



**The Sunday
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General Election Opinion Poll

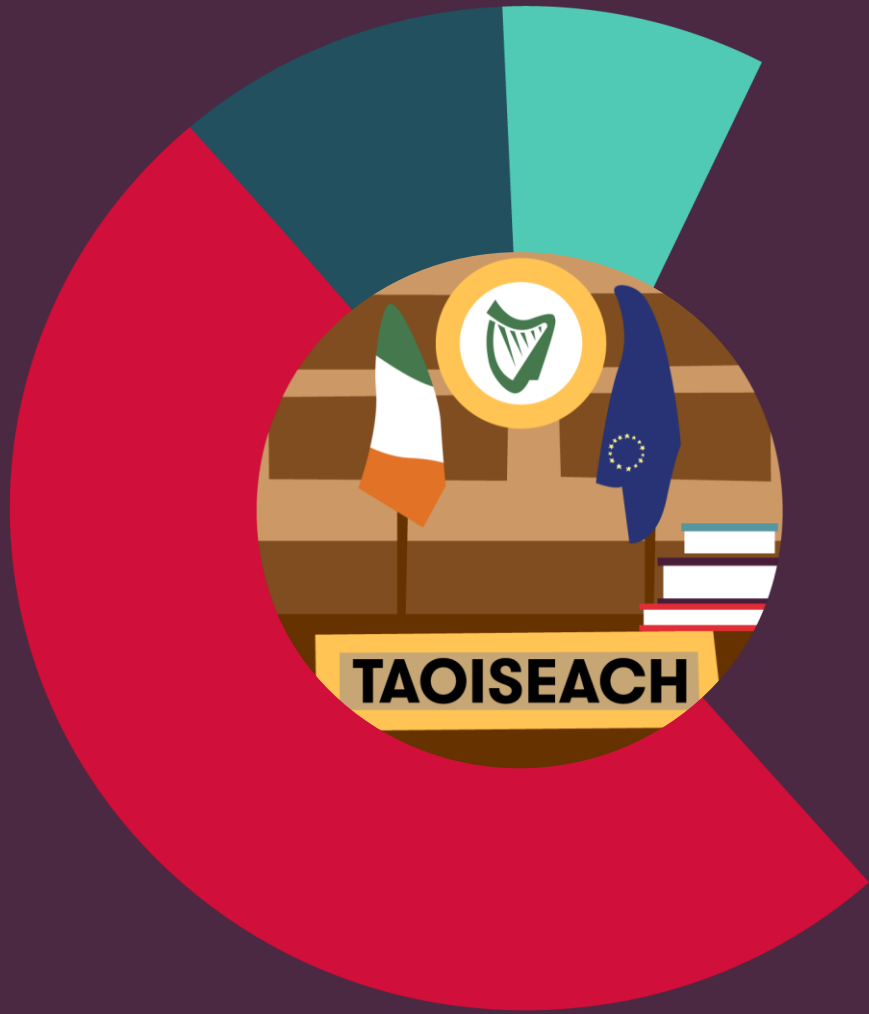
October 2019



Methodology and Weighting

- / RED C interviewed a random sample of 1000 adults aged 18+ by telephone between the 17th - 24th October 2019.
- / A random digit dial (RDD) method is used to ensure a random selection process of households to be included – this also ensures that ex-directory households are covered.
- / Half of the sample are interviewed using an RDD landline sample, with the other half conducted using an RDD mobile phone sample, this ensures 98% coverage of the population reaching landline only households, mobile only households and those with both a landline and a mobile.
- / Interviews were conducted across the country and the results weighted to the profile of all adults. A further past vote weighting is included that takes the recall for how people voted at the last general election, compares this to the actual results and weights the data between the two.
- / Vote intention results are weighted based on turnout, including both how likely each respondent is to actually go and vote on a 10 point scale, where 1 is not at all likely and 10 is very likely, as well as whether or not they voted in the last general election.
- / In all respects the poll was completed to the opinion polling guidelines set out by both ESOMAR and AIMRO.



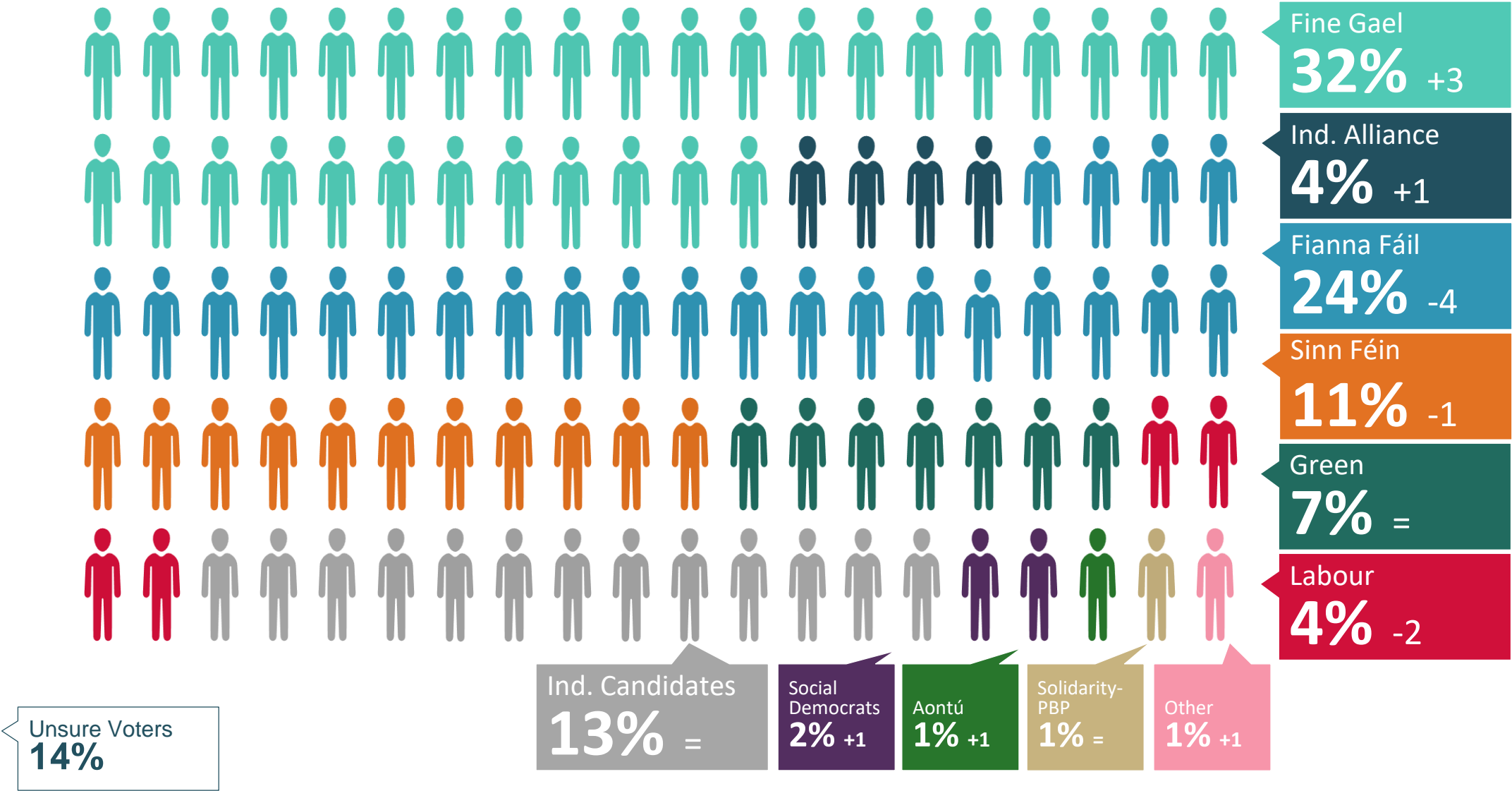


General Election

First Preference Vote Intention – 27th October 2019

If the general election was tomorrow which party or independent candidate do you think you would give your first preference vote to? (Past vote weighted)

