

# YouGov / Countryside Alliance Survey Results

Sample Size: 1031 Scottish Adults  
Fieldwork: 19th - 23rd February 2018

	Vote in 2017				EU Ref 2016		Indy Ref 2014		Gender		Age				Social Grade				
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	SNP	Remain	Leave	Yes	No	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE
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Thinking back to the General Election last year, which issues had the most influence on your vote?

[Full verbatim answers on Tab 1]

Brexit	21	30	15	12	27	23	26	22	21	24	18	16	16	27	24	29	24	14	15
Scottish Independence (support and oppose)	6	8	4	10	12	8	7	8	6	7	6	5	6	8	7	6	7	7	6
NHS & Health	4	1	11	11	3	6	4	5	5	5	4	4	5	2	6	5	5	3	4
Immigration	4	8	5	4	3	3	8	4	5	5	4	0	2	6	7	3	2	9	4
The economy	3	5	1	8	3	4	3	3	4	5	2	2	3	4	4	6	5	1	1
Welfare	2	1	3	3	3	3	1	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	3
Tax	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	0	4	1	0	2
Fairness and equality	2	0	3	0	4	3	0	4	1	2	2	2	3	2	0	3	3	1	2
Keeping SNP out of power	2	5	1	5	0	2	2	0	3	2	1	1	0	3	3	1	2	1	1
Scottish Issues	2	0	0	2	6	2	1	4	1	2	2	6	2	2	2	2	4	1	0
Housing	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	1
Austerity	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Education	1	0	1	3	2	2	1	2	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Other	4	8	4	3	4	5	5	4	5	5	4	4	3	4	6	6	3	6	3
Did not vote	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	4	3	1	2	2	2	2	3
Don't know	45	34	50	41	33	38	41	39	45	38	52	55	54	36	36	33	42	52	54

Thinking back to the General Election last year, which of the following issues had the most influence on your vote? (Please rank your top five)

NHS

Ranked first	18	9	31	27	20	20	19	16	20	12	23	14	19	14	23	19	18	17	18
Ranked second	17	14	17	20	22	20	14	18	16	16	17	21	12	21	19	18	20	15	14
Ranked third	12	17	12	10	12	13	15	12	13	13	12	12	11	15	12	18	11	12	10
Ranked fourth	10	14	8	10	10	12	10	11	11	9	10	8	9	11	11	10	10	9	11
Ranked fifth	7	6	7	9	7	9	3	7	8	9	5	7	7	8	7	10	7	7	6
Not ranked	23	33	17	13	21	20	31	23	24	29	17	12	25	24	22	17	25	24	24
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

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**Economy**

Ranked first	9	16	8	7	7	10	9	8	10	13	4	13	6	9	11	15	9	6	5
Ranked second	11	17	9	12	11	12	12	9	12	11	11	8	10	12	13	10	14	11	8
Ranked third	11	16	11	11	10	13	12	10	14	13	10	9	10	15	11	15	10	12	10
Ranked fourth	10	11	11	11	11	10	12	11	10	11	8	4	10	10	12	11	7	13	9
Ranked fifth	9	6	9	11	10	8	8	9	10	9	8	4	9	8	11	8	9	5	11
Not ranked	37	28	44	36	43	39	38	41	36	31	44	37	38	38	36	33	39	38	38
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Scottish independence**

Ranked first	13	14	4	11	23	16	11	20	9	15	11	9	13	19	9	15	15	13	11
Ranked second	6	6	3	7	11	9	4	9	5	7	6	3	7	6	7	7	6	7	5
Ranked third	6	5	3	5	9	8	5	8	5	6	5	4	5	8	6	6	6	6	4
Ranked fourth	4	2	3	3	7	5	3	6	3	5	3	3	7	1	1	2	5	5	3
Ranked fifth	5	2	3	6	9	7	4	7	5	5	6	6	6	3	8	7	6	1	6
Not ranked	52	65	77	56	32	49	65	39	65	50	54	51	46	55	63	56	50	51	53
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Immigration and Asylum**

Ranked first	7	13	6	2	3	3	13	5	9	7	6	1	5	8	10	4	3	12	9
Ranked second	8	12	7	5	8	5	15	9	8	10	6	3	5	13	10	9	7	7	8
Ranked third	7	10	8	4	5	5	8	6	8	7	7	3	7	6	9	6	8	4	8
Ranked fourth	7	13	6	9	4	6	9	6	7	6	8	6	5	7	11	5	10	8	4
Ranked fifth	7	8	8	10	6	8	7	6	9	6	8	8	7	9	6	6	9	11	5
Not ranked	51	37	57	59	66	64	38	56	51	53	50	54	54	50	47	63	52	43	48
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Education**

