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Scottish Attitudes Poll

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On behalf of Michael Marra, University of Dundee 13/03/14 - 1,002 respondents

Methodology

Fieldwork Dates

6th – 7th March2014

Data Collection Method

The survey was conducted via online panel. Invitations to complete surveys were sent out to members of the panel. Differential response rates from different demographic groups were taken into account.

Population Sampled

All residents aged 16+ in Scotland.

Sample Size

1,002

Data Weighting

Data were weighted to the profile of all residents of Scotland aged 16+. Data were weighted by age, sex, region of Scotland and past vote. Targets for the weighted data were derived from 2011 Census data and the results of the 2011 Scottish Parliament election (constituency vote).

Margin of Error

Because only a sample of the full population was interviewed, all results are subject to margin of error, meaning that not all differences are statistically significant. For example, in a question where 50% (the worst case scenario as far as margin of error is concerned) gave a particular answer, with a sample of 1,002 it is 95% certain that the 'true' value will fall within the range of 3.1% from the sample result. Subsamples from the cross-breaks will be subject to higher margin of error, conclusions drawn from cross-breaks with very small sub-samples should be treated with caution.

Voting Intention

In order to assess voting intention for the independence referendum, Scottish Parliament election and Westminster election, we first asked respondents how likely they would be to vote in each of those elections on a scale of 0-10. This likelihood to vote for was then used to weight voters' responses, such that respondents replying "10" were weighted by a factor of 1.0, whilst those responding "9" were weighted by a factor of 0.9, and so on down to responses of "0" being excluded altogether.

Respondents were then asked who they would be most likely to vote for if that election were tomorrow, with the responses "Labour", "Conservative", "Liberal Democrat" and "SNP" prompted in a randomising order, and other parties displayed if respondents selected "Another Party", or the responses "Yes" and "No" displayed in a randomising order for the referendum voting question. When asked who they would be most likely to vote for with their regional list vote, the responses "Scottish Green Party", and "UKIP" were also prompted in a randomising order. These responses were not prompted for other questions about voting intention.



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Question presentation

In all questions where the responses are a list of parties, names or statements, these will typically have been displayed to respondents in a randomising order. The only questions which would not have had randomising responses would be those in which there was a natural order to maintain – e.g. a scale from "strongly agree" to "strongly disagree", a list of numbers from 0 to 10 or questions which had factual rather than opinion-related answers such as demographic information. "Other", "Don't know" and "Refused" responses are not randomised.

Not all questions will have necessarily been asked to all respondents – this is because they may be follow-on questions from previous questions or only appropriate to certain demographic groups. Lower response counts should make clear where this has occurred.

Data were analysed and weighted by Survation and presented by Patrick Briône and Damian Lyons Lowe.

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