



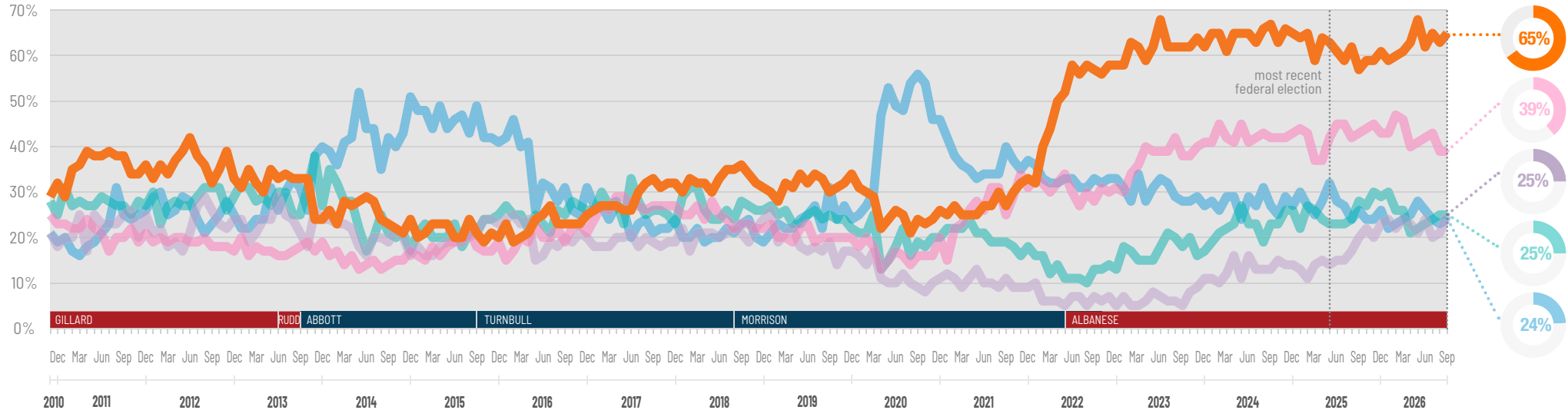
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The top issues facing Australia

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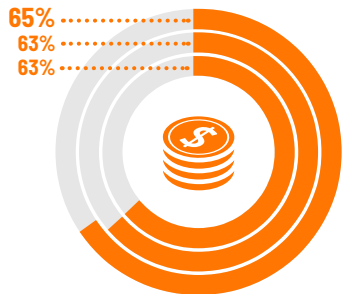


Each month we ask 1,000 Australians to select the three most important issues facing the nation. The top five issues facing Australia in September 2026 are shown below. A summary of all issues facing Australia can be found overleaf. If you would like to know more about the Ipsos Issues Monitor or Ipsos Public Affairs, please contact David Elliott.

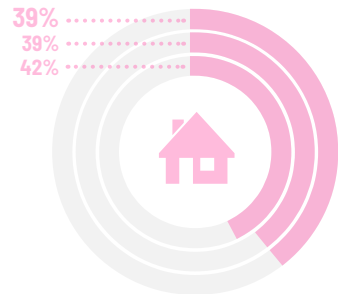


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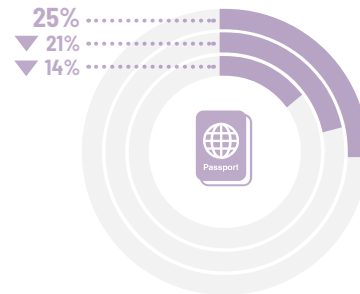
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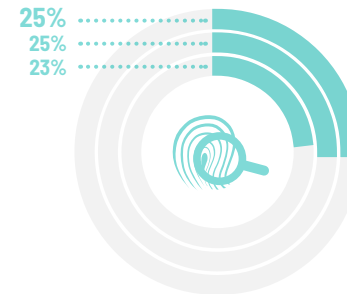
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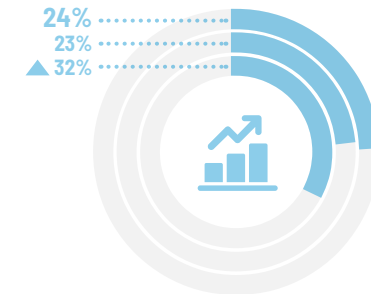
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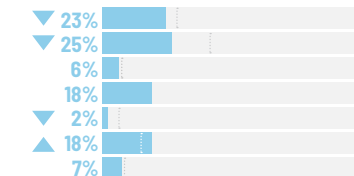
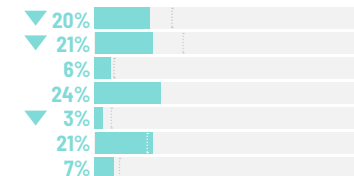
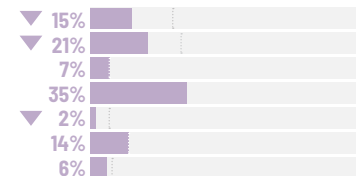
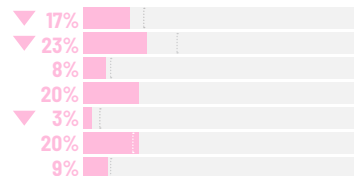
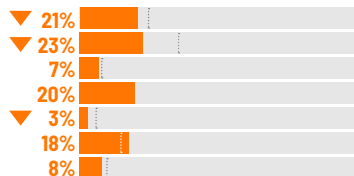
The Economy