Ranked first	3	3	5	6	1	3	3	2	3	3	3	4	3	1	3	2	4	3	2
Ranked second	6	5	10	1	7	7	6	8	6	4	9	9	7	2	7	10	6	7	3
Ranked third	8	7	10	11	8	10	7	6	10	6	10	4	10	7	8	7	9	7	10
Ranked fourth	7	8	11	7	8	7	8	6	8	7	8	10	7	8	6	10	8	5	7
Ranked fifth	7	9	8	11	7	8	7	6	8	7	7	9	6	9	7	5	7	9	9
Not ranked	55	61	48	52	61	58	61	60	55	62	48	39	49	65	62	59	55	54	52
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Welfare benefits**

Ranked first	4	1	4	4	4	4	3	5	2	2	5	1	4	4	3	1	2	1	8
Ranked second	5	3	9	3	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	7	5	4	3	4	8	6
Ranked third	7	3	8	9	8	8	6	8	6	6	7	6	6	9	6	5	7	5	9
Ranked fourth	7	10	6	6	8	8	7	7	7	8	6	5	5	11	6	7	8	4	7
Ranked fifth	6	8	4	3	8	5	9	7	5	6	6	3	5	8	6	6	5	9	5
Not ranked	59	69	62	63	61	63	62	55	65	62	56	60	55	56	69	70	63	57	48
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

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**Tax**

Ranked first	1	2	2	0	0	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	0	4	1	1	0
Ranked second	4	8	4	9	2	4	6	3	7	5	4	2	6	6	2	7	3	3	5
Ranked third	6	8	8	6	3	6	5	4	7	6	6	9	5	6	6	8	6	6	5
Ranked fourth	6	6	8	1	5	5	7	4	8	6	5	2	5	8	7	7	6	6	5
Ranked fifth	9	15	8	8	7	9	11	8	10	11	7	15	8	10	8	12	10	9	6
Not ranked	60	55	63	65	74	67	60	69	57	59	61	46	58	61	71	55	63	59	62
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**The EU and Brexit**

Ranked first	23	27	18	25	26	25	26	22	25	27	19	27	20	26	24	27	27	20	19
Ranked second	12	14	12	16	14	15	11	12	12	14	9	10	11	14	10	15	12	9	10
Ranked third	7	10	6	7	7	8	7	6	7	7	6	4	7	6	8	8	8	7	4
Ranked fourth	7	6	6	7	9	8	7	8	7	6	7	5	6	8	8	4	5	12	7
Ranked fifth	6	8	9	6	6	7	7	6	7	5	6	3	6	8	4	7	8	5	4
Not ranked	33	29	41	28	29	31	34	34	33	28	37	25	32	30	39	31	29	31	38
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Pensions**

Ranked first	3	3	4	3	2	3	4	2	3	2	3	0	1	2	7	1	3	2	4
Ranked second	4	7	5	2	3	4	6	3	6	4	5	0	2	7	7	6	1	6	6
Ranked third	5	5	7	4	6	5	8	7	4	6	4	1	5	5	8	6	4	6	6
Ranked fourth	5	10	5	6	3	6	5	4	7	6	5	1	3	9	7	8	5	5	3
Ranked fifth	5	9	5	4	5	5	8	5	6	5	5	2	4	4	9	5	6	3	6
Not ranked	64	60	66	71	73	71	60	67	65	66	63	70	67	65	56	68	69	61	58
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Housing**

Ranked first	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	1	1	2	1	3	2	0	1	2	3	1
Ranked second	4	1	7	2	3	5	3	4	4	3	5	1	4	2	7	2	4	3	6
Ranked third	4	3	5	1	5	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	2	5	6	4	5	3	4
Ranked fourth	5	2	8	3	5	5	4	7	5	5	6	10	5	5	5	6	5	5	6
Ranked fifth	6	5	10	4	7	6	9	7	7	7	6	5	6	8	5	6	6	9	5
Not ranked	66	82	61	78	69	71	71	64	71	69	62	54	63	72	70	75	68	61	59
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**The Environment**

Ranked first	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	5	1	2	0	0	1	0	3
Ranked second	2	1	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	3	1	1
Ranked third	4	0	3	6	6	4	2	6	2	5	3	5	5	2	3	4	5	5	2
Ranked fourth	6	2	9	7	6	7	5	6	6	6	6	8	7	7	3	7	7	4	6
Ranked fifth	5	6	4	1	4	5	5	6	4	4	5	3	4	4	7	5	4	5	6
Not ranked	69	83	72	71	72	72	78	66	76	70	68	51	63	77	79	75	69	69	64
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

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**Family life and childcare**

Ranked first	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	1	2	1
Ranked second	3	2	4	4	3	3	4	3	3	2	5	8	5	0	2	1	5	3	4
Ranked third	3	1	6	4	2	3	3	3	4	2	4	1	5	2	2	2	4	4	3
Ranked fourth	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	0	3	2	2	2	2	1	3
Ranked fifth	4	1	7	5	4	4	4	5	3	3	5	2	4	4	4	4	4	1	5
Not ranked	73	86	72	71	79	80	77	74	77	80	66	63	63	84	83	83	73	73	65
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Transport**