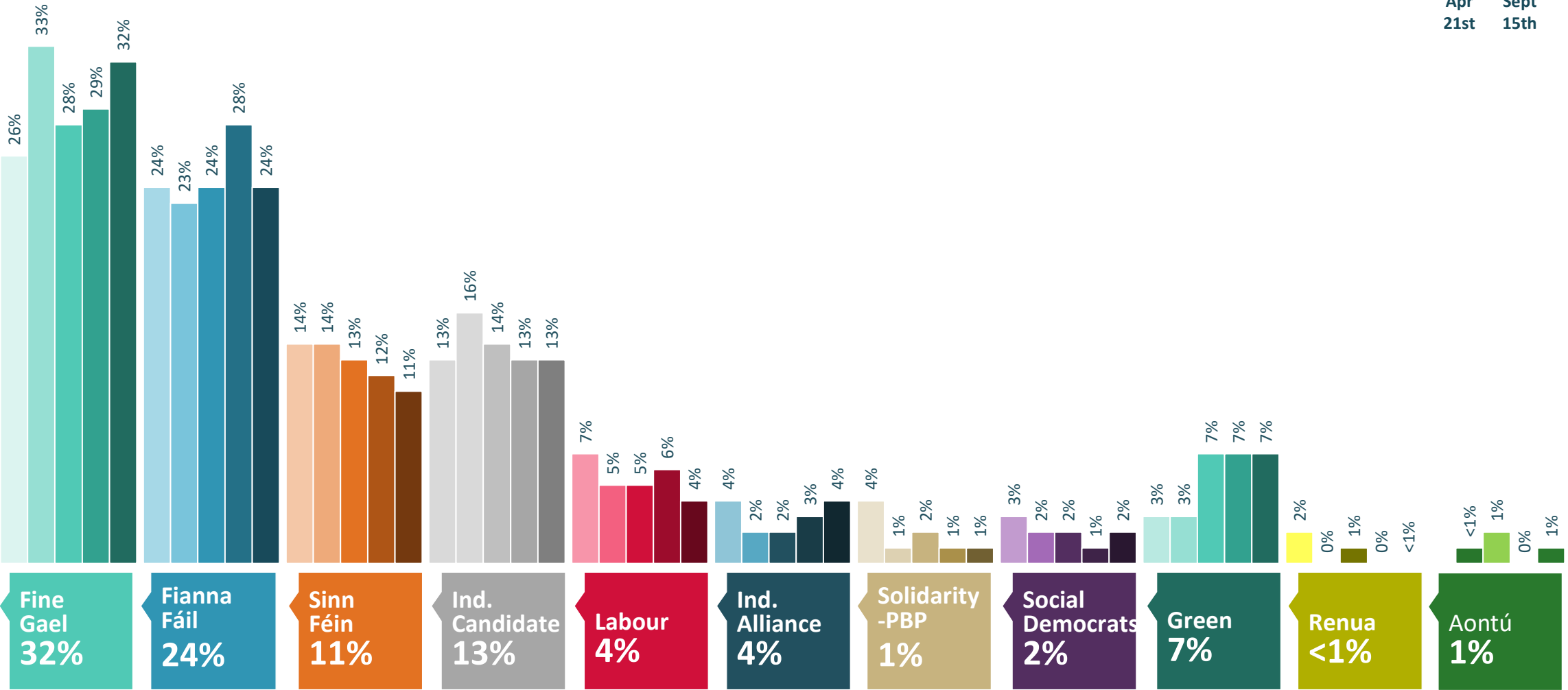
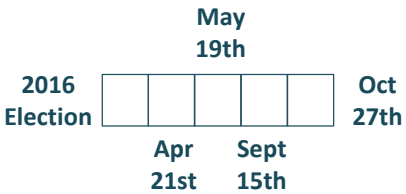
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First Preference Vote Intention – October ‘19

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Other Parties: 1%

Party Preference X Demographics

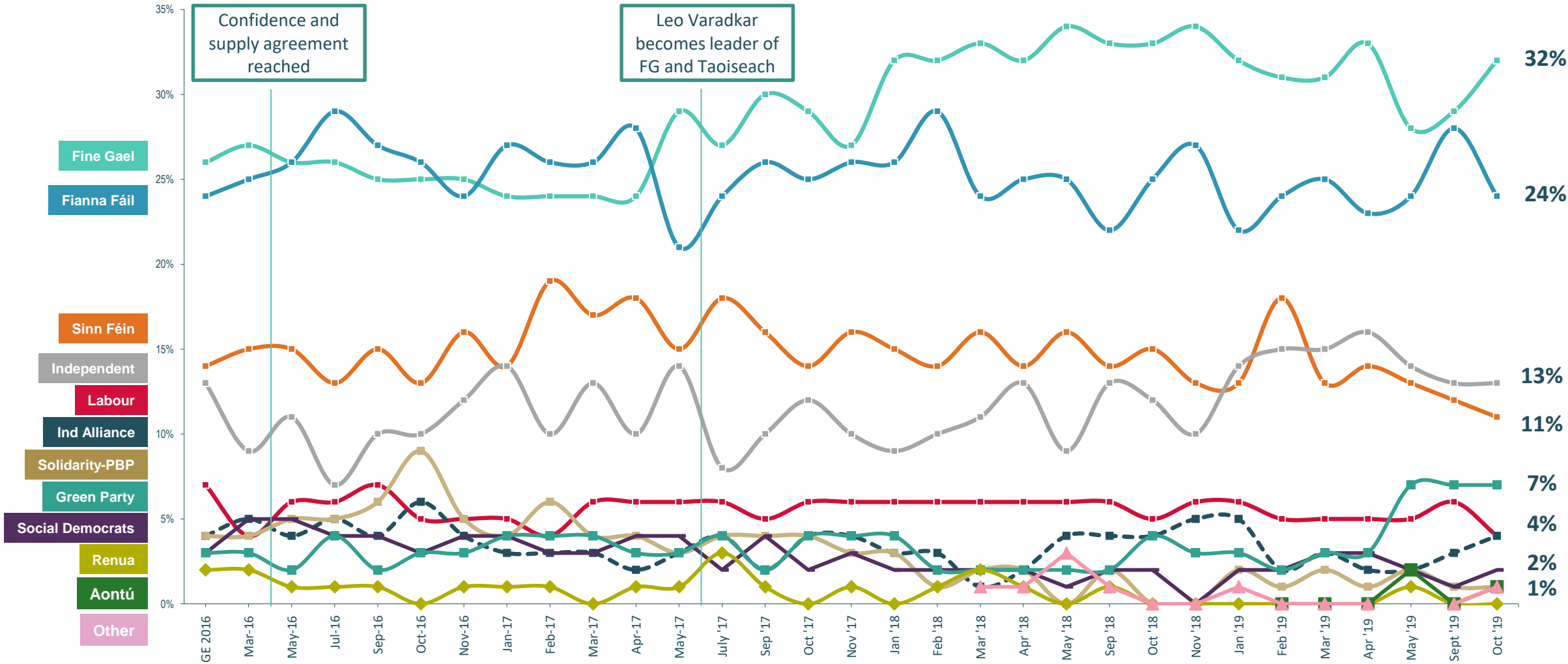
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		Gender		Age			Social Class			Region			
	Total	Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	ABC1	C2DE	F	Dublin	Rest of Leinster	Munster	Conn/ Ulster
Fianna Fáil	24%	26%	23%	20%	23%	30%	20%	28%	23%	14%	28%	30%	26%
Fine Gael	32%	31%	32%	24%	30%	39%	35%	29%	32%	28%	34%	31%	34%
Labour	4%	4%	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	7%	3%	3%	2%
Sinn Féin	11%	11%	10%	15%	14%	4%	7%	13%	10%	13%	8%	10%	11%
The Green Party	7%	7%	8%	13%	7%	3%	12%	4%	3%	9%	7%	8%	4%
Independent Alliance Candidate	4%	3%	5%	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	0%	4%	3%	5%	3%
Solidarity - People Before Profit	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	4%	1%	1%	1%
Other Independent Candidate	13%	10%	16%	11%	14%	13%	11%	13%	27%	11%	14%	12%	18%
Renua	<1%	<1%	<1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	<1%	0%	1%	<1%	0%	0%
Social Democrats	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	0%	3%	2%	<1%	0%
Aontú (February 2019)	1%	3%	<1%	4%	<1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	4%	<1%	<1%	1%
Other Party	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%

