	24%	17.8%	5.9%	13.2%	15.5%	11.1%	16.4%	35.5%	17.7%

Question 5

A gas exports tax could raise around $17 billion per year. Which of the following do you think revenue from a gas exports tax should be spent on:

	18 to 34	35 to 50	51 to 65	Above 65	Totals
Better quality services like health and aged care	44.9%	57.3%	61.5%	64.2%	62%
Income tax cuts for people earning up to $90,000	28.2%	10.8%	10.8%	7%	9.1%
Income tax cuts for people earning over $90,000	13.8%	8.6%	7%	2%	4%
Increased spending on defence	10.2%	9.6%	10.2%	15.2%	13.8%
Other	3%	11.6%	9.1%	8.9%	8.9%
I do not support a gas exports tax	0%	2.1%	1.3%	2.7%	2.3%

	Male	Female	Totals
Better quality services like health and aged care	55%	68.8%	62%
Income tax cuts for people earning up to $90,000	9.5%	8.8%	9.1%
Income tax cuts for people earning over $90,000	4.6%	3.3%	4%
Increased spending on defence	17.5%	10.2%	13.8%
Other	10.2%	7.6%	8.9%
I do not support a gas exports tax	3.2%	1.4%	2.3%

	The Liberal Party	Independent Michelle Milthorpe	The Greens	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	The Nationals	The Labor Party	Another party or candidate	Undecided	Totals
Better quality services like health and aged care	59.7%	80.1%	80.5%	47.9%	50%	72.1%	42%	53.6%	62%
Income tax cuts for people earning up to $90,000	4.8%	11.6%	9.6%	11.2%	9.4%	0%	16.3%	10.3%	9.1%
Income tax cuts for people earning over $90,000	2.7%	1%	0%	8.1%	0.8%	4.9%	0%	5.2%	4%
Increased spending on defence	24.6%	1.9%	5.8%	18.7%	25.4%	9.6%	20.8%	5.7%	13.8%
Other	6.8%	4.1%	4.2%	11.7%	7.5%	12%	4.4%	21.9%	8.9%
I do not support a gas exports tax	1.3%	1.2%	0%	2.4%	6.8%	1.3%	16.4%	3.4%	2.3%

Methodology Disclosure - Short

Research conducted by	Yabbr Listens Pty Ltd
Commissioned by	The Australia Institute
End client	The Australia Institute
Fieldwork dates	5th - 6th March 2026
Mode of data collection	Automated telephone poll and SMS
Target population	Automated telephone poll and SMS
Sample size	1281
Australian Polling Council (APC) Compliant	Yes
URL of Long Methodology Disclosure Statement	https://ucommsapc.info/
Voter intention published	Yes

Methodology Disclosure - Long

Effective sample size after weighting applied	1115
Margin of Error associated with effective sample size	+/- 2.73%
Variables used in weighting	Population distribution (Age x Gender)
Weighting methodology	Ranked weighting
Full question text, responses categories and randomisation	See within attached
Proportion of landline/mobile completed samples	85% Mobile 15% Landline
Source of Sample	Households selected at random within the Federal Seat of Farrer
Positioning of voter intention questions within survey	First question after call and SMS intro
Undecided voter handling	Respondents who answered "Undecided" were then asked a leaning question
2pp calculation method	Respondent allocated preferences