

YouGov / SNP Survey Results

Sample Size: 1607; Fieldwork: 30th March - 3rd April 2006

		Gender		Age			Social Grade	
Total		Male	Female	18 to 34	35 to 54	55 +	ABC1	C2DE
Weighted N	1607	761	846	447	587	573	868	739
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		%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Scottish Parliament Vote Intention - constituency vote (excluding don't knows, would not vote)

Lab	30	32	28	31	34	26	26	35
SNP	26	28	24	21	24	31	24	28
Lib Dem	20	17	24	25	20	17	24	16
Con	14	14	14	11	11	18	16	11
SSP	4	6	3	4	5	3	4	4
Green	4	2	6	6	4	2	4	3
Other	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	3
Would Not Vote	6	5	6	5	7	4	5	7
Don't know	14	9	19	20	12	11	14	15

Suppose there were an election for the Scottish Parliament tomorrow. How likely are you to vote, on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means definitely WILL NOT vote, and 10 means you definitely WILL vote?

0	5	5	5	6	4	5	6
1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2
2	2	1	2	2	1	2	1
3	2	2	2	3	1	2	2
4	2	1	2	2	1	2	1
5	5	3	7	7	5	5	6
6	2	1	3	3	3	1	3
7	4	3	5	6	5	3	4
8	8	8	8	8	10	6	8
9	7	8	7	10	6	6	8
10	59	65	54	51	56	69	62
Don't know	2	1	3	5	1	1	3

		Scottish Parliament Vote Intention						Likelihood of Scot Vote										
Total		Con	Lab	Lib Dem	SNP	Green	SSP	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Weighted N	1607	177	387	262	335	48	53	82	22	28	25	27	87	36	70	125	115	949
Unweighted N	1607	251	297	259	375	53	64	79	22	26	25	24	79	35	65	120	113	982
%		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Scottish Parliament Vote Intention - constituency vote (excluding don't knows, would not vote)

Lab	30	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	23	21	52	43	21	41	36	24	30	30
SNP	26	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	23	21	21	7	26	32	14	21	20	29
Lib Dem	20	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	15	23	15	14	23	12	29	29	22	19
Con	14	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	30	12	16	16	10	7	18	19	13
SSP	4	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	8	4	5	4
Green	4	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	9	0	0	8	9	0	4	4	4	3
Other	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	12	5	0	1	1	0	2
Would Not Vote	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Don't know	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	33	59	24	31	22	27	23	7	8

Suppose there were an election for the Scottish Parliament tomorrow. How likely are you to vote, on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means definitely WILL NOT vote, and 10 means you definitely WILL vote?

0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	2	1	1	1	2	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	2	3	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	5	5	3	5	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0
6	2	2	3	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0
7	4	2	5	6	2	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0
8	8	10	6	11	6	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0
9	7	11	8	9	6	8	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0
10	59	62	67	64	75	62	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Don't know	2	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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If there were an election to the Scottish Parliament tomorrow, and thinking about the first, constituency vote, how would you vote?

Labour	25	29	23	24	29	23	23	29
Scottish National Party	22	25	19	16	21	28	21	24
Liberal Democrat	17	15	19	20	18	15	20	14
Conservative	12	13	11	9	10	16	14	9
Scottish Socialist Party	4	5	2	3	4	3	4	3
Green	3	2	5	5	3	2	4	2
Some other party	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Don't know	15	9	20	22	13	12	14	16

Do you support or oppose Scotland becoming a country independent from the rest of the United Kingdom?

Support Scottish independence	46	47	45	46	47	45	42	51
Oppose Scottish independence	39	43	35	35	35	45	43	33
Don't know	15	10	20	19	18	10	14	16

Regardless of whether you support or oppose independence, do you agree or disagree with this statement?

'The right way to settle the issue of independence is by a referendum of the people of Scotland, rather than in any other way'

Strongly agree	48	54	42	38	50	54	45	51
Tend to agree	34	31	38	38	34	32	37	32
Tend to disagree	8	7	9	9	7	8	9	6
Strongly disagree	4	5	3	2	5	4	5	3
Don't know	6	3	9	12	5	2	4	8

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		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

Here are a number of prominent Scottish politicians. In each case, how much would you say you know about them?

