

# POLL ON SCOTTISH INDEPENDENCE

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As the leading supplier of opinion polls within Scotland for over 30 years, TNS will be publishing regular polling in the run-up to the Scottish Independence referendum on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2014, using the exact wording which will feature on the ballot paper for the referendum vote.

This is the latest poll in this monthly series, which was published on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

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Sample size	996
Sampling points	71 Scottish parliament constituencies
Fieldwork dates	28 <sup>th</sup> January – 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2014
Interview method	Face-to-face, in-home CAPI
Population sampled	All adults aged 16+ in Scotland
Sampling method	The poll was conducted through our Omnibus, Scottish Opinion Survey. For this survey, sampling points are selected to be representative of Scotland demographically and geographically. Within each sampling point, a quota sampling method is used for respondent selection.
Data weighting	Data is weighted to the profile of all adults aged 16+ in Scotland, based on population profile estimates from the BARB (Broadcasters' Audience Research Board) Establishment Report 2011, Mid year population estimates 2011 and the 2001 Census. Weighting is carried out in relation to working status within gender, age, social grade and electoral region. Data is also weighted by recalled vote to match turnout and share of constituency vote from the 2011 Holyrood election, as recorded in SPICe Briefing 11-29 2011 Scottish Parliament Election Results. Unweighted and weighted bases are shown at the top of each data table.
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Q1. There will be a referendum on Scottish Independence on the 18th of September 2014.

How do you intend to vote in response to the question:

Should Scotland be an independent country?

BASE: All adults aged 16+ in Scotland

	Total	SEX		AGE									SEG				SEG	
		Male	Female	16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	16-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	ABC1	C2DE
Unweighted base	996	455	541	123	134	121	168	158	292	257	289	450	185	268	187	356	453	543
Weighted base	996	478	518	144	156	162	178	151	204	300	341	355	214	283	201	298	497	499
Yes	290	168	121	42	38	53	60	52	45	80	113	97	55	81	62	92	135	154
	29%	35%	23%	29%	24%	33%	33%	34%	22%	27%	33%	27%	25%	29%	31%	31%	27%	31%
No	416	196	220	58	56	63	76	52	111	114	139	163	104	128	83	100	232	184
	42%	41%	42%	40%	36%	39%	43%	34%	54%	38%	41%	46%	49%	45%	41%	34%	47%	37%
Don't know	291	114	177	44	62	46	42	48	47	106	89	95	55	74	56	105	129	161
	29%	24%	34%	31%	40%	29%	24%	32%	23%	35%	26%	27%	26%	26%	28%	35%	26%	32%

Q1. There will be a referendum on Scottish Independence on the 18th of September 2014.

How do you intend to vote in response to the question:

Should Scotland be an independent country?

BASE: All adults aged 16+ in Scotland

	Total	AREA			AREA								REFERENDUM VOTING INTENTION		
		West	East/ South	North	H&I	North East	Mid & Fife	Lothians	Central	Glasgow	West	South	Yes	No	Don't know
Unweighted base	996	393	336	267	126	128	113	136	117	108	134	134	289	432	275
Weighted base	996	411	353	232	80	129	129	129	139	130	130	130	290	416	291
Yes	290	129	97	64	27	36	24	34	42	42	39	46	290	-	-
	29%	31%	27%	28%	34%	28%	18%	27%	30%	32%	30%	36%	100%	-	-
No	416	162	153	101	27	61	65	59	49	46	58	51	-	416	-
	42%	39%	43%	44%	34%	47%	50%	46%	35%	35%	45%	39%	-	100%	-
Don't know	291	120	103	67	26	33	41	36	48	42	33	32	-	-	291
	29%	29%	29%	29%	32%	26%	32%	28%	34%	32%	25%	25%	-	-	100%

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	LIKELIHOOD OF VOTING									VOTE IN 2011						
	Total	Certain/very likely (Net)	Certain	Very likely	Quite likely	Not very likely	Certain not to vote	Not certain (Net)	Not certain / very likely (Net)	Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	SNP	Other	Can't remember	Did not vote
Unweighted base	996	833	728	105	81	52	30	268	163	72	260	57	245	22	90	250
Weighted base	996	801	688	113	90	65	40	308	195	70	159	40	228	6	129	364
Yes	290	270	244	27	11	4	4	46	19	3	23	5	153	2	20	83
	29%	34%	35%	24%	13%	6%	10%	15%	10%	4%	14%	14%	67%	35%	16%	23%
No	416	351	303	49	22	24	19	113	64	60	91	26	32	3	48	157
	42%	44%	44%	43%	24%	37%	46%	37%	33%	86%	57%	64%	14%	48%	37%	43%
Don't know	291	179	141	37	57	37	18	149	112	7	46	9	43	1	61	124
	29%	22%	21%	33%	63%	57%	44%	48%	57%	10%	29%	22%	19%	18%	47%	34%

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**Q3. How likely do you think you are to vote in the referendum on Scottish Independence on the 18th of September 2014?**  
**BASE: All adults aged 16+ in Scotland**

