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Short Methodology Statement	
Research company	YouGov Galaxy Pty Ltd
Client commissioning the research	Common Threads
Fieldwork dates	16 June–9 July 2026
Mode of data collection	Online recruited from research panel (100%)
Target population	Australians eligible to vote
Sample size	4,003
Australian Polling Council compliant	Yes
URL of Long Methodology statement	https://au.yougov.com/results/apc
Is voting intention published?	Yes, for 2026 Victorian state

Long Methodology Statement	
Effective sample size after weighting applied	2,901
Margin of error associated with effective sample size	±1.819
Quotas and weighting	Age, Gender, Education, AEC region, household income, 2025 Federal Election vote and 2023 Voice Referendum vote.
National poll weighting method used	Rim weighting.
MRP	Multilevel regression with post-stratification (MRP) was used to estimate results across 88 Victorian state electorates. First, a multilevel model identified relationships between survey responses and individual and geographic characteristics, including age, gender, education, region and past vote. These relationships were then applied to an electorate-level post-stratification frame incorporating population and electoral data. The model estimated the likely response of each demographic group within each electorate before aggregating these estimates to produce electorate-level results.

	Results are presented as central estimates with 90% credible intervals. Using MRP (multilevel regression with post-stratification) modelling, YouGov correctly predicted that Labor would be re-elected with an increased majority, while the Coalition would record its heaviest defeat in a federal election since the Liberal Party's formation. No other poll predicted this result.
Full question text, responses categories and randomisation	Below for published questions
Source of online sample	Selected from previously recruited online panels of research participants using quotas based on weighting frame and past vote.
Positioning of voting intention questions in questionnaire?	After demographics
How were undecided voters handled?	No undecided option was provided
2PP calculation method	Survey respondent preferences

Full Question Text of Published Questions

INSERT PUBLISHED QUESTIONS

B1	Thinking about Victorian state election politics. If a Victorian state election was held tomorrow, which one of the following would you vote for as your local state MP?	Ask eligible voters
	Select all options in order of your preference	
	<i>Single select, Randomize Candidates/ party options shown to respondents based on their electorate. The choices were based on a combination of parties/ candidates that ran in the 2022 state election and those intending to run in the 2026 state election</i>	
1.	Coalition	
2.	Greens	
3.	Independent	
4.	Labor	
5.	Other	
6.	One Nation	
B2	Why did you choose \$B1selection as your first preference?	Ask eligible voters
	Please select the option closest to your view	
	<i>Single select, randomise</i>	
1.	They will be the best local representative of my community	
2.	The party has the best policies for Victoria	
3.	The Leader of the party will make the best Premier	
4.	The values of this party are closest to mine and I vote for them often	
5.	I no longer feel represented by the major parties	Fixed



B3	Would you seriously consider voting for the following parties? Please select all those you would seriously consider voting for including the party of your first preference <i>Multiple select, randomise</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	The Labor Party	
2.	The Liberal/National Coalition	
3.	The Greens	
4.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	
5.	Independent	
6.	Another party (please specify)	Fixed
B4	In a Victorian state election, you also get to elect the state's Upper House. If you had to choose in a Victorian Upper House election held tomorrow, which one of the following would you select? Please select one option only <i>Single select, randomise</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	The Labor Party	
2.	The Liberal Party	
3.	The Liberal/National Coalition	Party name displayed based on electorate
4.	The Greens	
5.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	
6.	Victorian Socialists	
7.	Legalise Cannabis Party	
8.	Animal Justice Party	
9.	Family First	
10.	Shooters, Fishers & Farmers	
11.	Libertarian Party	
12.	Independent	Fixed
13.	Another party or candidate (please specify)	Fixed
C1	Thinking about issues facing Victoria, which do you think is the most important? Please rank in order of importance to you from 1 to 12 where 1 is your most important and 2 is the second most important <i>Rank, Ranks 1-12 required, randomise</i>	Ask eligible voters
Rows		
1.	Managing Victoria's economy and finances	
2.	Wages keeping up with prices	
3.	Public Hospitals and Health	
4.	Funding schools and salaries that attract good teachers	
5.	CFMEU construction scandal	
6.	Housing affordability	
7.	Protecting the right to work from home	
8.	Environment and responding to Climate change	
9.	Energy prices and fuel security	
10.	Crime and community safety	
11.	Delivering new road and rail big build transport	



