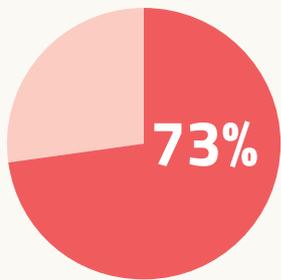


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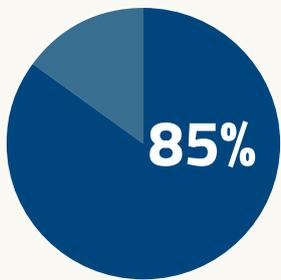
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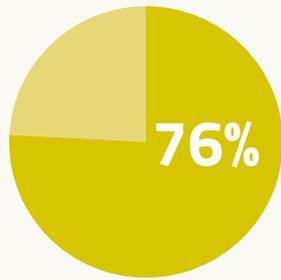
Public Attitudes to Firearms Matters*



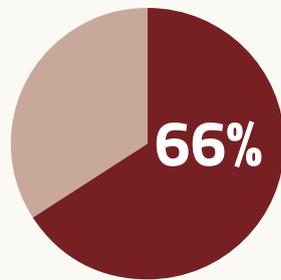
73%
of Australians do not support tighter firearms controls.



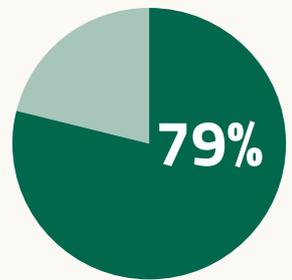
85%
of Australians see no need to increase firearms regulations.



76%
support a national firearms amnesty.



66%
support digital recordkeeping upgrades for firearms registries.



79%
support increasing resources to stop illegal firearms imports, trafficking, manufacture and possession.

The rise of social, environmental and animal activism is disliked by Australians, who want the Federal government and State governments to protect the rights and freedoms of Australians from the demands of activists.

-41%

> net favourability of activists

89%

> politicians should stand up for the freedoms of everyday people

82%

> politicians should resist political correctness pushed by social activists

73%

> do not want gun control activism to further influence policy

Australians are likely to use the ballot box to further their views; a party that seeks capital from expanding gun controls may suffer while parties seen to have developed policies that protect the rights and freedoms of Australian licensed firearms owners may benefit.

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Economic and Social Impact of Recreational Hunting and Shooting*



Australian hunters and shooters spent \$1.9 billion on equipment and costs in 2018.



20,000 Australians have jobs directly related to recreational hunting and shooting.

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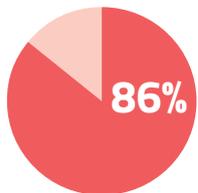
Active Australian hunters and shooters contributed over \$6 billion to the economy in 2018.

Recreational hunting and shooting makes a significant contribution to meeting Australian physical activity guidelines.

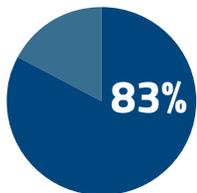
Australian hunters and shooters are happier and healthier than the rest of the population.

Hunting and shooting participants are more physically active and feel more connected to their communities than non-participants.

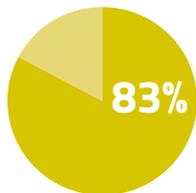
Hunting and shooting contributes to individual and community wellbeing via nature connection, personal challenge and skills acquisition, growing social networks, physical activity and nutrition. So why do people hunt and shoot?



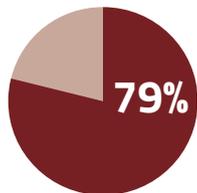
> to spend time outdoors



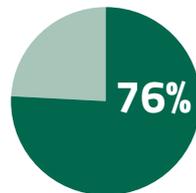
> to unwind and relax



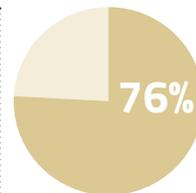
> to learn new skills



> to gain a sense of achievement



> to spend time in nature



> to spend time with friends



> to harvest ethical, organic food

* Henderson, W (2019) *Economic and social impacts of recreational hunting and shooting – Final Report* RMCG, Bendigo, Victoria, Australia. [Survey sample of Licensed Australian Hunters and Shooters.]