First Preference Vote Intention – Since GE 2016

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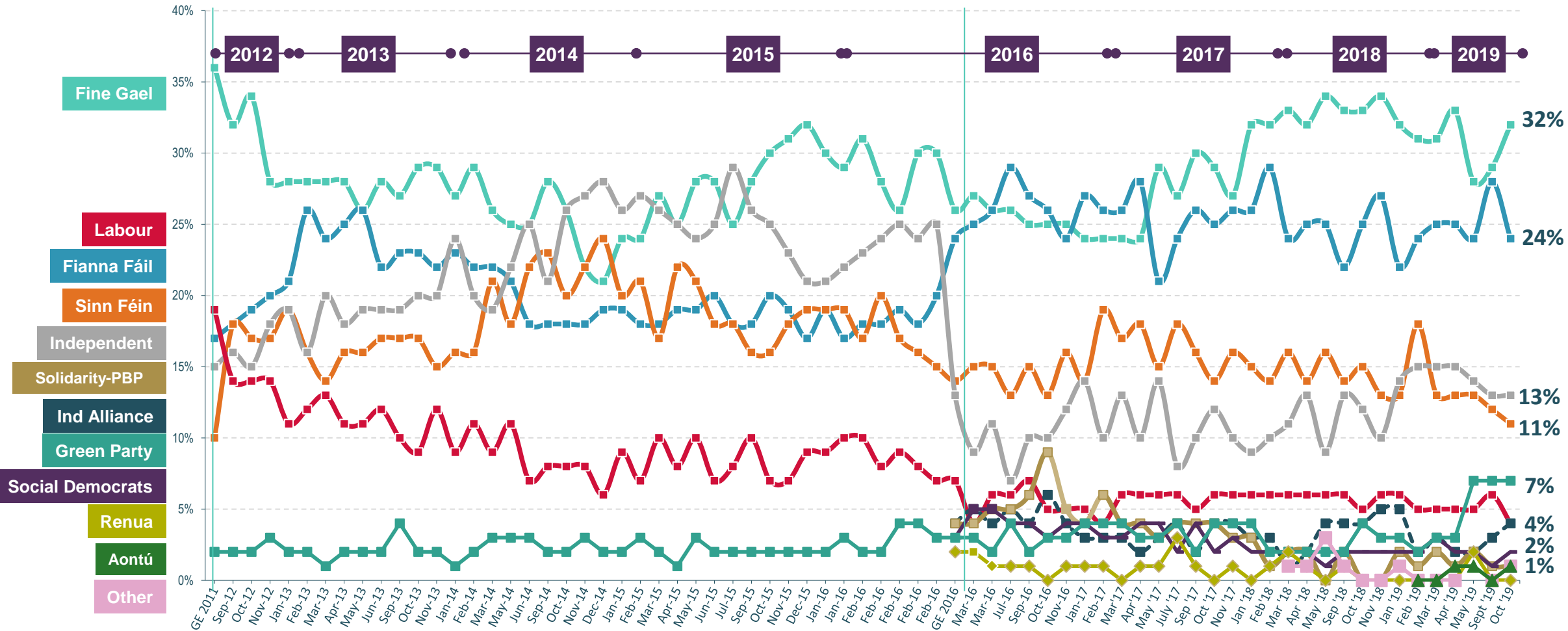
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First Preference Vote Intention – 2012-2019

If the general election was tomorrow which party or independent candidate do you think you would give your first preference vote to? (Past vote weighted)

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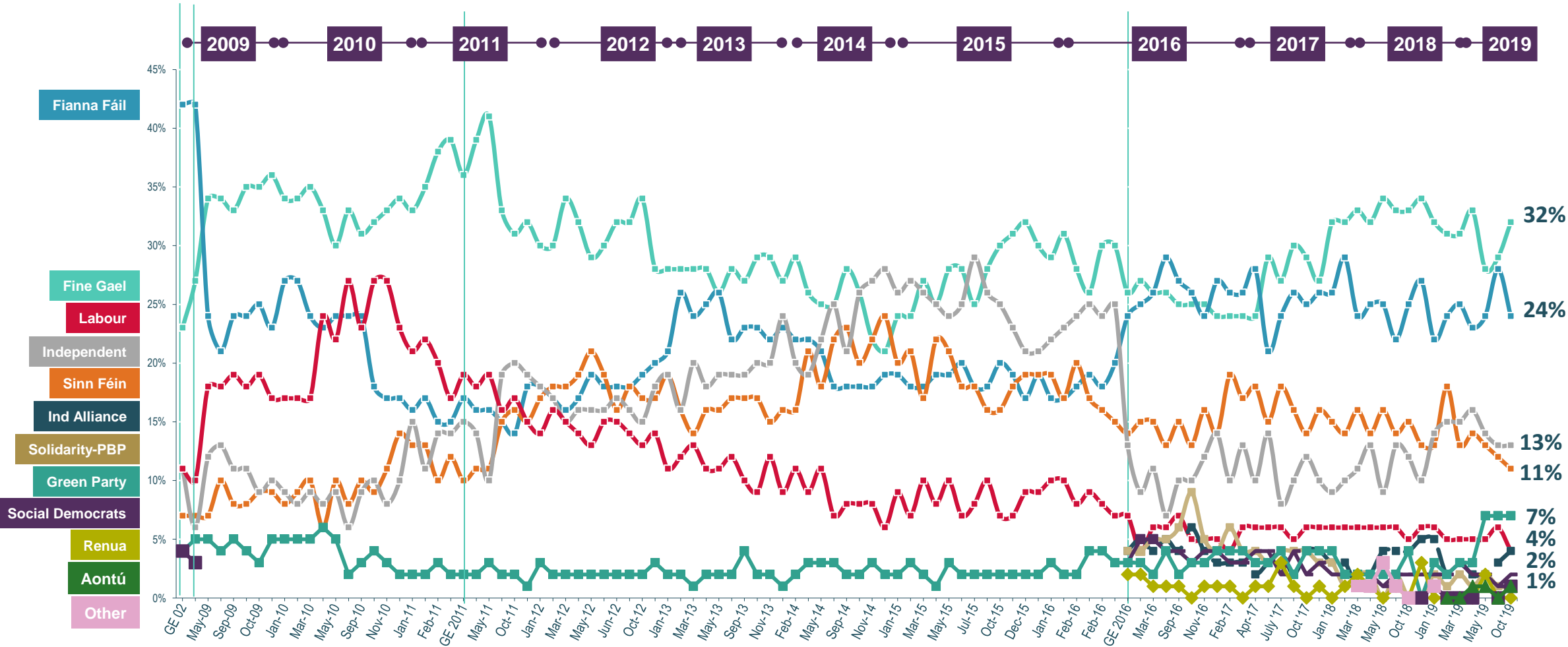


