

## EUTHANASIA ISSUES POLL NOVEMBER 2019

- CLIENT:** Euthanasia-Free NZ
- POLL DATES:** Thursday 31 October, Sunday 3 and Wednesday 6 November 2019.
- TARGET POPULATION:** New Zealand adults.
- SAMPLE POPULATION:** New Zealand adults who are contactable on a landline or mobile phone.
- SAMPLE SIZE:** 700 respondents agreed to participate.
- SAMPLE SELECTION:** A random selection of 10,000 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 700 respondents, the maximum sampling error (for a result of 50%) is +/- 3.7%, at the 95% confidence level.
- CODE COMPLIANCE:** This poll was conducted in accordance 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 think the End of Life Choice Bill will legalise people choosing to have machines turned off that are keeping them alive?**

**Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off**

		Count	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off	Yes	520	74%
	No	116	17%
	Unsure/Refuse	64	9%
	Total	700	100%

74% of respondents thought the End of Life Choice Bill would legalise people choosing to have machines turned off that are keeping them alive.

**Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off BY Gender**

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off	Yes	76%	71%
	No	15%	20%
	Unsure/Refuse	9%	9%
	Total	100%	100%

**Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off BY Age**

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off	Yes	91%	54%	81%	67%	70%	77%
	No	0%	46%	16%	25%	22%	12%
	Unsure/Refuse	9%	0%	3%	8%	8%	11%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off BY Area**

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise turning machines off	Yes	75%	75%	73%
	No	14%	16%	19%
	Unsure/Refuse	10%	9%	8%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

## Do you think the End of Life Choice Bill will legalise people choosing not to be resuscitated?

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation

		Count	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation	Yes	490	70%
	No	145	21%
	Unsure/Refuse	65	9%
	Total	700	100%

70% of respondents think the End of Life Choice Bill will legalise people choosing not to be resuscitated.

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation BY Gender

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation	Yes	73%	64%
	No	19%	25%
	Unsure/Refuse	8%	11%
	Total	100%	100%

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation BY Age

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation	Yes	82%	62%	56%	58%	74%	71%
	No	14%	23%	31%	36%	20%	17%
	Unsure/Refuse	5%	15%	13%	7%	6%	11%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation BY Area

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing non resuscitation	Yes	74%	70%	66%
	No	16%	25%	22%
	Unsure/Refuse	10%	6%	12%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

## Do you think the End of Life Choice Bill will legalise people choosing to receive enough medication to keep them free from pain?

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free

		Count	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free	Yes	433	62%
	No	181	26%
	Unsure/Refuse	84	12%
	Total	698	100%

62% of respondents think the End of Life Choice Bill will legalise people choosing to receive enough medication to keep them free from pain.

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free BY Gender

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free	Yes	64%	59%
	No	24%	29%
	Unsure/Refuse	12%	11%
	Total	100%	100%

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free BY Age

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free	Yes	59%	46%	56%	53%	60%	66%
	No	32%	38%	38%	40%	29%	20%
	Unsure/Refuse	9%	15%	6%	7%	11%	14%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

### Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free BY Area

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Will EOLC Bill legalise choosing medication to remain pain free	Yes	61%	65%	61%
	No	28%	25%	25%
	Unsure/Refuse	11%	11%	14%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

**Do you think the End of Life Choice Bill makes euthanasia available to terminally ill people only as a last resort, after all treatments have been tried to control their pain?**

**Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort**

		Count	Col %
Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort	Yes	527	75%
	No	108	15%
	Unsure/Refuse	65	9%
	Total	700	100%

75% of respondents think the End of Life Choice Bill makes euthanasia available to terminally ill people only as a last resort.

**Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort BY Gender**

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort	Yes	73%	80%
	No	16%	15%
	Unsure/Refuse	11%	5%
	Total	100%	100%

**Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort BY Age**

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort	Yes	64%	100%	78%	75%	81%	72%
	No	18%	0%	16%	18%	8%	19%
	Unsure/Refuse	18%	0%	6%	7%	10%	9%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort BY Area**

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill only allow euthanasia as a last resort	Yes	76%	73%	77%
	No	16%	16%	14%
	Unsure/Refuse	8%	11%	9%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

## Do you think the End of Life Choice Bill requires people requesting euthanasia to inform some loved ones of their decision?

### Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified

		Count	Col %
Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified	Yes	398	57%
	No	161	23%
	Unsure/Refuse	141	20%
	Total	700	100%

57% of respondents think the End of Life Choice Bill require people requesting euthanasia to inform some loved ones of their decision.

### Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified BY Gender

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified	Yes	55%	60%
	No	24%	21%
	Unsure/Refuse	21%	19%
	Total	100%	100%

### Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified BY Age

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified	Yes	82%	100%	50%	59%	55%	55%
	No	18%	0%	22%	27%	19%	25%
	Unsure/Refuse	0%	0%	28%	14%	25%	20%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

### Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified BY Area

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Does EOLC Bill require relatives to be notified	Yes	55%	52%	63%
	No	24%	28%	18%
	Unsure/Refuse	21%	20%	19%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

**Can I ask you whether you think the following statement is true or false?**

**The End of Life Choice Bill makes euthanasia available to terminally ill people with less than six months to live, provided they do not also have depression or another mental illness.**

**Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness**

		Count	Col %
Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness	True	508	73%
	False	90	13%
	Unsure/Refuse	102	15%
	Total	700	100%

73% of respondents think the End of Life Choice Bill makes euthanasia available to terminally ill people with less than six months to love, provided they do not also have depression or another mental illness.

**Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness BY Gender**

		Gender	
		Female	Male
		Col %	Col %
Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness	True	70%	78%
	False	14%	11%
	Unsure/Refuse	17%	11%
	Total	100%	100%

**Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness BY Age**

		Age					
		18 - 25	26 - 30	31 - 40	41 - 50	51 - 60	61+
		Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness	True	64%	100%	75%	71%	78%	70%
	False	23%	0%	19%	8%	12%	14%
	Unsure/Refuse	14%	0%	6%	21%	10%	17%
	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness BY Area**

		Area		
		Metro	Provincial	Rural
		Col %	Col %	Col %
Under EOLC Bill will euthanasia only be available to people without mental illness	True	72%	74%	72%
	False	12%	12%	15%
	Unsure/Refuse	16%	14%	13%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

An analysis of all responses found only 7.9% of respondents answered No to the first three questions and only 0.1% (one person) answered no or false to all six questions.

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