Alasdair Darling MP

I know a lot about them	12	16	8	9	10	16	15	8
I know something about them	43	52	34	35	42	49	45	39
I have heard of them, but know little about them	37	27	46	38	42	31	33	42
I have not heard of them	4	2	6	8	4	2	4	5
Not sure	4	3	6	9	2	3	3	6

Colin Fox MSP

I know a lot about them	5	7	3	6	4	4	5	4
I know something about them	14	20	9	14	15	13	17	10
I have heard of them, but know little about them	32	33	31	27	31	37	30	34
I have not heard of them	44	37	50	45	46	41	43	45
Not sure	5	3	7	8	3	4	4	7

Murdo Fraser MSP

I know a lot about them	3	5	2	4	2	4	3	3
I know something about them	10	13	9	8	9	13	12	9
I have heard of them, but know little about them	34	34	33	31	32	38	33	35
I have not heard of them	47	44	50	48	53	41	48	47
Not sure	5	4	6	9	4	4	4	7

Annabel Goldie MSP

I know a lot about them	12	18	8	8	10	18	16	8
I know something about them	29	32	26	17	29	39	33	25
I have heard of them, but know little about them	30	28	32	33	32	25	27	34
I have not heard of them	24	19	28	35	25	14	21	27
Not sure	4	2	7	7	4	4	2	7

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Robin Harper MSP

I know a lot about them	8	11	6	8	7	9	11	5
I know something about them	17	20	14	10	17	22	22	11
I have heard of them, but know little about them	21	22	21	20	19	25	20	23
I have not heard of them	48	43	53	54	53	39	44	53
Not sure	6	4	7	7	4	5	3	8

Jack McConnell MSP

I know a lot about them	45	54	37	42	44	49	50	40
I know something about them	39	36	42	37	41	39	37	41
I have heard of them, but know little about them	11	6	15	12	10	10	9	13
I have not heard of them	3	2	3	4	3	1	3	2
Not sure	2	2	3	5	1	1	2	3

Alex Salmond MP

I know a lot about them	51	62	41	43	49	58	55	46
I know something about them	36	32	40	33	41	33	35	38
I have heard of them, but know little about them	9	4	12	12	7	8	7	10
I have not heard of them	2	1	4	7	1	0	2	4
Not sure	2	2	2	5	1	0	1	2

Nicol Stephen MSP

I know a lot about them	13	17	9	9	12	16	16	9
I know something about them	23	27	20	20	24	26	28	18
I have heard of them, but know little about them	25	26	24	23	26	24	20	30
I have not heard of them	35	29	41	41	35	30	34	36
Not sure	4	3	6	6	3	4	2	7

Nicola Sturgeon MSP

I know a lot about them	25	32	19	17	23	33	29	21
I know something about them	35	36	33	34	36	34	36	33
I have heard of them, but know little about them	24	22	26	28	27	19	21	28
I have not heard of them	13	8	18	16	12	12	12	15
Not sure	3	2	3	5	2	2	2	4

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Jo Swinson MP

I know a lot about them	3	4	2	3	4	2	4	2
I know something about them	10	12	8	9	9	12	11	9
I have heard of them, but know little about them	24	27	22	21	23	26	24	24
I have not heard of them	58	55	61	61	60	55	59	58
Not sure	5	2	7	6	4	4	3	7

Taking what you know about the case of Shirley McKie, do you think there should be a full public inquiry into the actions of the Scottish Executive and the Scottish Criminal Records Office in this case?

Yes, there should be a public inquiry	66	72	60	49	68	77	67	64
No, there should not be a public inquiry	10	11	10	10	10	10	11	9
Don't know	24	17	30	41	22	13	21	27

Leaving aside you own party preferences, which of these politicians do you think would make the best First Minister for Scotland?

Alex Salmond (Scottish National Party)	30	36	25	24	29	36	29	32
Jack McConnell (Labour)	19	20	18	22	19	17	21	17
Annabelle Goldie (Conservative)	9	10	8	6	7	14	10	8
Nicol Stephen (Liberal Democrat)	7	7	6	7	7	7	9	5
Robin Harper (Green)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Colin Fox (Scottish Socialist Party)	1	2	1	1	3	0	1	2
Don't know	31	23	39	39	33	24	28	35

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As you probably know, the election system used to elect the Scottish Parliament makes it unlikely that any one party can govern Scotland on its own; two or more parties have to work together. If there were to be a coalition, and these were the available options, which one would you prefer?

Labour and Liberal Democrats	25	27	24	28	26	23	27	24
Labour and the SNP	15	14	16	13	16	15	12	18
SNP and Liberal Democrats	28	29	27	25	27	32	30	26
None of the above	21	22	20	14	23	25	23	19
Don't know	11	8	13	20	9	5	9	13

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

'The SNP and Greens were right to hold talks, as they did recently, to see if they can co-operate in a future government of Scotland.'

Strongly agree	21	25	18	25	19	21	22	21
Tend to agree	45	47	43	36	48	48	47	42
Tend to disagree	10	11	9	8	12	9	10	10
Strongly disagree	4	4	4	2	4	6	4	4
Don't know	20	14	26	29	17	16	17	23

'The Labour Party has been in power too long in Scotland; it's time for a change'

Strongly agree	32	38	27	23	30	42	36	28
Tend to agree	24	22	26	23	23	25	24	23
Tend to disagree	18	17	19	16	22	16	17	19
Strongly disagree	12	14	10	12	12	11	11	13
Don't know	14	9	18	26	12	5	12	16