

Media Release

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GetUp

AUSTRALIANS KNOW IT: BIG BUSINESS' JOBS PROMISE UNBELIEVABLE

New polling shows the vast majority of ordinary Australians think the \$65 billion tax cut for big business is a farce that won't do anything to help them.

The poll of more than 1000 South Australia conducted by Reachtel on Wednesday found:

- 72% of people think corporations are not paying their fair share of tax;
- 83% say the \$65 billion tax cut for business should be used to fund local schools and hospitals (incl. 67.3% Lib voters);
- 81% of South Australians say we could create more jobs by using \$65 billion to grow our health and education systems and build public infrastructure instead of a corporate tax cut;
- 82.4% reckon the Federal Government should spend more time making sure big businesses pay tax rather than reducing it.

And in significant news for South Australia's newest Senator Tim Storer, 64% of South Australians said they would be less likely to vote for Senators who support the corporate tax cut.

Senator Storer is yet to declare how he will vote, as has Victorian Senator Derryn Hinch.

GetUp director Mark Connelly said the everyday Australians are seeing straight through the played out trickle down economics of Malcolm Turnbull and the BCA. For all our sakes I hope the Senate crossbench can too.

"It's simple. The government can create jobs and lift wages by growing and improving our public hospitals and schools and building public infrastructure -- jobs that serve the community. Not by giving a tax handout to big corporations that gets shunted overseas," he said.

UTS research commissioned by GetUp has found at least \$1.96 billion dollars of the \$5.271 billion annual value of the corporate tax cut will flow directly offshore each year.

Media inquiries: Zoe Edwards on [REDACTED] full polling is attached.



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FINAL RESULTS

ReachTEL conducted a survey of 1,024 residents across South Australia. The survey was conducted on the night of the 21st March 2018.

Question 1:

At the next Federal election, would you consider voting for an independent in the Senate who represented your values and interests?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
Yes	55.0%	61.3%	48.5%	59.5%	64.7%	59.6%	48.3%
No	45.0%	38.7%	51.5%	40.5%	35.3%	40.4%	51.7%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Dem	Other	Und
Yes	55.0%	46.1%	75.0%	46.0%	84.2%	72.2%	70.0%	92.2%	79.0%
No	45.0%	53.9%	25.0%	54.0%	15.8%	27.8%	30.0%	7.8%	21.0%





Question 2:

Which of the following do you think the Federal Government should prioritise?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>Making sure corporations are paying their fair share of tax</i>	82.4%	86.1%	78.6%	68.9%	82.7%	87.7%	80.7%
<i>Reducing the tax rate for the biggest corporations</i>	17.6%	13.9%	21.4%	31.1%	17.3%	12.3%	19.3%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Dem	Other	Und
<i>Making sure corporations are paying their fair share of tax</i>	82.4%	93.9%	95.7%	68.8%	52.6%	83.3%	70.0%	85.9%	90.3%
<i>Reducing the tax rate for the biggest corporations</i>	17.6%	6.1%	4.3%	31.2%	47.4%	16.7%	30.0%	14.1%	9.7%





Question 3:

Which of the following statements best reflects your views? Relative to everyday Australians.

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>Corporations are not paying their fair share of tax</i>	72.2%	74.4%	69.8%	59.5%	70.3%	81.1%	68.5%
<i>Corporations pay about the right amount of tax</i>	21.8%	20.8%	22.8%	23.0%	18.8%	15.6%	26.9%
<i>Corporations pay too much tax</i>	6.1%	4.8%	7.4%	17.6%	10.9%	3.3%	4.6%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Deb	Other	Und
<i>Corporations are not paying their fair share of tax</i>	72.2%	89.2%	90.2%	54.0%	31.6%	88.9%	50.0%	78.1%	67.7%
<i>Corporations pay about the right amount of tax</i>	21.8%	8.3%	7.6%	36.9%	42.1%	5.6%	40.0%	14.1%	29.0%
<i>Corporations pay too much tax</i>	6.1%	2.5%	2.2%	9.0%	26.3%	5.6%	10.0%	7.8%	3.2%





Question 4:

The Federal Government's proposed tax cut for large corporations will cost about \$65 billion. Which of the following statements best represents your views?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
\$65 billion should be used to fund our local schools and hospitals	82.6%	90.5%	74.4%	64.9%	78.4%	86.8%	83.6%
\$65 billion should be used to give large corporations a tax cut	17.4%	9.5%	25.6%	35.1%	21.6%	13.2%	16.4%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Dem	Other	Und
\$65 billion should be used to fund our local schools and hospitals	82.6%	97.5%	96.7%	67.3%	47.4%	77.8%	70.0%	81.3%	90.3%
\$65 billion should be used to give large corporations a tax cut	17.4%	2.5%	3.3%	32.7%	52.6%	22.2%	30.0%	18.8%	9.7%





Question 5:

In the next federal election, would you be more or less likely to vote for Senators who voted to give a \$65 billion tax cut to large corporations?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>More Likely</i>	20.0%	13.1%	27.3%	31.1%	28.8%	16.1%	18.5%
<i>Less Likely</i>	63.9%	69.5%	57.9%	56.8%	60.4%	68.4%	62.8%
<i>Vote Unchanged</i>	16.1%	17.3%	14.8%	12.2%	10.8%	15.5%	18.7%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Dem	Other	Und
<i>More Likely</i>	20.0%	8.1%	6.5%	33.2%	47.4%	16.7%	20.0%	18.8%	17.7%
<i>Less Likely</i>	63.9%	78.6%	81.5%	44.3%	42.1%	77.8%	80.0%	68.8%	72.6%
<i>Vote Unchanged</i>	16.1%	13.3%	12.0%	22.4%	10.5%	5.6%	0.0%	12.5%	9.7%

<i>Question 2</i>	Total	Yes	No
<i>More Likely</i>	20.0%	18.7%	21.7%
<i>Less Likely</i>	63.9%	68.5%	58.1%
<i>Vote Unchanged</i>	16.1%	12.8%	20.2%





Question 6:

Which do you think would create more jobs for everyday Australians?

	Total	Female	Male	18-34	35-50	51-65	65+
<i>A \$65 billion tax cut for large corporations</i>	19.3%	11.2%	27.9%	35.1%	20.9%	13.2%	20.6%
<i>\$65 billion used by government to grow our health and education systems and build public infrastructure</i>	80.7%	88.8%	72.1%	64.9%	79.1%	86.8%	79.4%

	Total	Labor	The Greens	Liberal	AU Con	SA Best	Lib Dem	Other	Und
<i>A \$65 billion tax cut for large corporations</i>	19.3%	3.6%	3.3%	36.9%	63.2%	16.7%	20.0%	15.6%	11.3%
<i>\$65 billion used by government to grow our health and education systems and build public infrastructure</i>	80.7%	96.4%	96.7%	63.1%	36.8%	83.3%	80.0%	84.4%	88.7%

This survey was conducted using an automated telephone based survey system among 1,024 voters. The data has been weighted to reflect the population age and gender distribution as provided by the ABS. Telephone numbers and the person within the household were selected at random. Copyright ReachTEL Pty Ltd.

