Public Opinion Tracking Research: 15/03/21
VACCINE MODULE
ABOUT THE RESEARCH

The research findings in this report are based on surveys by Amárach Research on behalf of the Department of Health.

The polls are conducted and reported on the same day using Amárach’s SmartPoll panel and weighted to the demographics of the 18+ adult population.

Sample size (15/03/21): n=2,000
Module: Vaccines
COVID-19 Infection – I
Are you, or have you been, infected with the coronavirus?

Yes, tested and the result was positive
Yes, suspected but not confirmed by a test
No, tested and the result was negative
No

COVID-19 Infection – II
Do you know people in your immediate social environment who are or have been infected with the coronavirus?

Yes, confirmed
Yes, suspected but not confirmed by a test
No, tested and the result was negative
No

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
What do you consider to be your own probability of getting infected with the coronavirus? Scale of 1 - 7

Demographics: % 5-7 – likely

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine
Will you get the COVID-19 vaccine when it is offered to you? Base: have not received vaccine

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Concerns

Do you have concerns about getting the COVID-19 vaccine? Base: haven't received vaccine: % YES

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Level of Concern
Demographics (base: all concerned): % 5-7 out of 7

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Timing
If you were told you could get the COVID-19 vaccine next week would you get it?
*Base: haven’t received the vaccine: % YES*

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Recipient?
Should people like you be among the first to get the COVID-19 vaccine now it is available in Ireland?
*Base: haven't received the vaccine: % YES*

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Restrictions

Once people start getting the COVID-19 vaccine in Ireland should the Government lift covid-related restrictions for everyone, including those who have not been vaccinated yet? : % YES

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine – Trust
Who do you trust when it comes to advice about vaccines? Select all that apply:

- Your GP
- The HSE
- Department of Health
- Nurses/other health professionals
- Your Pharmacist
- Others
- None of these

Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Concerns – I
For what reasons would you be unlikely to have a vaccine for the coronavirus (COVID-19) if it was offered to you?

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<td>No reason, I would not hesitate to get the vaccine</td>
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<td>I am worried about the side effects</td>
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<td>I am worried about the long term effects on my health</td>
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<td>I would wait to see how well the vaccine works</td>
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<td>I am worried about the effect on an existing health condition</td>
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<td>I do not think it will be safe</td>
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Source: Amárach Public Opinion Tracker for Department of Health
COVID-19 Vaccine Concerns – II
For what reasons would you be unlikely to have a vaccine for the coronavirus (COVID-19) if it was offered to you?

- I do not feel the coronavirus (COVID-19) is a personal risk
- I do not think it will work
- I am worried the vaccine will give me the coronavirus (COVID-19)
- I am worried it might be painful
- I am against vaccines in general
- I am pregnant and afraid of the effects on my baby
- I do not think I need the vaccine as I have already had the coronavirus (COVID-19) although I did not have a positive test
- I do not think I need the vaccine as I have already tested positive for the coronavirus (COVID-19)

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