# WHY DO POLITICIANS CONTINUE TO DEFY PUBLIC

#### Opinion polls on attitudes to native forest logging 2018-2024

Australia Institute. Polling – Ending native forest logging across Australia April 2024:

- Seven in 10 Australians (69%) support an end to native forest logging on public land across Australia, including 37% who strongly support an end.
- Only one in five (19%) oppose an end to native forest logging across Australia.
- There is majority support for ending native forest logging across Australia in Western Australia (71%), NSW (70%), Victoria (66%) and Queensland (68%).
- There is majority support for ending native forest logging on public land across Australia from all major voting intentions, with highest level of support from Labor voters (79%), followed by Greens voters (76%), Coalition voters (62%), One Nation voters (61%) and Independent/Other voters (57%).

https://australiainstitute.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/Polling-Native-forest-logging-Web.pdf



**Victoria State Polling 2022** prepared for Victorian National Parks Association showed among 1,000 Victorians aged 18+, 64% support ending native forest logging, with 29 strongly supporting it <a href="https://vnpa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/VNPA-Polling-22-report.pdf">https://vnpa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/VNPA-Polling-22-report.pdf</a>



Australia Institute for the Bob Brown Foundation September 2021 – 65% in favour, 16% against ending native forest logging. <a href="https://www.save-the-forests.org/Polling%20-%20September%202021%20-%20Native%20forest%20logging%20(WEB).pdf">https://www.save-the-forests.org/Polling%20-%20September%202021%20-%20Native%20forest%20logging%20(WEB).pdf</a>

## OPINION & PROP UP NATIVE FOREST LOGGING

Forest & Wood Products Australia, survey of 13,000 August 2018				
	Is native forest logging acceptable or unacceptable?	Rural	Urban	
	Unacceptable	65%	70%	
	Acceptable	17%	10%	

Community perceptions of Australia's forest, wood and paper industries: implications for social license to operate [draft]. Jacki Schirmer, Lain Dare, Mel Mylek University of Canberra

#### The Australia Institute, survey of 1,536 April 2019

Do you support ending native forest logging and reforesting other areas?





"Polling – Support for climate action across states". http://tiny.cc/dwql5y

### WHEN THEY COULD DO THE RIGHT

ABC Gippsland Facebook poll of 28,800 November 2018		
Do you support the logging of native forests in regional Australia?		
No	Yes	
68%	32%	

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/ABCGippsland/posts/do-you-support-the-logging-of-native-forests-in-regional-australia/10156329787589825/2012.001999.00199$