	Total	SEX		AGE								SEG				SEG		
		Male	Female	16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	16-34	35-54	55+	AB	C1	C2	DE	ABC1	C2DE
Unweighted base	996	455	541	123	134	121	168	158	292	257	289	450	185	268	187	356	453	543
Weighted base	996	478	518	144	156	162	178	151	204	300	341	355	214	283	201	298	497	499
<b>Any certain / very likely (Net)</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>361</b>
	<b>80%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>72%</b>
Certain to vote	688	342	346	68	79	104	141	123	172	147	246	295	179	210	118	181	389	299
	69%	71%	67%	47%	51%	64%	79%	81%	85%	49%	72%	83%	84%	74%	59%	61%	78%	60%
Very likely to vote	113	60	53	27	26	20	16	10	13	53	37	23	18	34	23	38	52	61
	11%	13%	10%	19%	16%	13%	9%	6%	7%	18%	11%	7%	8%	12%	12%	13%	10%	12%
Quite likely to vote	90	39	51	20	18	22	12	8	10	38	34	18	13	17	24	36	30	60
	9%	8%	10%	14%	12%	14%	7%	5%	5%	13%	10%	5%	6%	6%	12%	12%	6%	12%
Not very likely to vote	65	19	46	18	22	9	6	5	5	40	15	10	5	14	16	30	18	46
	7%	4%	9%	13%	14%	6%	3%	3%	2%	13%	4%	3%	2%	5%	8%	10%	4%	9%
Certain not to vote	40	18	22	11	11	6	3	6	3	22	9	9	-	8	19	13	8	32
	4%	4%	4%	8%	7%	4%	2%	4%	2%	7%	3%	3%	-	3%	10%	4%	2%	6%

**Q3. How likely do you think you are to vote in the referendum on Scottish Independence on the 18th of September 2014?**  
**BASE: All adults aged 16+ in Scotland**

	AREA			AREA								REFERENDUM VOTING INTENTION			
	Total	West	East/South	North	H&I	North East	Mid & Fife	Lothians	Central	Glasgow	West	South	Yes	No	Don't know
Unweighted base	996	393	336	267	126	128	113	136	117	108	134	134	289	432	275
Weighted base	996	411	353	232	80	129	129	129	139	130	130	130	290	416	291
<b>Any certain / very likely (Net)</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>179</b>
	<b>80%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>62%</b>
Certain to vote	688	294	248	146	53	74	95	99	108	82	93	83	244	303	141
	69%	72%	70%	63%	67%	57%	73%	76%	78%	63%	72%	64%	84%	73%	49%
Very likely to vote	113	50	31	32	9	21	11	13	14	18	14	14	27	49	37
	11%	12%	9%	14%	11%	16%	8%	10%	10%	14%	11%	11%	9%	12%	13%
Quite likely to vote	90	35	33	22	7	16	11	9	8	14	12	14	11	22	57
	9%	9%	9%	10%	8%	12%	9%	7%	5%	11%	9%	11%	4%	5%	20%
Not very likely to vote	65	21	19	24	8	16	7	5	3	11	6	10	4	24	37
	7%	5%	6%	10%	10%	12%	6%	4%	2%	9%	4%	7%	1%	6%	13%
Certain not to vote	40	11	22	8	3	4	5	4	7	5	5	9	4	19	18
	4%	3%	6%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	5%	4%	4%	7%	1%	5%	6%

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**Q3. How likely do you think you are to vote in the referendum on Scottish Independence on the 18th of September 2014?**  
**BASE: All adults aged 16+ in Scotland**

	LIKELIHOOD OF VOTING									VOTE IN 2011						
	Total	Certain/very likely (Net)	Certain	Very likely	Quite likely	Not very likely	Certain not to vote	Not certain (Net)	Not certain / very likely (Net)	Conservative	Labour	Lib Dem	SNP	Other	Can't remember	Did not vote
Unweighted base	996	833	728	105	81	52	30	268	163	72	260	57	245	22	90	250
Weighted base	996	801	688	113	90	65	40	308	195	70	159	40	228	6	129	364
<b>Any certain / very likely (Net)</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>113</b>	-	-	-	<b>113</b>	-	<b>67</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>227</b>
	<b>80%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	-	-	-	<b>37%</b>	-	<b>96%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>62%</b>
Certain to vote	688	688	688	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	127	34	200	5	84	174
	69%	86%	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	92%	80%	86%	88%	90%	65%	48%
Very likely to vote	113	113	-	113	-	-	-	113	-	3	18	3	15	1	21	53
	11%	14%	-	100%	-	-	-	37%	-	4%	11%	7%	6%	10%	16%	15%
Quite likely to vote	90	-	-	-	90	-	-	90	90	3	12	1	11	-	15	48
	9%	-	-	-	100%	-	-	29%	46%	4%	8%	2%	5%	-	12%	13%
Not very likely to vote	65	-	-	-	-	65	-	65	65	-	1	1	3	-	7	53
	7%	-	-	-	-	100%	-	21%	33%	-	1%	2%	1%	-	6%	15%
Certain not to vote	40	-	-	-	-	-	40	40	40	-	1	1	-	-	2	37
	4%	-	-	-	-	-	100%	13%	21%	-	*	3%	-	-	1%	10%

