Scottish Attitudes Poll (June)

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Methodology

Fieldwork Dates

6th to 10th June 2014

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

1,004

Data Weighting

Data were weighted to the profile of all adults aged 16+. Data were weighted by age, sex, region and past vote. Targets for the weighted data were derived from Office of National Statistics 2011 Census data and the 2011 Holyrood election results.

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 1,004 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 crossbreaks with very small sub-samples should be treated with caution.

Voting Intention

In order to assess voting intention, we first asked respondents how likely they would be to vote in the next election 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 list of hypothetical candidates prompted in a randomising order.



Question presentation

All data tables shown in full below, in order and wording put to respondents, including but not limited to all tables relating to published data and all relevant tables preceding them. Tables for demographic questions might not be included but these should be clear from the cross-breaks on published tables. 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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Table 38
Q25. Which of these bodies do you trust the most to make decisions in the best interests of Scotland?

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Unweighted Total Weighted Total Holyrood

Don't know

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Total 2011 Holyrood Vote Gender Employment status Full-time North East Scotlar Part-time Male Female yed Student /other 429 205 236 224 133 93 180 304 113 97 155 178 139 111 232 33 101 197 334 355 443 143 127 30 261 204 91 208 52 298 122 122 137 145 111 238 41 210 36 40.0% 16 17.2% 326 89.9% 19.9% 51.9% 47.7% 82.3% 43.4% 36.5% 50.6% 55.2% 55.6% 55.0% 55.7% 42.7% 57.3% 59.3% 50.4% 52.9% 53.1% 55.5% 16.0% 48.7% 29.2% 88.8% 36.0% 40.1% 28.1% 86.7% 23.0% 49.6% 53.5% 46.8% 55.4% 34 50 22.2% 24.4% 53 45 57.9% 21.6% 11 3.8% 12 13.9% 21 14.5% 14 34.6% 159 37.6% 15 13.6% 8 61 11.9% 21.9% 6 1.5% 16 13.6% 20 55 14 22.2% 26.4% 26.9% 49 54 52 35 31.8% 32.4% 28.8% 22.8% 41 19.9% 30 30 33 45 39 47 43 24.3% 24.2% 25.6% 35.1% 30.0% 34.2% 30.0% 12 29.4% 24 25.1% 41 65 84 118 20.4% 31.4% 32.2% 35.2% 77 53.5% 41 13.9% 41 46.1% 31 71 11 28.2% 29.9% 29.1% 28 9.5% 71 33.8% 21 42.9% 36 10.7% 31 8.6% 166 39.3% 40 32.9% 36 32.9% 29.5% 33.1% 41.2% 22.7% 145 154 168 181 154 204 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 91 208 52 298 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 89 122 122 129 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 130 131 137 145 111 238 37 300 41 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 517

