Research New Zealand Survey October 2016: “Should Euthanasia be legalised in New Zealand?” Testing Claims

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|  | **Claim** | **Type** | **Sample Size** | **Margin of Error** | **Confidence Interval and Judgement** |
| **1** | **Table1:** In October 2016 almost $\frac{2}{3}$ of New Zealanders agree that doctors should be allowed by law to end a terminally ill patient’s life if the patients request it. (Q1) |  |  |  |  |
| **2** | **Table 2:** A higher % of New Zealanders disagree than agree that other people, such as close relatives, should be allowed to help a terminally ill patient to end their life if they request it. (Q2) |  |  |  |  |
| **3** | **Table 6:** New Zealanders with a bachelor degree or higher are less likely to agree that a doctor be allowed to end a terminally patients life than those with a secondary school qualification. (Q1) |  |  |  |  |
| **4** | **Table 11:** Someone with no qualifications is more likely to agree than disagree that a close relative can assist a terminally ill patient to end their life if the patient wishes it. (Q2) |  |  |  |  |
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| **5** | **Table 1:** There was a reduction in support for doctors assisting terminally patients to end their life in October 2016 compared to June/July 2015. (Q1) |  |  |  |  |
| **6** | **Table 4:** Older people aged 55+ were more likely to agree that a doctor can assist a terminally ill patient to end their life than those aged 18-34 (Q1) |  |  |  |  |
| **7** | **Table 12:** Maori are more likely to agree that someone else, such as a close relative, should be legally allowed to end a terminally ill patient’s life if they request it, than a NZ European. (Q2) |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | **Table 11:** The majority of people with no qualifications agree that a close relative can legally end a terminally ill person’s life if the person requests it. (Q2) |  |  |  |  |