Note; From GE 2016 Onwards, 'Independents/Others' split out to show Solidarity-PBP, Social Democrats & Renua separately

First Preference Vote Intention – 2009 to 2019

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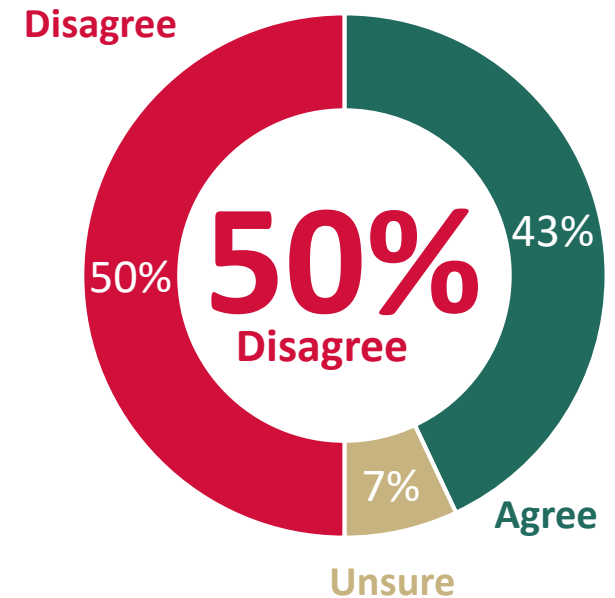
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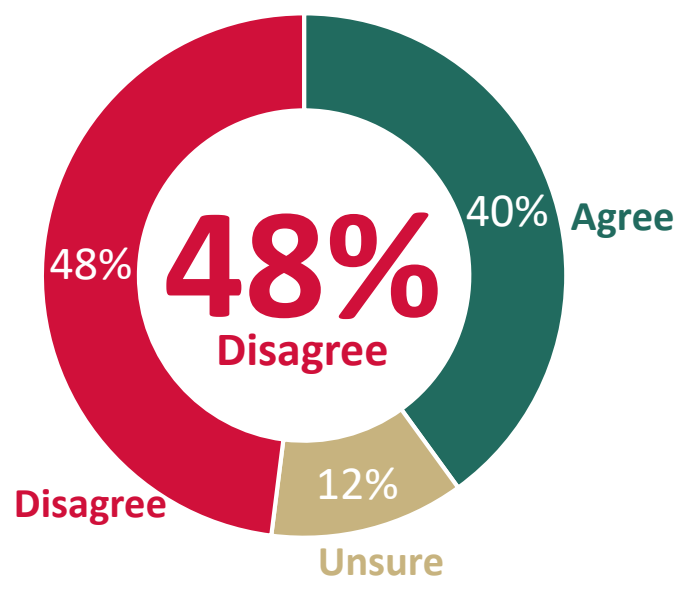
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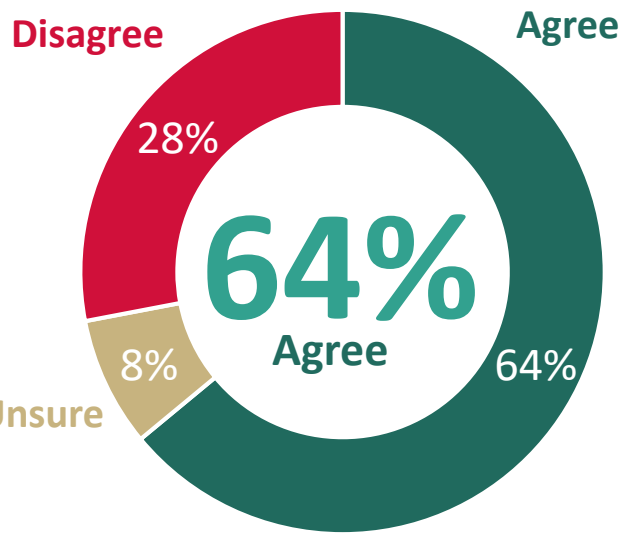
Q5 . Do you agree or disagree with the following statements that other people have made about the following issues in politics in Ireland today



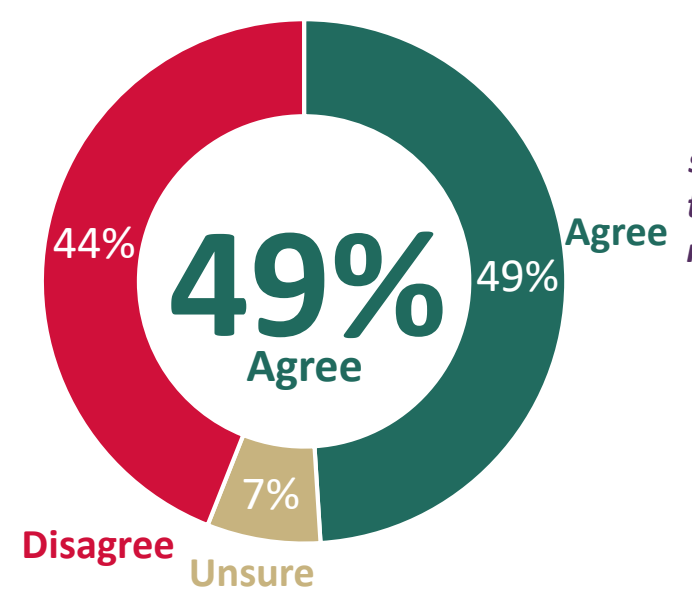
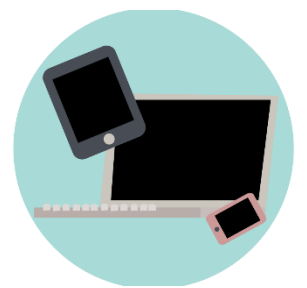
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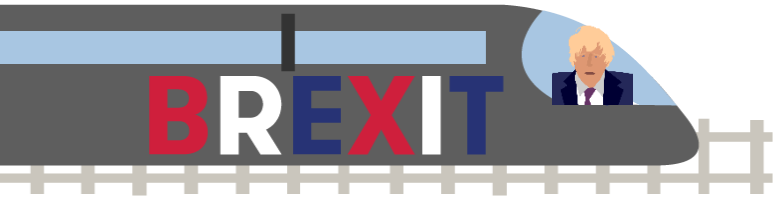


November Election?

Do voters want to go to the polls in November?

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(Base: All Irish Adults aged 18+ - 1000)



