

VACCINE MANDATE POLL November 2021

- CLIENT:** Family First New Zealand
- POLL DATES:** Tuesday 16 to Thursday 18 November 2021. The median response was collected on Wed 17 November 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 25,000 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.

Do you support or oppose an employer being able to sack a staff member, purely because the staff member has not had a Covid-19 vaccine?

		Count	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	525	50%
	Oppose	323	31%
	Unsure/refuse	197	19%
	Total	1045	100%

50% of respondents support an employer being able to sack unvaccinated staff members, with 31% opposed.

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	47%	54%
	Oppose	30%	32%
	Unsure/refuse	23%	14%
	Total	100%	100%

Men are more supportive than women.

		Age		
		18 - 40	41 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	39%	52%	66%
	Oppose	39%	29%	21%
	Unsure/refuse	23%	18%	13%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

A huge difference by age. 66% of over 60s support sacking of unvaccinated staff but only 39% of under 40s.

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	47%	57%	50%
	Oppose	27%	34%	37%
	Unsure/refuse	26%	9%	13%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

Greater support in provincial cities.

		2020 Party Vote					
		National	Labour	ACT	Greens	Other	Did not vote
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	47%	55%	32%	93%	44%	17%
	Oppose	42%	26%	61%	1%	41%	60%
	Unsure/refuse	11%	19%	7%	6%	15%	23%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Net support by 2020 party vote is:

- Greens +92%
- Labour +29%
- National +5%
- ACT – 29%

		Vaccine status			
		Double vaccinated	Single vaccinated	Unvaccinated	Refuse
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Employer should be able to sack unvaccinated staff	Support	55%	18%	0%	9%
	Oppose	24%	81%	100%	83%
	Unsure/refuse	21%	2%	0%	7%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

55% of those double vaccinated support employers being able to sack unvaccinated staff. Only 18% of single vaccinated persons do which may suggest they are hesitant about getting their second shot.

Do you think employees who do not wish to have a Covid-19 vaccine should be able to keep their job, if they instead agree to have a weekly Covid-19 test?

		Count	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	607	58%
	Oppose	283	27%
	Unsure/refuse	155	15%
	Total	1045	100%

58% of respondents support unvaccinated employees being able to keep their jobs if they agreed to have a weekly Covid-19 test.

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	52%	65%
	Oppose	28%	25%
	Unsure/refuse	20%	9%
	Total	100%	100%

Higher support with men.

		Age		
		18 - 40	41 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	69%	53%	49%
	Oppose	18%	28%	39%
	Unsure/refuse	12%	19%	12%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

Higher support with younger respondents.

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	54%	59%	68%
	Oppose	25%	32%	25%
	Unsure/refuse	21%	9%	8%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

		2020 Party Vote					
		National	Labour	ACT	Greens	Other	Did not vote
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	71%	54%	78%	36%	97%	46%
	Oppose	24%	28%	22%	55%	3%	32%
	Unsure/refuse	5%	18%	0%	9%	0%	21%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Net support by 2020 party vote is:

- ACT +56%
- National +47%
- Labour +26%
- Greens -19%

		Vaccine status			
		Double vaccinated	Single vaccinated	Unvaccinated	Refuse
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Unvaccinated employee can keep job if they test weekly	Support	54%	95%	100%	74%
	Oppose	30%	0%	0%	9%
	Unsure/refuse	16%	5%	0%	17%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

What is your Covid-19 vaccine status. Are you double vaccinated, single vaccinated or unvaccinated?

		Count	Col %
Vaccine status	Double vaccinated	937	90%
	Single vaccinated	32	3%
	Unvaccinated	54	5%
	Refuse	22	2%
	Total	1045	100%

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