Ranked first	1	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	0
Ranked second	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
Ranked third	2	4	2	2	3	2	4	2	2	3	1	4	2	2	2	4	1	3	2
Ranked fourth	4	1	3	4	4	4	3	5	3	4	4	5	4	2	4	4	4	3	3
Ranked fifth	2	3	2	3	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	4	1	0	2
Not ranked	78	84	82	79	83	83	80	80	81	78	77	65	72	85	86	79	81	74	75
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Land reform**

Ranked first	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked second	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked third	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked fourth	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Ranked fifth	1	0	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Not ranked	85	92	91	85	90	91	89	86	89	86	84	74	81	91	91	90	88	83	80
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Animal welfare**

Ranked first	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked second	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	4	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
Ranked third	1	1	1	0	2	1	2	2	0	0	2	4	0	1	1	0	1	2	1
Ranked fourth	2	2	3	2	2	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	4
Ranked fifth	2	1	1	4	2	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Not ranked	81	89	86	82	85	87	84	81	86	84	78	63	78	88	87	88	83	77	74
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Hunting with dogs**

Ranked first	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Ranked second	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked third	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Ranked fourth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ranked fifth	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	2	2
Not ranked	84	91	90	88	89	90	89	85	89	87	82	73	80	89	91	91	86	79	80
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

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<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>1031</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>226</b>
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**Development of wind farms and renewable energy**

Ranked first	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Ranked second	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
Ranked third	1	0	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	2
Ranked fourth	2	2	2	5	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2	1	4	5	2	0	2	2
Ranked fifth	2	2	3	0	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	1	1	1
Not ranked	81	89	86	79	84	85	86	81	86	83	79	67	77	88	86	84	82	82	75
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Broadband and mobile connectivity**

Ranked first	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked second	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
Ranked third	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Ranked fourth	1	0	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	2	0	3	1	0	1	2	1	1	0
Ranked fifth	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	2	1	2	1	0	1
Not ranked	84	90	91	80	89	90	87	86	88	86	83	71	81	90	90	89	87	82	80
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**Named person scheme**

Ranked first	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Ranked second	1	1	1	4	0	1	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ranked third	1	2	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0
Ranked fourth	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
Ranked fifth	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	0
Not ranked	83	86	90	81	90	89	86	86	85	83	83	74	80	88	88	90	83	80	79
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

**The Forth Road Bridge**

Ranked first	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ranked second	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ranked third	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ranked fourth	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Ranked fifth	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Not ranked	85	92	92	88	91	91	90	86	89	87	83	71	80	91	93	91	88	81	79
Don't know	13	7	8	12	8	7	9	12	9	11	15	25	17	8	6	7	11	16	18

	Vote in 2017				EU Ref 2016		Indy Ref 2014		Gender		Age				Social Grade					
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	SNP	Remain	Leave	Yes	No	Male	Female	18-24	25-49	50-64	65+	AB	C1	C2	DE	
<b>Weighted Sample</b>	<b>1031</b>	229	217	55	295	530	320	418	510	496	535	115	421	259	236	227	309	206	289	
<b>Unweighted Sample</b>	<b>1031</b>	237	236	58	317	574	317	397	513	477	554	104	417	275	235	321	327	157	226	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

**Do you think it is acceptable for farmers to shoot foxes for the purposes of protecting their livestock?**

Very acceptable	<b>21</b>	32	19	24	18	16	32	19	23	28	15	12	18	25	26	22	21	25	18
Fairly acceptable	<b>40</b>	46	42	40	38	41	40	38	44	41	40	32	38	42	47	43	39	38	41
<b>TOTAL ACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>59</b>
Not very acceptable	<b>17</b>	11	16	28	20	22	11	20	15	13	21	25	18	16	12	17	20	13	17
Not acceptable at all	<b>12</b>	6	13	8	16	14	10	15	10	10	14	18	14	8	11	11	13	12	12
<b>TOTAL NOT ACCEPTABLE</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29</b>
Don't know	<b>9</b>	5	10	0	8	8	6	8	9	8	10	13	12	8	4	6	7	12	12

**The current law in Scotland bans the hunting of wild animals (such as foxes) using dogs, but allows farmers to use dogs to flush out and shoot foxes on their land. Do you think this law should or should not be changed?**

Should be changed - to ban the use of dogs to flush out and shoot foxes	<b>42</b>	29	44	32	50	44	38	49	36	38	45	49	42	37	42	39	44	40	42
Should be changed - to allow hunting with dogs	<b>7</b>	15	5	4	3	5	10	4	9	9	5	7	6	9	6	5	5	14	5
The law should be kept as it is	<b>35</b>	45	34	55	33	33	41	32	39	39	31	24	33	38	41	41	39	29	30
Not sure	<b>16</b>	10	16	9	15	17	11	15	15	14	19	19	18	16	12	14	12	17	22