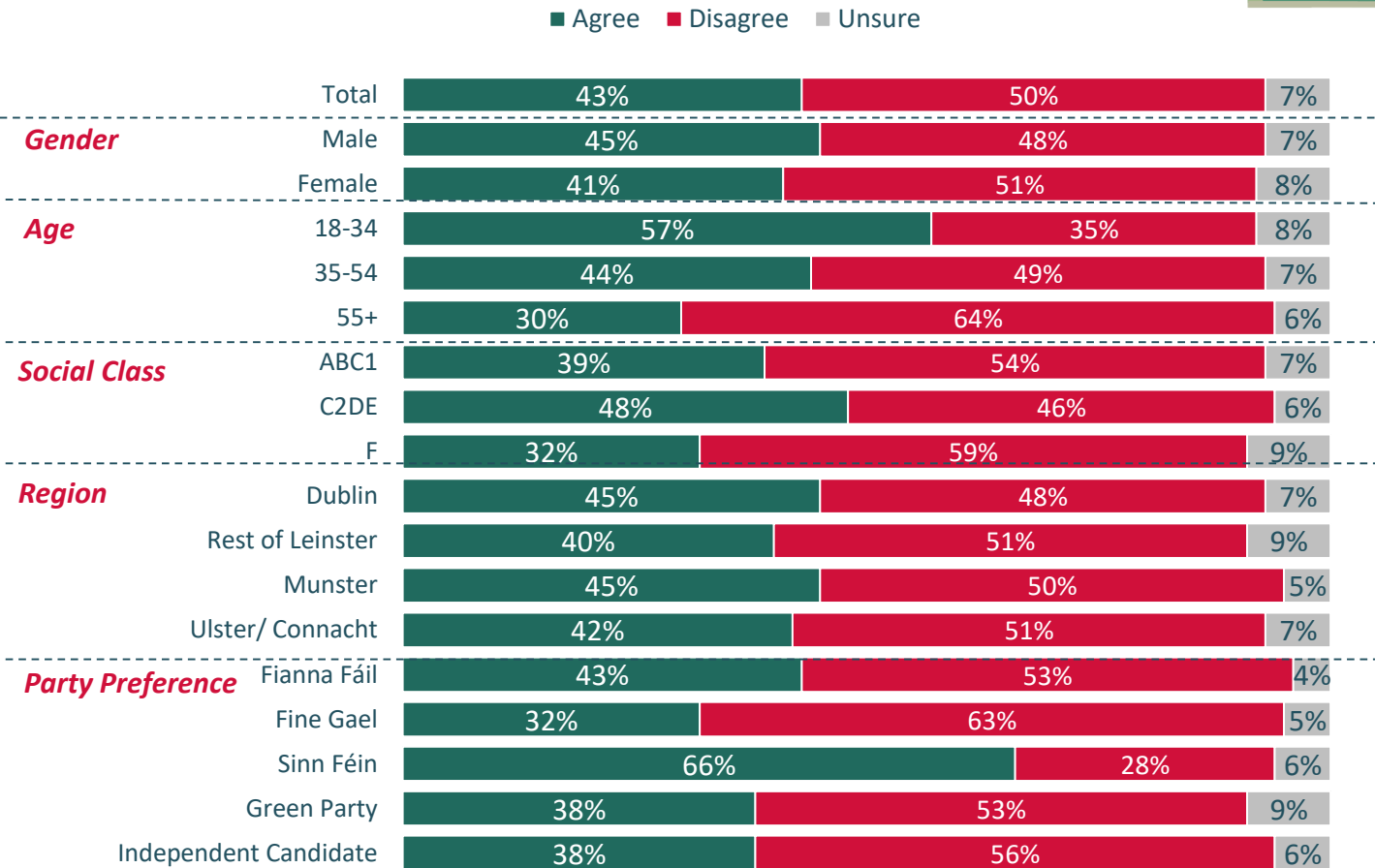
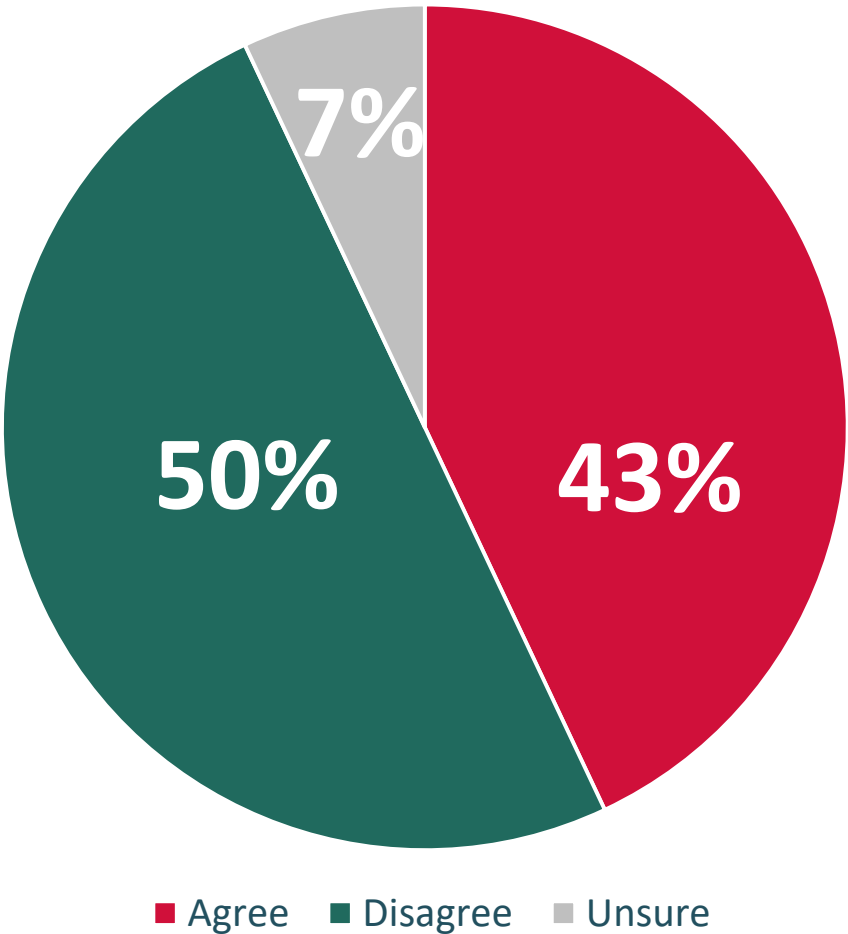
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Lisa Smith

Should the Government bring Lisa Smith home?

Q5(2) Lisa Smith the former Irish soldier who became a supporter of Islamic State, currently in Syria with her child, should be brought home to Ireland by the Government.

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40%
of Irish people
believe Lisa Smith
should be brought
home to Ireland



