

YouGov / SNP Survey Results

Sample Size: 1006 Scottish Adults

Fieldwork: 1st - 3rd May 2013

	Scottish Constituency Vote				Westminster voting intention				Gender		Age				Social Grade		
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	SNP	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	SNP	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE
Weighed Sample	1006	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	479	527	119	243	359	285	473	530
Unweighted Sample	1006	105	329	61	287	118	354	46	220	512	494	112	221	364	309	544	459
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

A referendum on an independent Scotland is taking place on 18 September 2014

In the event of a Yes vote, a number of areas would need to be negotiated between the Scottish and UK governments before Scotland became an independent country in 2016 - including issues such as currency, financial regulation, and the share of assets and liabilities that would accrue to Scotland and the rest of the UK.

Do you think that the UK and Scottish governments should or should not hold talks before the referendum, to help pave the way for formal negotiations should there be a Yes vote?

The Scottish and UK Governments should hold talks before the referendum	67	53	67	66	88	54	72	65	88	66	69	68	65	68	68	67	68
The Scottish and UK Governments should not hold talks before the referendum	21	39	25	34	8	39	20	34	9	26	17	12	22	22	23	26	17
Don't know	11	8	8	1	4	7	8	1	3	8	14	19	12	10	9	7	15

Do you think an independent Scotland should or should not keep the pound?

An independent Scotland should keep the pound	66	62	71	64	69	66	70	62	67	58	73	57	65	67	69	62	69
An independent Scotland should not keep the pound	19	27	19	28	18	23	20	27	20	26	12	19	16	22	18	21	17
Don't know	15	11	10	8	13	12	10	11	13	15	15	23	19	11	13	16	14

Thinking about the independence debate so far and what you have heard from the No campaign...

How convincing a case, if at all, do you think the No campaign have made to persuade you that Scotland would gain more devolved powers if there was a No vote in the referendum?

Very convincing	11	28	13	21	2	25	12	19	3	12	10	9	6	15	11	10	11
Fairly convincing	22	33	29	41	9	33	27	43	9	24	21	15	19	23	27	22	23
TOTAL CONVINCING	33	61	42	62	11	58	39	62	12	36	31	24	25	38	38	32	34
Not very convincing	25	16	23	19	33	19	24	17	32	25	24	23	32	20	25	25	25
Not convincing at all	22	7	9	11	50	6	11	11	54	26	18	23	18	22	23	27	17
TOTAL NOT VERY/ AT ALL CONVINCING	47	23	32	30	83	25	35	28	86	51	42	46	50	42	48	52	42
Don't know	20	16	26	8	6	17	25	11	2	13	27	30	25	20	13	17	24

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If the Yes Scotland campaign persuaded you that an independent Scotland would be fairer and wealthier compared to the UK, would you be more or less likely to vote for an independent Scotland in the referendum?

More likely to vote for an independent Scotland	35	9	30	21	57	8	35	28	53	34	35	41	39	36	26	33	36
Less likely to vote for an independent Scotland	2	4	2	2	1	3	2	3	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	2	2
No difference, I would vote for an independent Scotland anyway	12	2	2	10	33	1	4	6	39	15	9	9	11	12	12	14	9
No difference, I would against an independent Scotland anyway	43	85	59	67	4	86	52	63	2	43	43	37	35	41	55	44	42
Don't know	9	0	7	0	5	1	7	0	4	6	12	10	13	9	5	6	11

There have been media reports about the No campaign accepting a £500,000 donation from Mr Ian Taylor.

Mr Taylor is the chief executive of the oil trading firm Vitol which has previously been fined after admitting making payments to the national oil company in Iraq during the regime of Saddam Hussein, and are reported to have paid \$1m to the Serbian paramilitary Arkan as part of an oil deal in the 1990s. Vitol are also in discussion with HMRC over links to tax avoidance schemes in the UK. The company said it had not acted illegally.

There has been no suggestion that the donation is illegal or has broken any rules and the donation has been given by Mr Taylor in a personal capacity.

Do you believe that the No campaign should or should not return this donation?

Should return this donation	43	16	32	46	75	17	37	38	80	44	41	31	41	44	47	48	38
Should not return this donation	34	69	39	42	14	70	35	47	11	40	29	43	32	35	31	36	33
Don't know	23	15	29	13	11	13	28	15	9	16	30	26	27	21	22	16	29