

AUCKLAND HARBOUR CROSSING POLL June 2021

- CLIENT:** New Zealand Taxpayers' Union
- POLL DATES:** Mon 13 to Thu 17 June 2021. The median response was collected on Tue 14 June 2021.
- 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 18,000 nationwide phone numbers.
- WEIGHTING:** The results are weighted to reflect the overall voting adult population in terms of gender, age, and area.
- 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 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.

The Government has announced it plans to spend almost \$700 million on constructing a cycle and pedestrian bridge over Auckland Harbour. What is your view of this as a transport project? Is it strongly oppose, somewhat oppose, somewhat support or strongly support?

| | | Count | Col % |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|
| Auckland Harbour Cycleway | Strongly opposed | 512 | 52% |
| | Somewhat opposed | 112 | 11% |
| | Neutral | 164 | 17% |
| | Somewhat support | 76 | 8% |
| | Strongly support | 101 | 10% |
| | Unsure | 27 | 3% |
| | Total | 992 | 100% |

63% of New Zealanders are opposed to the Auckland Harbour cycle and pedestrian bridge and 18% support it, with net support (support less opposition) being -45%.

More than three times as many voters are opposed to the bridge as support it.

A majority (52%) state they are strongly opposed.

| | | Gender | |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------|-------|
| | | Female | Male |
| | | Col % | Col % |
| Auckland Harbour Cycleway | Strongly opposed | 46% | 59% |
| | Somewhat opposed | 12% | 10% |
| | Neutral | 19% | 13% |
| | Somewhat support | 9% | 6% |
| | Strongly support | 10% | 11% |
| | Unsure | 4% | 1% |
| | Total | 100% | 100% |

Net support amongst women is -37% and amongst men is -52%

| | | Age Group | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | 18-30 Col % | 31-45 Col % | 46-60 Col % | 61+ Col % |
| Auckland Harbour Cycleway | Strongly opposed | 29% | 43% | 44% | 62% |
| | Somewhat opposed | 26% | 9% | 12% | 9% |
| | Neutral | 26% | 23% | 19% | 11% |
| | Somewhat support | 10% | 10% | 8% | 6% |
| | Strongly support | 10% | 11% | 15% | 7% |
| | Unsure | 0% | 4% | 2% | 3% |
| | Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

Net support in order is:

1. 31 to 45 year olds: -31%
2. 46 to 60 year olds: -34%
3. Under 30s: -35%
4. Over 60s: -58%

| | | Area Type | |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| | | Auckland Col % | Outside Auckland Col % |
| Auckland Harbour Cycleway | Strongly opposed | 54% | 51% |
| | Somewhat opposed | 8% | 12% |
| | Neutral | 9% | 18% |
| | Somewhat support | 11% | 7% |
| | Strongly support | 14% | 9% |
| | Unsure | 4% | 2% |
| | Total | 100% | 100% |

Those living in Auckland are more likely to be strongly opposed to it, but also more likely to be supportive. Outside Auckland, more people are neutral.

Net support with Aucklanders is – 37% and outside Auckland is -47%

| | | Probed Party Vote (All Voters) | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|
| | | National Col % | Labour Col % | ACT Col % | Green Col % | Undecided Col % |
| Auckland Harbour Cycleway | Strongly opposed | 78% | 29% | 89% | 17% | 49% |
| | Somewhat opposed | 11% | 8% | 5% | 20% | 25% |
| | Neutral | 6% | 27% | 4% | 20% | 18% |
| | Somewhat support | 4% | 13% | 0% | 17% | 3% |
| | Strongly support | 1% | 19% | 0% | 26% | 3% |
| | Unsure | 0% | 5% | 2% | 0% | 2% |
| | Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

Net support by party vote is:

1. Green voters +6%
2. Labour voters -5%
3. Undecided voters -68%
4. National voters: -84%
5. ACT voters -94%

The only demographic in support is Green Party voters. Labour voters are mildly opposed, and National, ACT and undecided voters very strongly opposed.

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