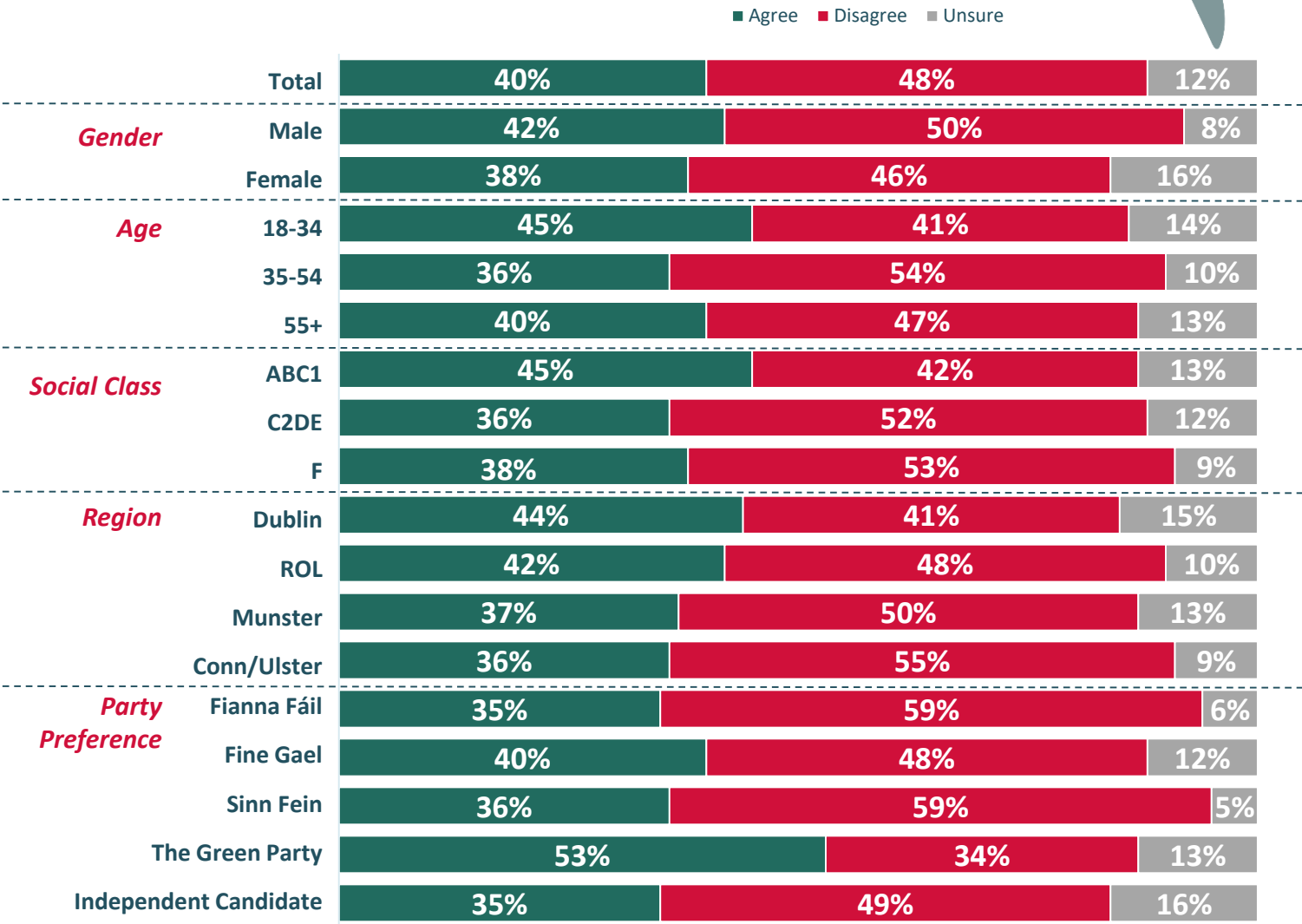
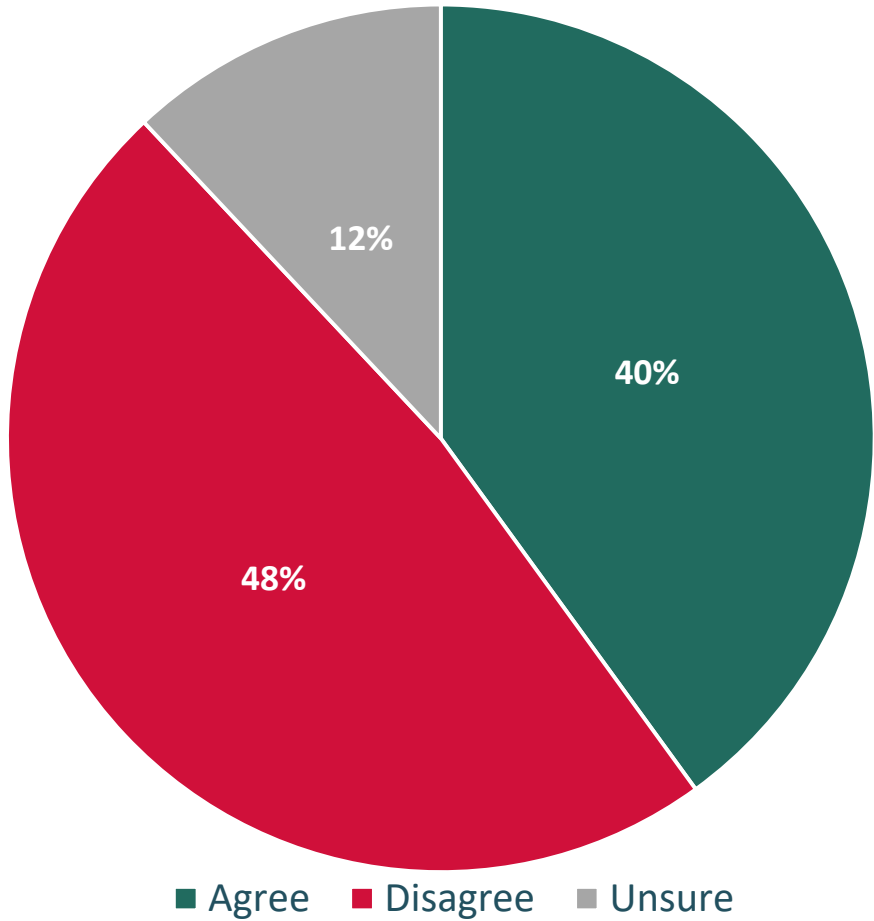
48%
Believe she should
not be brought
home

