

YouGov / Sunday Times Survey Results

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All Scottish Adults
Unweighted Sample

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	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Westminster Headline Voting Intention

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

SNP	34	0	0	0	100	2	1	5	78	6	1	8	77
Lab	32	0	100	0	0	2	96	8	11	2	94	13	12
Con	17	100	0	0	0	92	1	12	7	89	3	11	6
Lib Dem	13	0	0	100	0	2	1	74	3	2	2	69	4
Other	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	2	2	1	0	1

Westminster Other Parties Voting Intention

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

Green	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
BNP	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
UKIP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Respect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0

Westminster Non Voters

Would Not Vote	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	2	2
Don't know	13	0	0	0	0	2	4	8	3	3	3	10	3

Scottish Constituency Vote

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

SNP	42	17	14	10	95	0	0	0	100	14	4	7	94
Labour	26	2	79	2	1	0	100	0	0	2	92	7	2
Lib Dem	15	10	3	85	2	0	0	100	0	2	2	83	3
Conservative	13	70	1	2	1	100	0	0	0	81	2	3	2
Other	4	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0

Scottish Constituency Non Voters

Wouldn't vote	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Don't know	11	1	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	2

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Westminster Headline Voting Intention

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

SNP	34	70	8	33	34	30	29	41	33	35
Lab	32	14	45	34	30	38	38	23	28	35
Con	17	6	28	18	17	17	13	21	20	15
Lib Dem	13	7	16	12	14	13	14	11	15	11
Other	4	4	4	3	5	3	6	3	4	4

Westminster Other Parties Voting Intention

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

Green	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	0	1	2
BNP	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
UKIP	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Respect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	2	3	1	2	2	1	3	1	2	1

Westminster Non Voters

Would Not Vote	6	7	3	8	4	12	4	3	5	7
Don't know	13	7	13	7	17	14	15	9	10	15

Scottish Constituency Vote

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

SNP	42	80	15	43	41	34	39	50	40	43
Labour	26	8	39	28	25	33	28	20	24	29
Lib Dem	15	7	20	14	16	14	18	12	18	13
Conservative	13	2	21	11	14	15	9	15	15	11
Other	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	4

Scottish Constituency Non Voters

Wouldn't vote	6	5	3	6	5	12	2	4	5	7
Don't know	11	8	10	7	14	14	13	7	9	13

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Scottish Regional Vote

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

SNP	35	13	14	11	81	5	3	6	80	0	0	0	100
Labour	25	4	75	3	1	4	89	4	2	0	100	0	0
Lib Dem	14	8	5	69	3	3	4	74	2	0	0	100	0
Conservative	14	72	1	2	2	88	1	2	4	100	0	0	0
Other	13	4	6	16	13	1	4	14	11	0	0	0	0

Scottish Regional Other Parties Vote

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

Green	6	1	4	13	3	0	3	11	3	0	0	0	0
Scottish Socialist Party	4	1	1	1	9	0	1	1	7	0	0	0	0
Solidarity	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other	2	2	1	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0

Scottish Regional Non Voters

Wouldn't vote	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know	10	1	2	0	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0

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How would you vote if such a referendum were held tomorrow?

I would vote YES (i.e. for Scottish independence)	34	11	16	18	74	6	10	16	68	11	10	14	68
I would vote NO (i.e. against Scottish independence)	50	83	73	64	12	88	78	71	19	82	77	76	18
Don't know	13	5	10	17	12	6	11	13	13	6	12	10	14
Would not vote	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Scottish Regional Vote

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SNP	35	68	12	35	35	30	33	41	33	37
Labour	25	7	37	25	24	29	28	20	21	28
Lib Dem	14	6	20	14	14	13	15	13	16	11
Conservative	14	4	21	13	14	14	10	16	16	11
Other	13	15	10	13	13	14	14	11	13	12

Scottish Regional Other Parties Vote

[Excluding Don't Knows and Wouldn't Vote]

Green	6	5	6	6	7	11	6	3	6	6
Scottish Socialist Party	4	7	2	5	4	4	5	4	5	4
Solidarity	1	2	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	1
Other	2	2	2	1	2	0	2	2	2	2

Scottish Regional Non Voters

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Don't know	10	6	9	6	13	13	11	6	9	11

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I would vote NO (i.e. against Scottish independence)	50	0	100	52	49	51	46	54	52	49
Don't know	13	0	0	10	17	14	15	11	12	14
Would not vote	2	0	0	2	3	4	1	2	2	3

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If David Cameron wins the next general election, would this make you more likely or less likely to back Scottish independence?

