## FLAG POLL

February 2015

CLIENT: Change the NZ Flag Campaign
POLL DATES: Thu 28 January to Tuesday 2 February 2016. The median response was collected on Mon 1 February 2016.

TARGET POPULATION: Eligible New Zealand voters.
SAMPLE POPULATION: Eligible New Zealand voters who are contactable on a landline.
SAMPLE SIZE: $\quad 1,000$ respondents agreed to participate.
SAMPLE SELECTION: A random selection of 15,000 nationwide phone numbers.
WEIGHTING:

SAMPLE ERROR:
The results are weighted to reflect the overall voting adult population in terms of gender, age, deprivation and area.

Based on this sample of 1,000 respondents, the maximum sampling error (for a result of $50 \%$ ) is +/- $3.2 \%$, 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.


## INTENDED VOTE

In March there will be a referendum for the public to choose between the current NZ flag and the flag design which won the first referendum last year. At this stage which of these statements is closest to your view?

- I would definitely vote to keep the current NZ flag
- I would probably vote to keep the current NZ flag
- I would probably vote for the new flag design
- I would definitely vote for the new flag design

| Flag Vote |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Count | Col N \% |
| Flag Vote | Definitely Keep | 473 | 48\% |
|  | Probably Keep | 82 | 8\% |
|  | Probably Change | 115 | 12\% |
|  | Definitely Change | 236 | 24\% |
|  | Unsure/Refuse | 87 | 9\% |
|  | Total | 993 | 100\% |

Overall $56 \%$ intend to vote to keep the flag, $36 \%$ to change it and $9 \%$ undecided.

Flag Vote BY Gender

|  |  | Gender |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Female | Male |
|  | Col N \% | Col N \% |  |
|  | Definitely Keep | $49 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
|  | Probably Keep | $10 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
|  | Probably Change | $13 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
|  | Definitely Change | $19 \%$ | $29 \%$ |
| Unsure/Refuse | $10 \%$ | $8 \%$ |  |
|  | $100 \%$ | $100 \%$ |  |

Men back the status quo by a net $27 \%$ and women a net $13 \%$.

Flag Vote BY Age

|  |  | Age |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | $18-40$ | $41-60$ | $61+$ |
|  | Col N \% | Col N \% | Col N \% |  |
|  | Definitely Keep | $47 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $49 \%$ |
|  | Probably Keep | $9 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
|  | Probably Change | $12 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
|  | Definitely Change | $24 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $25 \%$ |
|  | Unsure/Refuse | $7 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | $100 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

By age support for the status quo is $+20 \%$ for under 40 s, $+22 \%$ for 41 to 60 year olds and $+20 \%$ for over 60s.

Flag Vote BY Area

|  |  | Area |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Metro | Provincial | Rural |  |
|  | Col N \% | Col N \% | Col N \% |  |
|  | Definitely Keep | $45 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $54 \%$ |
|  | Probably Keep | $11 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
|  | Probably Change | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
|  | Definitely Change | $25 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $16 \%$ |
|  | Unsure/Refuse | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | $100 \%$ | $100 \%$ |

By area it is $+20 \%$ in metro cities, $+17 \%$ in provincial cities and $+23 \%$ in rural areas and towns.

Flag Vote BY Likely to Vote

|  |  | Likely to Vote |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Extremely Likely | Very Likely | Somewhat $\qquad$ | Unsure/Refuse |
|  |  | Coln \% | Col N \% | Col N \% | Col N\% |
| Flag Vote | Definitely Keep | 50\% | 41\% | 43\% | 0\% |
|  | Probably Keep | 6\% | 16\% | 10\% | 0\% |
|  | Probably Change | 11\% | 11\% | 18\% | 0\% |
|  | Definitely Change | 26\% | 21\% | 3\% | 0\% |
|  | Unsure/Refuse | 7\% | 11\% | 25\% | 0\% |
|  | Total | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 0\% |

Of those extremely likely to vote, the status quo leads by $19 \%$. By very likely it leads by $+25 \%$ and somewhat likely by $+32 \%$.

## WEIGHTED DEMOGRAPHICS

The results have been weighted to reflect the voting adult gender, age, deprivation and area.

| Gender |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Count | Col \% |
| Gender | Female | 517 | $52 \%$ |
|  | Male | 476 | $48 \%$ |
|  | Total | 993 | $100 \%$ |


| Age |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Count | Col \% |
| Age | $18-40$ | 368 | $37 \%$ |
|  | $41-60$ | 357 | $36 \%$ |
|  | $61+$ | 268 | $27 \%$ |
|  | Total | 993 | $100 \%$ |


| Area |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Count | Col $\%$ |
| Area | Metro | 490 | $49 \%$ |
|  | Provincial | 262 | $26 \%$ |
|  | Rural | 240 | $24 \%$ |
|  | Total | 993 | $100 \%$ |

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