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**Q4. The last Scottish Parliament election was held in May 2011. For which party did you vote for your constituency MSP in that election?**  
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	Total	SEX		AGE								SEG				SEG		
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Weighted base	996	478	518	144	156	162	178	151	204	300	341	355	214	283	201	298	497	499
Did not vote	364	194	170	107	96	63	48	30	20	203	111	50	52	101	87	124	153	211
	37%	41%	33%	75%	62%	39%	27%	20%	10%	68%	33%	14%	24%	36%	43%	42%	31%	42%
Conservative	70	24	45	1	4	9	15	11	29	5	24	40	29	18	12	11	47	23
	7%	5%	9%	1%	3%	6%	9%	7%	14%	2%	7%	11%	14%	6%	6%	4%	9%	5%
Labour	159	76	84	9	18	22	34	27	49	27	56	76	33	40	39	47	73	86
	16%	16%	16%	7%	11%	14%	19%	18%	24%	9%	17%	21%	15%	14%	19%	16%	15%	17%
Liberal Democrat	40	15	25	3	6	5	8	8	9	9	13	17	14	14	4	8	28	12
	4%	3%	5%	2%	4%	3%	4%	5%	4%	3%	4%	5%	6%	5%	2%	3%	6%	2%
S.N.P.	228	117	111	9	19	43	45	51	60	28	88	111	60	66	36	65	126	102
	23%	25%	21%	6%	12%	27%	25%	34%	29%	9%	26%	31%	28%	23%	18%	22%	25%	20%
Other candidate or party	6	2	4	*	*	-	2	1	3	1	2	3	2	3	1	1	4	2
	1%	*	1%	*	*	-	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	*	1%	*
Can't remember	129	50	79	13	12	19	27	22	36	26	46	58	24	42	23	40	66	64
	13%	10%	15%	9%	8%	12%	15%	15%	17%	9%	13%	16%	11%	15%	12%	14%	13%	13%



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Weighted base	996	411	353	232	80	129	129	129	139	130	130	130	290	416	291
Did not vote	364	163	124	77	22	50	37	42	46	51	59	57	83	157	124
	37%	40%	35%	33%	28%	38%	28%	32%	33%	40%	46%	44%	29%	38%	43%
Conservative	70	18	33	19	6	10	12	17	9	5	2	8	3	60	7
	7%	4%	9%	8%	7%	8%	10%	13%	7%	4%	2%	6%	1%	14%	2%
Labour	159	77	56	26	8	14	25	22	28	21	22	19	23	91	46
	16%	19%	16%	11%	10%	11%	19%	17%	20%	16%	17%	15%	8%	22%	16%
Liberal Democrat	40	15	14	11	7	4	9	5	3	6	3	3	5	26	9
	4%	4%	4%	5%	9%	3%	7%	4%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%	6%	3%
S.N.P.	228	83	84	61	26	32	23	33	36	24	26	28	153	32	43
	23%	20%	24%	26%	32%	24%	18%	25%	26%	18%	20%	22%	53%	8%	15%
Other candidate or party	6	2	1	2	1	1	*	1	1	1	-	*	2	3	1
	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*	-	*	1%	1%	*
Can't remember	129	52	41	36	10	19	23	10	16	22	17	13	20	48	61
	13%	13%	12%	15%	13%	15%	18%	7%	11%	17%	13%	10%	7%	12%	21%

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Table 3

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Weighted base	996	801	688	113	90	65	40	308	195	70	159	40	228	6	129	364
Did not vote	364	227	174	53	48	53	37	191	138	-	-	-	-	-	-	364
	37%	28%	25%	47%	53%	82%	92%	62%	71%	-	-	-	-	-	-	100%
Conservative	70	67	64	3	3	-	-	6	3	70	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7%	8%	9%	2%	3%	-	-	2%	2%	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Labour	159	145	127	18	12	1	1	32	14	-	159	-	-	-	-	-
	16%	18%	18%	16%	14%	2%	1%	10%	7%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-
Liberal Democrat	40	37	34	3	1	1	1	5	3	-	-	40	-	-	-	-
	4%	5%	5%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	-	-	100%	-	-	-	-
S.N.P.	228	215	200	15	11	3	-	28	13	-	-	-	228	-	-	-
	23%	27%	29%	13%	12%	4%	-	9%	7%	-	-	-	100%	-	-	-
Other candidate or party	6	6	5	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	100%	-	-
Can't remember	129	105	84	21	15	7	2	45	24	-	-	-	-	-	129	-
	13%	13%	12%	19%	17%	11%	4%	15%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	100%	-