

Issues

Poll

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Methodology

Fieldwork Dates

8th January – 12th January 2016

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

1,033

Data Weighting

Data were weighted to the profile of all Scottish adults aged 16+. Data were weighted by age, sex, region, 2015 Westminster vote and 2014 referendum vote. Targets for the weighted data were derived from Office of National Statistics data, the results of the 2015 General Election and the 2014 referendum result.

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 1,033 it is 95% certain that the 'true' value will fall within the range of 3.0% 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.

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 Suration.

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Table 1

Q1. Normal weightings

Q1. Two suggestions to improve performance in schools would be to reduce class sizes to give teachers more contact time with pupils or to standardise national testing to be able to better compare performance between pupils. In terms of their relative importance, which of the following do you think would improve Scottish education the most?

Base: All Respondents

	Total	Gender		Age			Holyrood Constituency Voting Intention					2015 Past Vote				Scottish Region 8							Scottish Independence Referendum 2014		SEG				
		Male	Female	16-34	35-54	55+	LAB	CON	SNP	LD	Und	CON	LAB	LD	SNP	Glasgow	West Scotland	Lothian	Central Scotland	South Scotland	Mid Scotland & Fife	North East Scotland	Highlands & Islands	Yes	No	AB	C1	C2	DE
Unweighted Total	1033	458	575	272	390	371	163	145	428	53	155	135	175	52	359	204	149	159	113	71	113	149	75	443	466	219	334	229	251
Weighted Total	1033	501	532	307	358	368	176	132	432	56	162	114	185	57	380	133	134	185	126	82	125	166	82	406	503	213	339	223	259
Reducing class sizes	602	278	324	172	219	211	105	75	255	31	93	67	112	32	236	67	75	116	61	39	77	111	56	222	311	138	196	120	148
	58.3%	55.5%	60.9%	56.0%	61.1%	57.5%	59.8%	56.7%	59.0%	56.4%	57.3%	59.1%	60.4%	57.0%	62.0%	50.3%	55.7%	62.6%	48.2%	47.5%	62.1%	67.0%	68.8%	54.8%	61.9%	64.8%	57.9%	53.7%	57.4%
Standardising national testing	217	113	104	68	75	75	36	30	98	11	26	23	31	12	80	37	27	44	29	13	30	29	8	105	87	41	76	50	50
	21.0%	22.6%	19.5%	22.0%	20.8%	20.3%	20.3%	22.9%	22.8%	20.2%	16.0%	20.1%	17.0%	22.0%	21.0%	27.7%	20.1%	23.6%	23.2%	16.0%	23.7%	17.8%	9.5%	26.0%	17.2%	19.3%	22.3%	22.3%	19.5%
Neither	93	55	38	25	28	40	15	19	36	5	10	16	17	8	24	9	15	8	17	13	10	13	9	29	53	16	36	24	17
	9.0%	11.0%	7.1%	8.2%	7.7%	11.0%	8.6%	14.2%	8.3%	9.0%	6.2%	13.9%	9.4%	14.0%	6.3%	6.6%	11.1%	4.2%	13.6%	16.0%	8.1%	7.5%	10.4%	7.1%	10.6%	7.3%	10.6%	10.8%	6.7%
Don't know	121	55	66	42	37	41	20	8	43	8	33	8	24	4	41	21	18	18	19	17	7	13	9	49	52	18	31	29	42
	11.7%	10.9%	12.5%	13.8%	10.4%	11.2%	11.2%	6.1%	9.9%	14.4%	20.5%	6.8%	13.2%	7.1%	10.7%	15.5%	13.1%	9.6%	15.0%	20.4%	6.0%	7.7%	11.3%	12.1%	10.3%	8.6%	9.1%	13.2%	16.4%
SIGMA	1033	501	532	307	358	368	176	132	432	56	162	114	185	57	380	133	134	185	126	82	125	166	82	406	503	213	339	223	259
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Table 2

Q2. Normal weightings

Q2. Over the last five years, the cost of renting a property in Scotland has risen faster than wages. Some people support a points-based system of "rent control" where the government can set rents at a level based on the quality, size, location and facilities in the property and limit the rate at which rents can increase, arguing this would make renting more affordable for tenants. Other people oppose "rent control", arguing this would lead to shortages of properties landlords were willing to rent. Would you support or oppose proposals for the government to introduce a points-based "rent control" system in the UK?

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Strongly support	219	119	100	64	89	65	39	15	108	15	25	16	41	10	97	28	30	42	25	16	26	37	15	105	87	38	71	51	58	
	21.2%	23.7%	18.7%	20.8%	24.9%	17.8%	22.3%	11.2%	25.0%	27.3%	15.3%	14.4%	22.0%	17.0%	25.6%	21.2%	22.6%	22.5%	19.6%	19.3%	20.5%	22.3%	18.8%	25.8%	17.3%	17.9%	21.0%	22.9%	22.5%	
Somewhat support	337	149	188	115	98	123	50	43	151	19	50	31	53	23	132	44	39	60	31	24	54	55	29	143	160	77	121	65	73	
	32.6%	29.7%	35.3%	37.5%	27.4%	33.6%	28.2%	32.2%	34.9%	33.5%	30.8%	27.5%	28.9%	39.9%	34.8%	33.0%	29.0%	32.5%	24.6%	29.2%	43.7%	33.1%	35.8%	35.3%	31.9%	36.3%	35.8%	29.0%	28.4%	
Neither support nor oppose	231	114	118	59	86	87	56	29	80	13	37	28	45	12	73	33	38	41	32	24	17	33	15	73	126	50	66	52	65	
	22.4%	22.7%	22.1%	19.1%	24.0%	23.6%	31.8%	21.6%	18.4%	23.2%	23.2%	24.3%	24.2%	20.4%	19.3%	24.5%	28.2%	22.1%	25.1%	29.1%	13.6%	19.7%	18.3%	17.9%	25.1%	23.2%	19.4%	23.2%	25.0%	
Somewhat oppose	75	38	38	18	27	30	11	17	28	-	17	13	18	4	22	8	7	12	10	5	11	19	4	28	42	15	25	18	17	
	7.3%	7.6%	7.1%	6.0%	7.6%	8.1%	6.1%	12.6%	6.5%	-	10.3%	11.2%	9.8%	7.4%	5.9%	6.0%	5.3%	6.5%	7.8%	5.9%	8.6%	11.3%	5.2%	7.0%	8.4%	7.3%	7.5%	7.9%	6.6%	
Strongly oppose	50	30	20	10	25	15	6	18	15	5	5	12	8	2	13	7	8	14	3	2	3	10	4	15	30	20	14	11	5	
	4.8%	5.9%	3.8%	3.2%	6.9%	4.2%	3.5%	13.4%	3.4%	8.1%	3.4%	10.2%	4.2%	3.9%	3.5%	5.1%	5.9%	7.3%	2.2%	3.0%	2.4%	6.0%	4.3%	3.6%	6.0%	9.2%	4.3%	4.9%	1.9%	
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