

FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE RIGHTS - ABORTION

POLL April 2019

- CLIENT:** Family First New Zealand
- POLL DATES:** Wed 3 to Sun 7 April 2019. The median response was collected on Thu 4 April 2019.
- TARGET POPULATION:** Eligible New Zealand voters.
- SAMPLE POPULATION:** Eligible New Zealand voters who are contactable on a landline or mobile phone.
- SAMPLE SIZE:** 1,000 respondents agreed to participate.
- SAMPLE SELECTION:** A random selection of 15,000 nationwide phone numbers.
- WEIGHTING:** The results are weighted to reflect the overall voting adult population in terms of gender, age, area and deprivation.
- SAMPLE ERROR:** Based on this sample of 1,000 respondents, the maximum sampling error (for a result of 50%) is +/- 3.1%, at the 95% confidence level.
- CODE COMPLIANCE:** This poll was conducted in accordance with the New Zealand Political Polling Code, the Research Association New Zealand Code of Practice and the International Chamber of Commerce/European Society for Opinion and Market Research Code on Market and Social Research.



1. Do you think medical professionals with ethical objections should be lawfully allowed to opt out of performing or arranging abortions?

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?

		Count	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	803	78%
	No	111	11%
	Unsure/Refuse	112	11%
	Total	1026	100%

78% support doctors being able to opt of performing or arranging abortions and only 11% oppose.

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Gender

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	79%	77%
	No	10%	11%
	Unsure/Refuse	11%	11%
	Total	100%	100%

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Age

		Age		
		18 - 40	41 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	73%	84%	78%
	No	15%	8%	8%
	Unsure/Refuse	12%	8%	14%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Area

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	77%	80%	80%
	No	11%	11%	9%
	Unsure/Refuse	12%	9%	10%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Deprivation

		Deprivation		
		Deciles 1 - 3	Deciles 4 - 7	Deciles 8 - 10
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	84%	75%	75%
	No	7%	14%	12%
	Unsure/Refuse	10%	11%	13%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Household

		Household					
		Partner and kids	Partner only	Live with others	Live alone	Other	Unsure
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	83%	84%	76%	77%	65%	72%
	No	8%	7%	21%	12%	12%	26%
	Unsure/Refuse	9%	9%	4%	11%	23%	2%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions? BY Party Vote 2017

		Party Vote 2017					
		National	Labour	NZ First	Greens	Others	Not Vote/Unsure
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	83%	80%	69%	68%	86%	73%
	No	9%	12%	15%	27%	2%	9%
	Unsure/Refuse	8%	8%	16%	5%	11%	17%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?
BY General Support / Opposition to Abortion**

		Abortion		
		Support	Oppose	Unsure/Refuse
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Should doctors be able to opt out of arranging abortions?	Yes	84%	72%	74%
	No	7%	17%	11%
	Unsure/Refuse	9%	11%	15%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

MARGINS OF ERROR

The following maximum sampling margin of errors apply for each demographic group:

- All 3.1%
- Women 4.0%
- Men 4.9%
- Under 40s 9.0%
- 41 to 60 5.0%
- Over 60s 4.4%
- Metro 4.9%
- Provincial 6.1%
- Rural 5.4%
- Deciles 1 to 3 6.1%
- Deciles 4 to 7 4.0%
- Deciles 8 to 10 8.3%
- Partner and kids 5.6%
- Partner only 5.0%
- Live alone 7.8%
- National voters 5.2%
- Labour voters 5.6%
- NZ First voters 15.7%
- Green voters 17.1%
- Unsure voters 6.4%

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