

YouGov / Children 1st
Sample Size - 1021 Scottish Adults

Fieldwork - 30th Jan - 1st Feb 2015

Total	Gender		Age				
Base	Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55+

For the following question, please think about the laws that offer protection from any form of assault by an adult (e.g. hitting, smacking, or any form of physical violence). Which ONE of the following do you MOST agree with?

Unweighted base	1021	512	509	84	127	159	219	432
Base: All Scottish Adults	1021	485	536	125	148	166	211	372
Children (under the age of 16) should have more protection than adults	60%	56%	63%	55%	61%	59%	66%	58%
Children (under the age of 16) and adults should have the same amount of protection	32%	34%	31%	31%	28%	31%	30%	35%
Adults should have more protection than children (under the age of 16)	2%	4%	0%	-	3%	4%	0%	2%
Don't know	6%	6%	6%	14%	7%	6%	4%	5%

It is currently legal in Scotland for parents/ guardians to use physical punishment (including hitting/ smacking) to discipline their child(ren) (under the age of 16), and is seen by law as 'justifiable assault', as long as it does not involve contact to the child's head, shaking, or use of any implements. Which ONE of the following do you MOST agree with?

Unweighted base	1021	512	509	84	127	159	219	432
Base: All Scottish Adults	1021	485	536	125	148	166	211	372
The law should remain the same	67%	75%	61%	58%	66%	66%	67%	72%
The law should be changed so that parents cannot use physical punishment in any way	21%	16%	26%	33%	22%	20%	21%	17%
Neither of these	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know	11%	10%	13%	9%	12%	14%	12%	11%

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