

COMPARISON OF SURVEY RESULTS – 2013-14 TO 2016

PROTECTIONS FOR FARMLAND, WATER AND THE ENVIRONMENT

March 2016 ReachTEL

Do you think New South Wales farmland, water and environment need protecting from the impacts of coal mining and coal seam gas fracking?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Yes	84.1%	84.0%	84.3%	84.1%	84.7%	85.8%	81.8%
No	7.9%	5.7%	10.2%	7.9%	7.1%	7.2%	9.0%
Undecided	5.8%	7.0%	4.5%	7.3%	4.8%	5.4%	6.4%
Don't know	2.2%	3.3%	1.0%	0.7%	3.4%	1.5%	2.8%

	Total	Coalition	Labor	Greens	Oth/Ind	Und
Yes	84.1%	78.7%	87.0%	95.4%	85.7%	82.4%
No	7.9%	11.7%	4.3%	2.0%	9.8%	6.9%
Undecided	5.8%	7.6%	7.1%	2.0%	1.8%	3.9%
Don't know	2.2%	2.0%	1.5%	0.7%	2.7%	6.9%

2014 Lonergeran

	Total	Location					
		Greater Sydney		Other NSW			
		WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC
		5317	1310	3384	782	1933	528
<i>*No filter</i>		WC	%	WC	%	WC	%
A4a. Do you think that our farmlands, water and environment need protecting from the impacts of coal and coal seam gas mining?	Yes	4014	75%	2533	75%	1481	77%
	No	534	10%	332	10%	202	10%
	Not sure	769	14%	519	15%	250	13%

IS THE PREMIER DOING ENOUGH

March 2016 Reachtel

Do you think Premier Mike Baird has done enough to protect New South Wales farmland, water and environment from the impact of coal mining and coal seam gas fracking?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Yes	15.5%	11.5%	19.7%	17.1%	11.2%	15.5%	18.0%
No	62.0%	61.7%	62.3%	52.6%	60.5%	66.7%	62.1%
Undecided	16.4%	19.3%	13.3%	21.1%	20.1%	12.7%	15.7%
Don't know	6.1%	7.5%	4.7%	9.2%	8.2%	5.2%	4.2%

	Total	Coalition	Labor	Greens	Oth/Ind	Und
Yes	15.5%	26.8%	9.0%	2.0%	8.1%	7.9%
No	62.0%	48.4%	70.5%	82.1%	74.8%	59.4%
Undecided	16.4%	19.6%	14.6%	9.9%	11.7%	20.8%
Don't know	6.1%	5.2%	5.9%	6.0%	5.4%	11.9%

March 2014 Lonergan

	Total		Gender				Age										
			Male		Female		18 to 24		25 to 34		35 to 49		50 to 64		65+		
	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	WC	UC	
<i>*Filtered to those who think that our farmlands, water and environment need protecting from the impacts of coal and coal seam gas mining</i>																	
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A4b. Do you think Barry O'Farrell has done enough to protect our farmland, water and environment from the impact of coal and coal seam gas mining?	Yes	504	13%	294	16%	211	10%	81	20%	63	10%	150	13%	105	10%	105	13%
	No	2725	68%	1257	67%	1468	68%	247	62%	451	73%	779	67%	693	69%	554	68%
	Not sure	785	20%	320	17%	465	22%	73	18%	100	16%	240	21%	210	21%	161	20%

IS COAL GOOD OR BAD FOR NSW COMMUNITIES?

March 2016 ReachTel

On balance, do you think the coal mining industry having a positive or negative impact on New South Wales communities?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Very positive	13.8%	11.5%	16.2%	17.1%	10.9%	14.4%	13.7%
Somewhat positive	29.7%	30.3%	29.1%	28.3%	31.1%	26.5%	32.8%
Somewhat negative	32.7%	34.5%	30.9%	29.6%	35.2%	30.4%	34.7%
Very negative	23.8%	23.7%	23.8%	25.0%	22.9%	28.6%	18.8%

	Total	Coalition	Labor	Greens	Oth/Ind	Und
Very positive	13.8%	18.7%	13.0%	2.7%	10.9%	11.9%
Somewhat positive	29.7%	37.9%	27.2%	10.7%	27.3%	27.7%
Somewhat negative	32.7%	31.7%	35.0%	30.7%	33.6%	32.7%
Very negative	23.8%	11.7%	24.8%	56.0%	28.2%	27.7%

May 2013 EMC

6.1.2/Impact of coal/mining on NSW communities/

Question 6.1.2: On the whole, is the coal mining industry having a positive or negative impact on NSW communities?

Impact of coal/mining/	%/	Male/	Female/	Sydney/	Regional/	18/24/	25/34/	35/54/	55+/	LAB/D/	LIB/D/	GRN/D/	Weak/D	Coal/shifters/
Total/positive/	53%/	56%/	50%/	53%/	52%/	56%/	59%/	50%/	51%/	56%/	58%/	30%/	52%/	61%/
Total/negative/	47%/	44%/	50%/	47%/	48%/	44%/	41%/	50%/	49%/	44%/	42%/	70%/	48%/	39%/
Very positive	8%/	10%	6%	8%	8%	6%	10%	8%	7%	10%	8%	4%	5%	7%
Somewhat positive	45%/	46%	44%	45%	44%	50%	49%	42%	44%	46%	50%	26%	47%	54%
Somewhat negative	37%/	33%	40%	37%	37%	38%	35%	38%	35%	36%	32%	57%	41%	34%
Very negative	10%/	11%	9%	10%	10%	5%	6%	11%	14%	8%	10%	13%	8%	5%

Base.

1100.

542.

558.

699.

401.

122.

225.

433.

319.

352.

372.

90.

119.

153.

BACKGROUND TO THE SURVEYS

Details of the three surveys behind these results are as follows:

- **March 2016:** ReachTEL conducted a survey of 1,190 residents across New South Wales. The survey was conducted during the night of 14th March 2016.
- **March 2014:** Lonergan survey between March 6 and 13, 2014 of 1310 people within NSW with responses weighted to population estimates derived from the 2011 Census.
- **May 2013:** EMC polling The survey was in the field from Tuesday 30 April until Friday 3 May 2013. The survey was completed by 1100 respondents. Quotas were placed on gender, age and location. The completed data was weighted to ABS Census data for NSW.