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significant
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compared
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Party most capable to manage the top issues facing Australia

COALITION
ALP
GREENS
ONE NATION
OTHER
DON'T KNOW
NONE



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significant
difference
compared
with the most
recent federal
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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	JAN 2026	FEB 2026	MAR 2026	APR 2026	May 2026	JUN 2026	JUL 2026	AUG 2026	SEP 2026
 Cost of Living	30%	36%	36%	31%	25%	21%	23%	29%	33%	32%	25%	28%	52%	62%	65%	61%	59%	60%	61%	63%	68%	62%	65%	63%	65%
 Housing	24%	21%	19%	18%	15%	18%	20%	27%	24%	20%	17%	27%	31%	38%	42%	43%	43%	47%	46%	40%	41%	42%	43%	39%	39%
 Immigration	20%	23%	22%	23%	20%	20%	20%	19%	21%	19%	11%	10%	7%	7%	13%	16%	24%	22%	24%	23%	21%	24%	20%	21%	25%
 Crime	27%	28%	28%	29%	24%	22%	25%	27%	27%	24%	19%	20%	13%	18%	23%	25%	30%	26%	26%	21%	22%	23%	24%	25%	25%
 The Economy	20%	22%	26%	29%	42%	45%	33%	24%	21%	24%	45%	36%	33%	30%	28%	27%	22%	23%	24%	25%	28%	26%	24%	23%	24%
Healthcare	48%	42%	39%	40%	39%	34%	38%	31%	30%	31%	34%	38%	39%	32%	29%	28%	26%	26%	21%	20%	20%	22%	23%	20%	22%
Petrol Prices	8%	15%	14%	11%	7%	4%	4%	6%	11%	9%	5%	8%	22%	17%	13%	9%	8%	7%	14%	32%	19%	15%	14%	19%	16%
Taxation	6%	7%	8%	6%	8%	10%	10%	8%	8%	7%	6%	7%	7%	8%	8%	9%	8%	10%	10%	9%	16%	12%	11%	10%	14%
Population	10%	8%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	8%	13%	12%	8%	7%	5%	7%	8%	9%	9%	10%	8%	8%	7%	9%	9%	9%	10%
Poverty	10%	10%	10%	11%	13%	12%	13%	14%	15%	16%	15%	17%	15%	14%	12%	13%	11%	11%	11%	11%	8%	12%	14%	15%	10%
Environment	20%	18%	13%	12%	10%	10%	12%	13%	16%	25%	25%	25%	21%	16%	13%	12%	11%	12%	11%	10%	8%	9%	10%	11%	9%
Unemployment	10%	10%	17%	21%	26%	26%	24%	23%	18%	16%	35%	23%	10%	8%	8%	8%	7%	8%	7%	7%	8%	9%	9%	8%	8%
Personal Debt	15%	13%	12%	9%	6%	5%	7%	10%	10%	10%	9%	8%	9%	11%	10%	9%	7%	8%	8%	7%	7%	9%	7%	8%	7%
Racism	6%	6%	5%	6%	7%	8%	8%	7%	5%	5%	6%	6%	4%	4%	3%	4%	8%	6%	6%	3%	4%	4%	6%	7%	5%
Drug Abuse	13%	12%	12%	12%	13%	16%	17%	16%	15%	14%	11%	10%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%	5%
Education	15%	12%	16%	19%	20%	17%	18%	14%	13%	13%	11%	12%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	6%	5%	6%	5%
Transport	10%	10%	10%	9%	7%	7%	8%	8%	10%	9%	5%	5%	5%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%
Defence	5%	4%	3%	3%	8%	16%	12%	14%	8%	7%	6%	8%	8%	5%	5%	6%	9%	6%	8%	6%	6%	4%	5%	5%	4%
Indigenous Issues	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	5%	6%	5%	6%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%