	12. A treaty with First Nations people	
C3	Which party is best at handling each of these issues? Please select one party per issue <i>Grid single select, 1 option per column, randomise rows, randomise columns</i>	Ask eligible voters
Rows		
1.	Managing Victoria's economy and finances	
2.	Wages keeping up with prices	
3.	Public Hospitals and Health	
4.	Funding schools and salaries that attract good teachers	
5.	CFMEU construction scandal	
6.	Housing affordability	
7.	Protecting the right to work from home	
8.	Environment and responding to Climate change	
9.	Energy prices and fuel security	
10.	Crime and community safety	
11.	Delivering new road and rail big build transport	
12.	A treaty with First Nations people	
Columns		
a.	Labor	
b.	Liberal/National Coalition	
c.	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	
d.	The Greens	
e.	Don't know	Fixed
C4	<i>Victoria agreed Australia's first treaty process with First Nations people through a Statewide Treaty Bill voted on by the Victorian Parliament last year.</i> Before this survey what best describes your level of awareness of the Treaty? Please select the option that best applies <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	I am aware	
2.	I had heard something but don't know much about it	
3.	I was not aware	
C5	<i>Victoria's Statewide treaty is a partnership between the State of Victoria and First Peoples, based on respect, trust, and integrity, to improve lives and address historical injustices.</i> <i>It supports Aboriginal self-determination by empowering First Peoples to develop and deliver their own solutions at a local level that improve their lives.</i> <i>The Government put the idea of a treaty to an election twice, and won both times, and then agreed to the Treaty after a long process of engaging with First Nations people.</i> Which best describes your response to the Treaty? Please select the option that best applies	Ask eligible voters



	<i>Single select, reverse</i>	
1.	Strongly support	
2.	Somewhat support	
3.	Neither support nor oppose	
4.	Somewhat oppose	
5.	Strongly oppose	
D1	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: If a Treaty means First Nations people will be able to develop and deliver solutions that improve their own lives, like strengthening healthcare and education, it's got to be better than politicians continuing to fail. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	Strongly agree	
2.	Somewhat agree	
3.	Neither agree nor disagree	
4.	Somewhat disagree	
5.	Strongly disagree	
D2	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: We're all better off when we are free to make decisions for ourselves, our families and our communities. Treaty is about putting First Nations people in the driver's seat of decisions that affect their communities, culture and Country. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	Strongly agree	
2.	Somewhat agree	
3.	Neither agree nor disagree	
4.	Somewhat disagree	
5.	Strongly disagree	
D3	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: We want a country that values all people, whether they have been here five years, five generations or five thousand generations. Treaties provide a way to acknowledge past injustices, resolve differences, and work out how to create a shared future. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	Strongly agree	
2.	Somewhat agree	
3.	Neither agree nor disagree	
4.	Somewhat disagree	



5.	Strongly disagree	
D4	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Everyone deserves to be treated fairly, with dignity and respect. But for too long, politicians have enforced unfair policies that target people based on the colour of their skin, causing unfair barriers to access jobs, healthcare and housing. By listening and acting together through Treaty, we can build a better, fairer future - led by our values of caring for everyone. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	Strongly agree	
2.	Somewhat agree	
3.	Neither agree nor disagree	
4.	Somewhat disagree	
5.	Strongly disagree	
D5	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: To right the wrongs of the past, we must be honest about Australia's violent history regarding Aboriginal people and how this has led to ongoing inequality today. When we face the truth with open hearts and give everyone the chance to be heard, we can change course for a fairer future. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	Strongly agree	
2.	Somewhat agree	
3.	Neither agree nor disagree	
4.	Somewhat disagree	
5.	Strongly disagree	
D6	Which statement do you feel provides the <u>most important or strongest</u> reason and which is the <u>least important</u> reason for <u>having a Treaty with First Nations people?</u> Please rank in order of importance from 1 to 5 where 1 is your most important and 2 is the second most important <i>Rank, Ranks 1-5 required, randomise</i>	Ask eligible voters
Rows		
1.	If a Treaty means First Nations people will be able to develop and deliver solutions that improve their own lives, like strengthening healthcare and education, it's got to be better than politicians continuing to fail.	
2.	We're all better off when we are free to make decisions for ourselves, our families and our communities. Treaty is about putting First Nations people in the driver's seat of decisions that affect their communities, culture and Country.	
3.	We want a country that values all people, whether they have been here five years, five generations or five thousand	