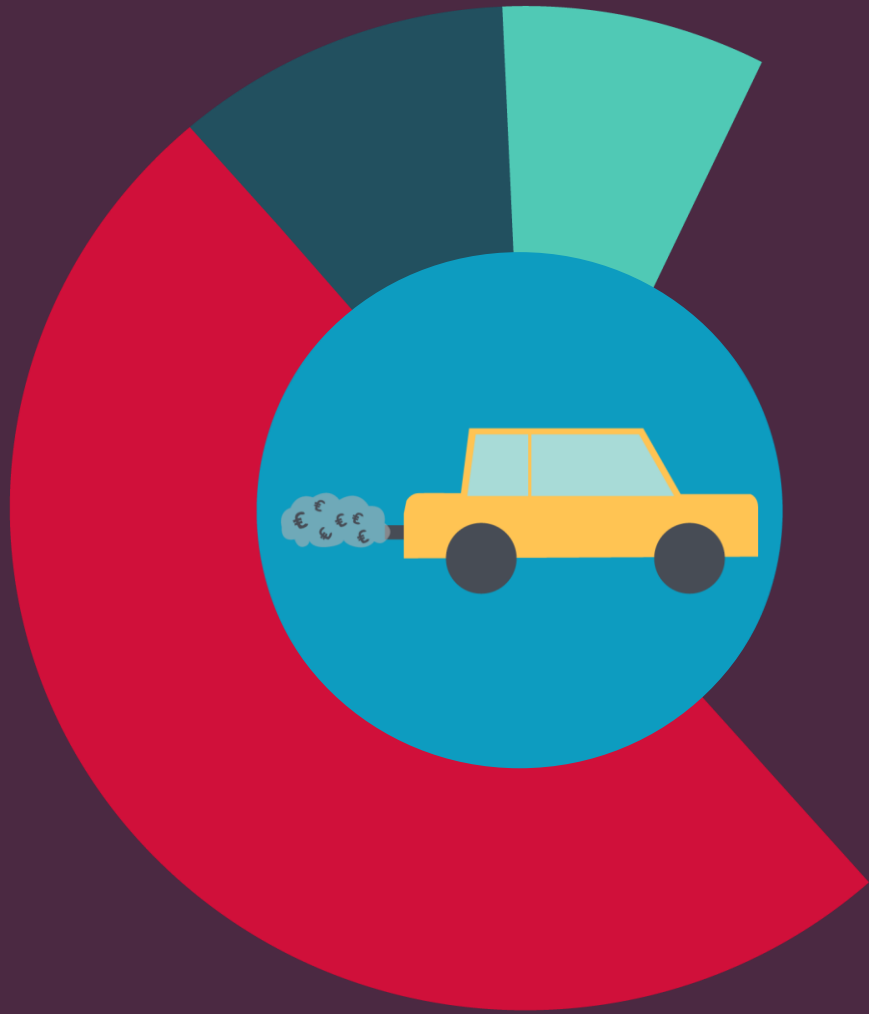
12%
Unsure

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Carbon Tax

Support for annual carbon tax increases

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49%
Support further
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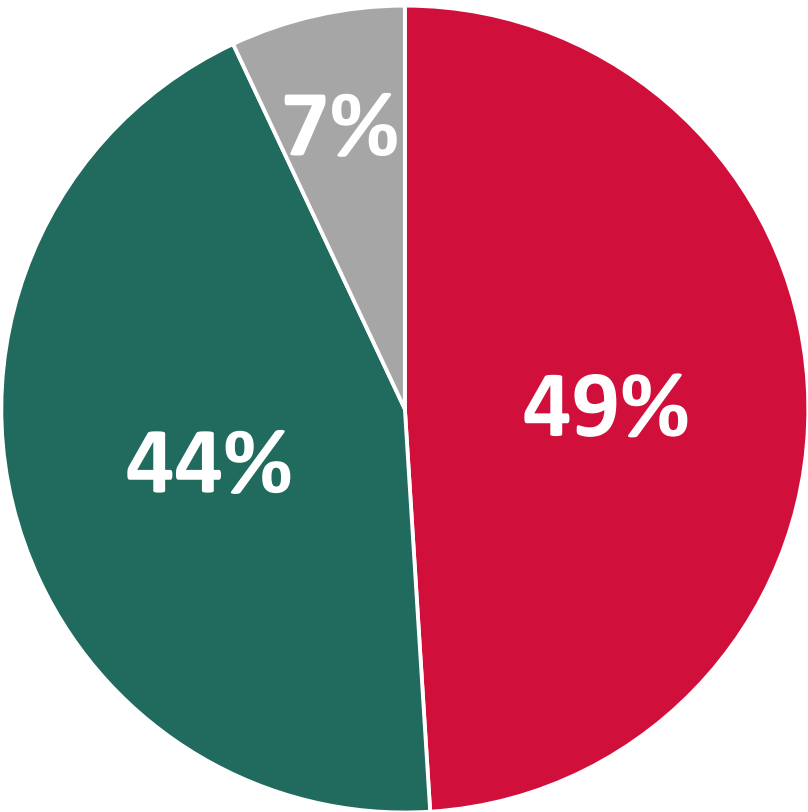
44%
Oppose more
annual increases

7%
Unsure

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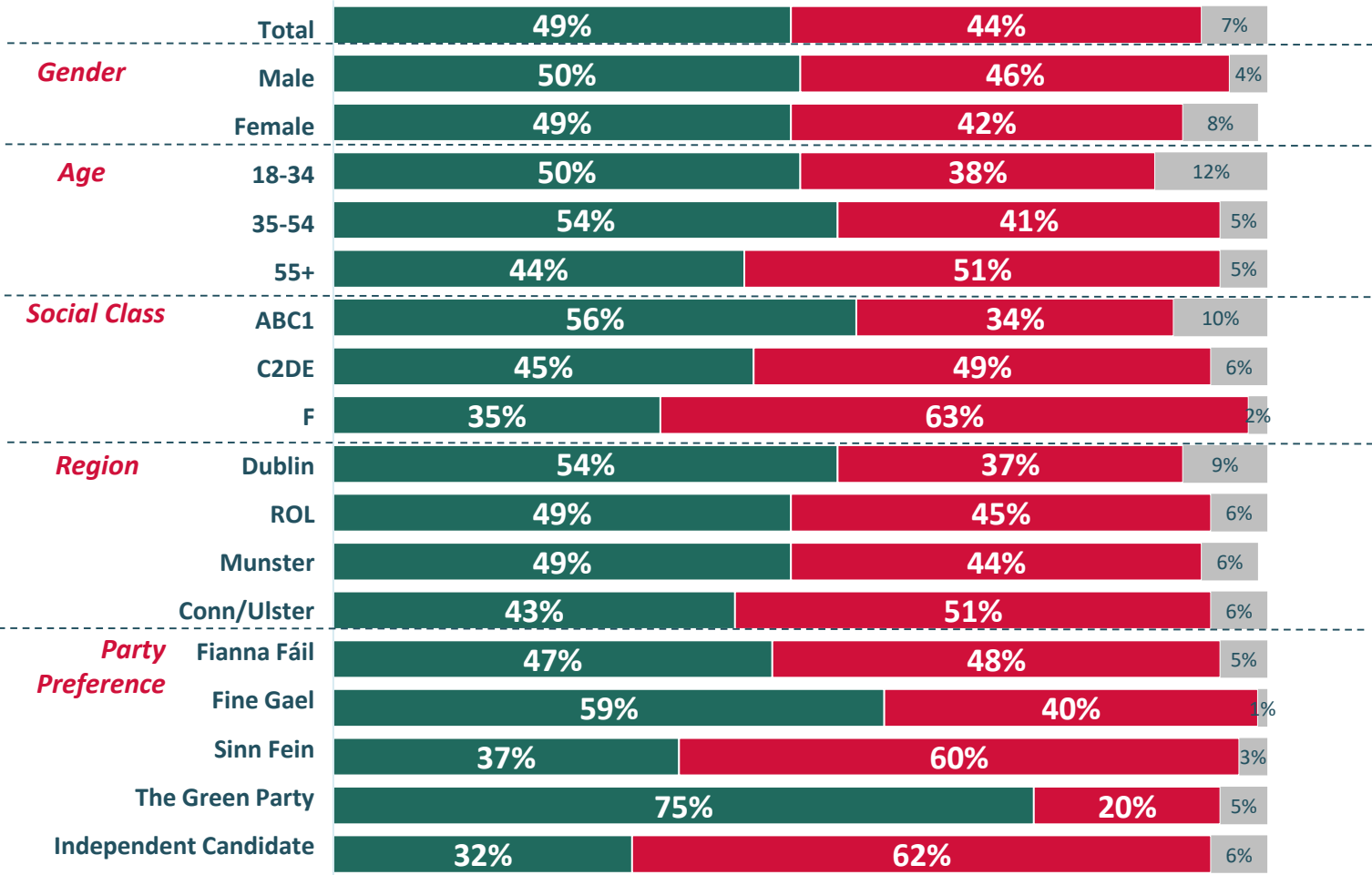
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■ Agree ■ Disagree ■ Unsure

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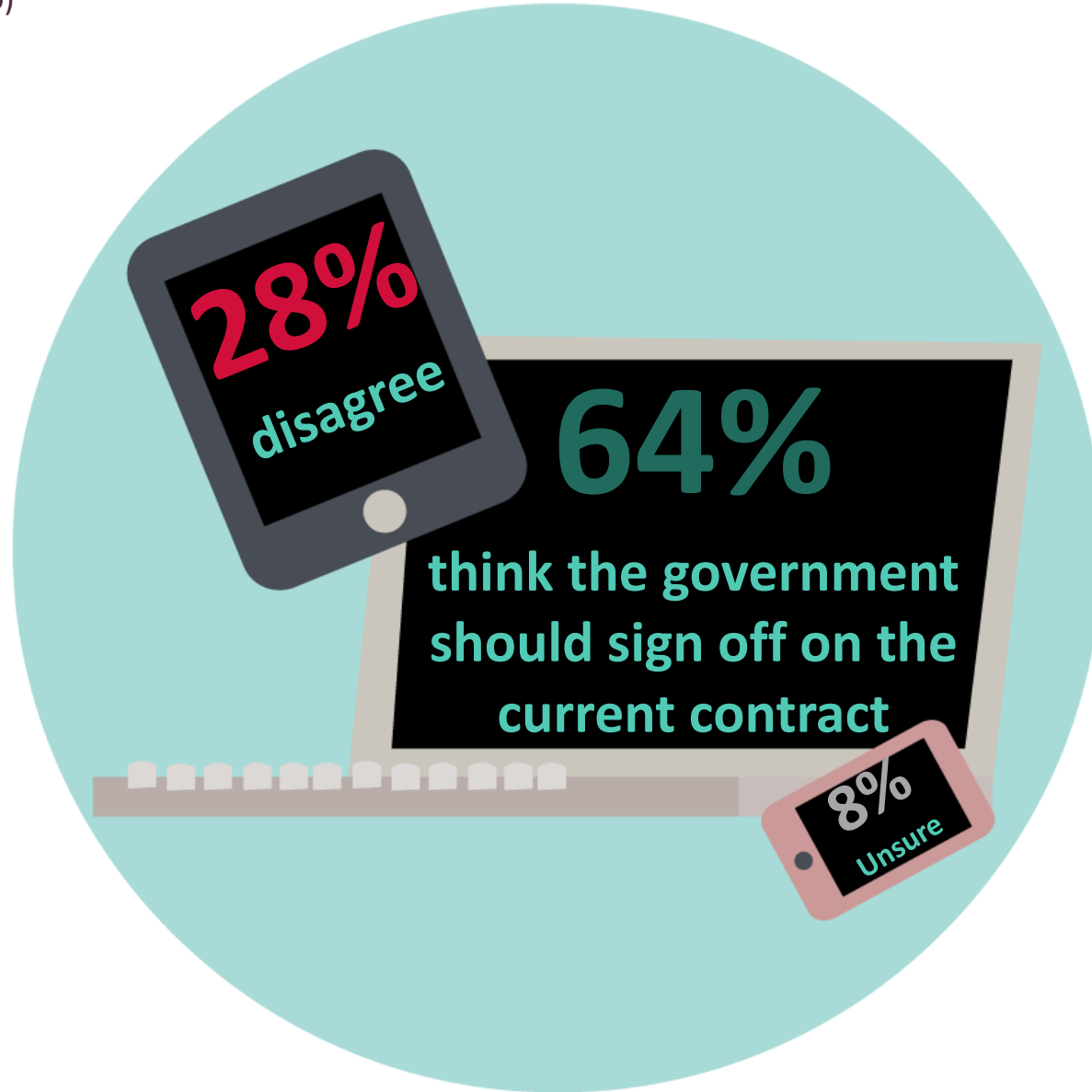