[Excluding those who would vote YES]

Much more likely to back Scottish independence	12	0	8	11	12	10	14	11	13	11
Slightly more likely to back Scottish independence	13	0	10	13	12	7	19	11	15	10
Slightly less likely to back Scottish independence	2	0	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2
Much less likely to back Scottish independence	8	0	9	7	8	4	8	10	6	9
Would make no difference	65	0	69	66	65	75	56	66	63	67

Which of the following do you believe would make the best Scottish first minister?

Annabel Goldie, the Scottish Conservative leader	8	2	15	7	9	6	5	13	9	7
Iain Gray, the Labour MSP	3	0	5	4	3	4	2	4	3	3
Cathy Jamieson, the Labour MSP	7	2	11	7	7	7	9	5	6	8
Andy Kerr, the Labour MSP	5	1	8	6	3	7	3	4	3	5
Alex Salmond, the current SNP first minister	41	73	20	46	36	33	38	50	44	38
Tavish Scott, the new Scottish Liberal Democrat leader	5	2	8	6	4	5	6	4	7	3
None of the above	10	8	14	11	10	9	13	9	11	10
Don't know	21	12	20	13	29	28	24	13	16	25

As you probably know, a by-election will shortly be held in Glenrothes, which is next to Gordon Brown's constituency and was held by Labour at the last general election.

Which of these statements comes closest your view?

Gordon Brown should remain Prime Minister whatever happens in the Glenrothes by-election	46	40	54	51	42	43	48	48	49	45
If Labour loses the Glenrothes by-election, this will demonstrate that Gordon Brown is a vote-loser, and he should stand down then	19	24	18	20	18	19	19	19	20	18
Gordon Brown should stand down now as Prime Minister, and not wait for the by-election	19	24	18	19	19	16	19	22	20	19
Don't know	16	12	10	10	20	23	14	11	11	19

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Given the current 'credit crunch', and the problems of rising food and energy prices, who would you trust more to make the right decisions to help Scottish people in their everyday lives, Alex Salmond or Gordon Brown?

Alex Salmond	36	29	13	28	79	22	6	24	74	28	6	21	74
Gordon Brown	26	12	66	20	4	16	71	20	7	14	70	21	7
Would not trust either of them at all	27	55	13	43	8	59	14	48	11	56	14	50	10
Don't know	11	3	8	9	8	3	9	7	8	2	9	8	9

Alex Salmond has announced that he wishes to replace Council Tax with an increase of 3p in the pound Income Tax, so that the standard rate would rise from 20p to 23p in the pound.

Do you support or oppose this measure?

Support	46	34	31	42	77	25	25	38	75	29	27	38	73
Oppose	31	42	46	34	9	52	51	37	10	47	49	37	11
Don't know	23	24	23	24	14	23	24	25	15	24	24	25	16

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Oppose	31	13	46	33	29	35	33	26	33	30
Don't know	23	16	23	19	26	31	19	19	21	24

YouGov Weighting Data

In addition to weighting by age, gender, social class and region (weighted and unweighted figures shown in the tables), YouGov also weighted its raw data by newspaper readership and political party identification:

	Unweighted no.	Weighted no.
Age and Gender		
Male 18 to 24	32	78
Male 25 to 39	119	169
Male 40 to 54	146	180
Male 55 +	358	214
Female 18 to 24	46	77
Female 25 to 39	177	179
Female 40 to 54	139	189
Female 55 +	338	269
Social Grade		
ABC1	838	610
C2DE	517	745
Newspaper Type		
Express / Mail	197	176
Sun / Star	134	203
Mirror / Record	221	271
Guardian / Independent	90	27
FT / Times / Telegraph	131	68
Other Paper	410	407
No Paper	172	203
Political Party Identification		
Lab	565	488
Con	169	149
Lib Dem	77	136
Others	230	217
None	291	332
Don't know	23	34

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