	generations. Treaties provide a way to acknowledge past injustices, resolve differences, and work out how to create a shared future.	
4.	Everyone deserves to be treated fairly, with dignity and respect. But for too long, politicians have enforced unfair policies that target people based on the colour of their skin, causing unfair barriers to access jobs, healthcare and housing. By listening and acting together through Treaty, we can build a better, fairer future - led by our values of caring for everyone.	
5.	To right the wrongs of the past, we must be honest about Australia's violent history regarding Aboriginal people and how this has led to ongoing inequality today. When we face the truth with open hearts and give everyone the chance to be heard, we can change course for a fairer future.	
D7	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The idea of a Treaty is divisive. Please select one option only Single select, reverse	Ask eligible voters
	1. Strongly agree	
	2. Somewhat agree	
	3. Neither agree nor disagree	
	4. Somewhat disagree	
	5. Strongly disagree	
D8	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The Treaty is a bad idea that will cost too much for Victorian taxpayers and create more bureaucracy. Please select one option only Single select, reverse	Ask eligible voters
	1. Strongly agree	
	2. Somewhat agree	
	3. Neither agree nor disagree	
	4. Somewhat disagree	
	5. Strongly disagree	
D9	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The Treaty is undemocratic, as we voted against the Voice in the Referendum to stop this sort of thing. Please select one option only Single select, reverse	Ask eligible voters
	1. Strongly agree	
	2. Somewhat agree	
	3. Neither agree nor disagree	
	4. Somewhat disagree	
	5. Strongly disagree	



D10	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Opponents of a Treaty should say what they are going to do to ensure all Australians, including First Nations Australians get treated fairly going forward, not just be negative. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i> 1. Strongly agree 2. Somewhat agree 3. Neither agree nor disagree 4. Somewhat disagree 5. Strongly disagree	Ask eligible voters
E1	Having heard some of the arguments for and against the Treaty which best describes your response to the proposed Treaty. Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i> 1. Strongly support 2. Somewhat support 3. Neither support nor oppose 4. Somewhat oppose 5. Strongly oppose	Ask eligible voters
E2	If a candidate that was standing in a future election said: "scrapping the Treaty with First Nations Australians is a top priority, and I will do it within 100 days of being elected". Which of the below options would be closest to your view on this statement? Please select one option only <i>Single select, reverse</i> 1. This is in touch with my priorities 2. This is out of touch with my priorities	Ask eligible voters
E3	Which party or candidate do you think would make the statement: "scrapping the Treaty with First Nations Australians is a top priority, and I will do it within 100 days of being elected". Please select one option only <i>Single select, randomise</i> 1. Pauline Hanson's One Nation 2. A fringe minor party candidate 3. Liberal/National Coalition 4. Labor 5. The Greens	Ask eligible voters
E4	Have you ever experienced or witnessed racism towards First Nations people, migrants or multicultural communities - either in person or online?	Ask eligible voters



	Please select one option only	
	<i>Single select, reverse</i>	
1.	Yes	
2.	No	
E5	If a politician were to make statements that were racist or encouraged racism towards a particular group, how would it affect your vote? Please choose the option that is closest to your view <i>Single select, reverse</i>	Ask eligible voters
1.	I would be more likely to vote for them	
2.	I would be less likely to vote for them	
3.	It would make no difference to my vote	