Rural Broadband Plan

Support for current €3 billion rural broadband contract

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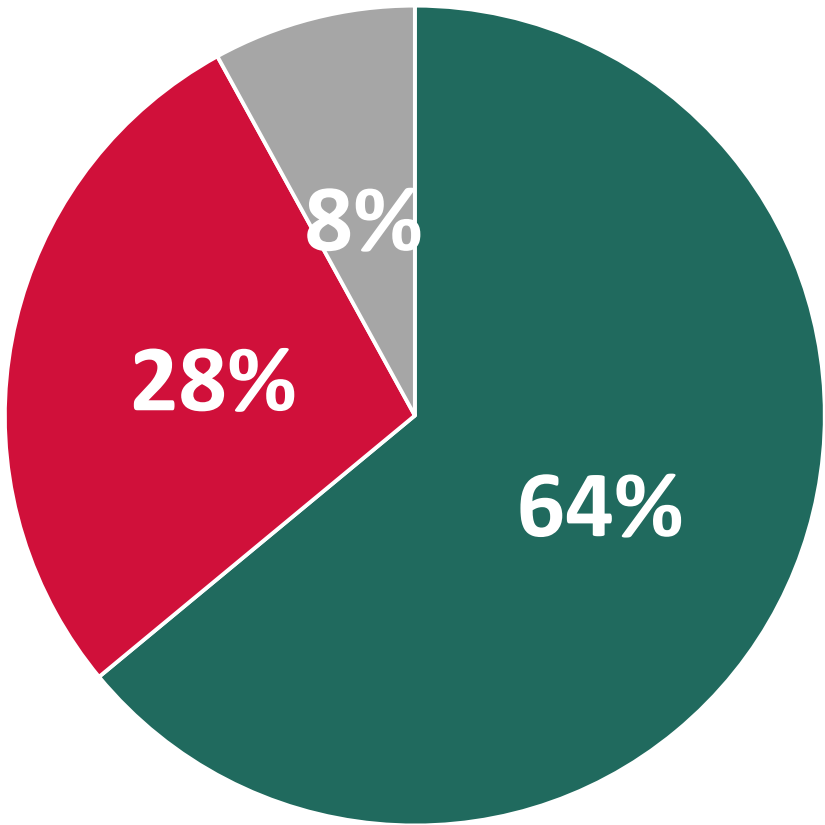


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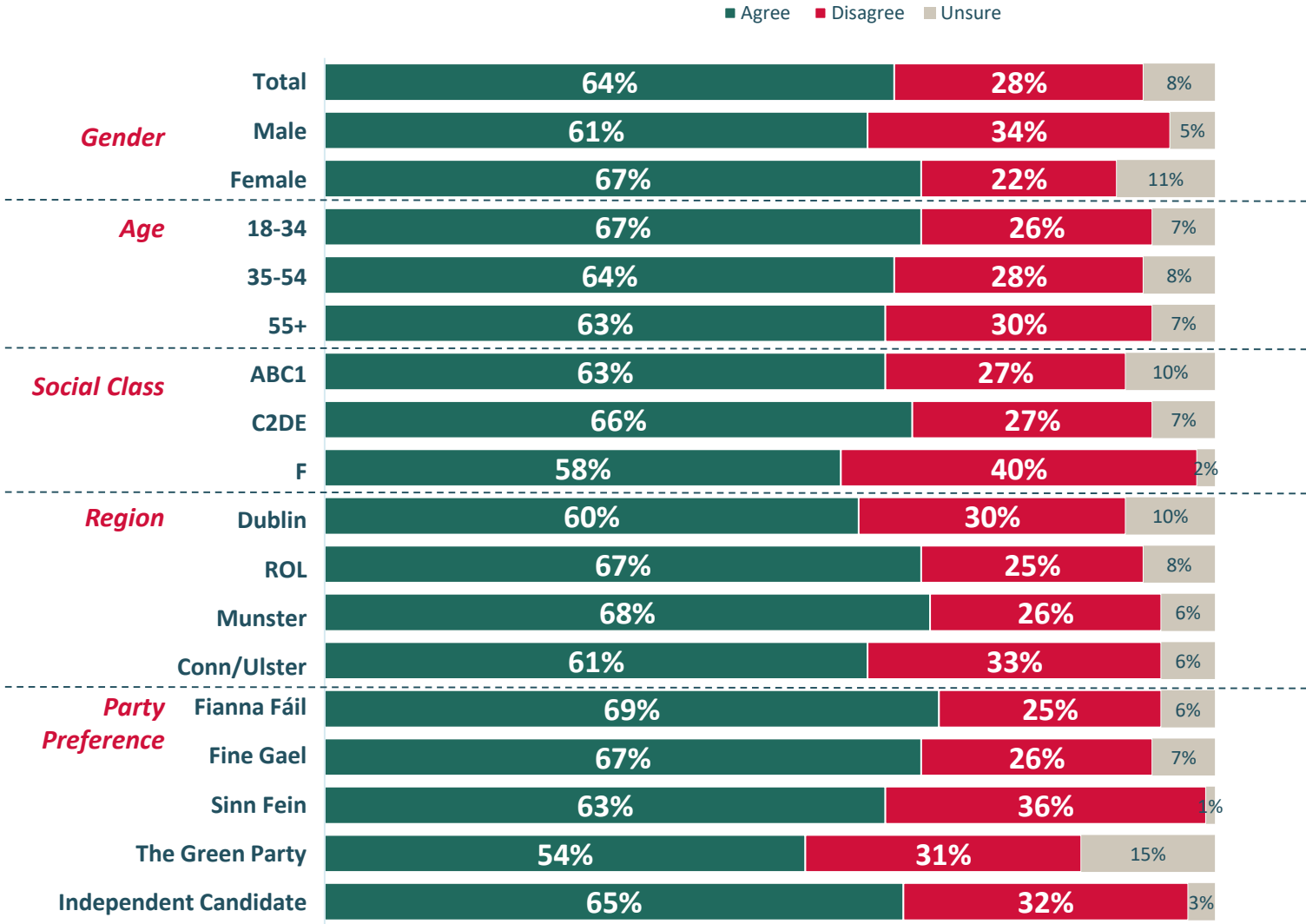


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