

# Abortion

# Poll

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# Methodology

## Fieldwork Dates

3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2015

## 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

1,084

## 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 1,086 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 Survation.

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Table 1

Q1. Normal weightings

Q1. Abortion has been legally available to women on the NHS since 1967. Which of the following statements is closest to your opinion?

Base: Aged 18+

Unweighted Total  
 Weighted Total  
 Abortion should remain legal and available in Scotland  
 The law should be changed to make abortion less available in Scotland  
 Dont know  
 SIGMA

	Gender		Age			May 2015 General Election Vote						2016 Holyrood Voting Intention						Region								Referendum Vote		SEG				Sector		
	Male	Female	16-34	35-54	55+	CON	LAB	LD	SNP	OTHER	Did Not Vote	LAB	CON	SNP	LD	OTHER	Undecided	Highlands and Islands	South Scotland	Central Scotland	Mid Scotland and Fife	Glasgow	West Scotland	Lothian	North East Scotland	Yes	No	AB	C1	C2	DE	Public	Private	
Unweighted Total	1066	491	575	249	411	406	133	190	50	451	34	159	166	122	519	53	36	133	87	66	139	132	176	176	145	145	482	478	219	334	212	183	328	219
Weighted Total	1057	513	544	295	376	386	128	209	64	430	27	150	175	123	493	63	33	135	90	86	131	140	137	137	188	147	429	526	223	325	215	182	317	213
Abortion should remain legal and available in Scotland	800	391	409	217	284	298	93	150	57	344	26	104	115	92	383	56	31	99	67	76	87	101	102	101	151	116	344	398	170	253	167	134	247	146
	75.7%	76.3%	75.1%	73.6%	75.6%	77.3%	72.9%	71.7%	89.5%	79.9%	95.9%	69.4%	65.4%	75.2%	77.7%	89.3%	93.3%	73.4%	74.4%	87.7%	66.1%	72.0%	74.2%	73.7%	80.4%	78.6%	80.2%	75.6%	76.2%	77.7%	77.5%	73.8%	77.8%	68.6%
The law should be changed to make abortion less available in Scotland	147	78	70	40	61	47	24	36	6	46	-	29	40	25	57	3	-	16	13	7	26	27	16	18	19	22	50	76	36	37	29	25	46	42
	13.9%	15.1%	12.8%	13.4%	16.1%	12.2%	18.9%	17.1%	9.1%	10.6%	-	19.1%	22.7%	20.2%	11.5%	5.2%	-	11.9%	14.3%	7.5%	19.8%	19.1%	11.7%	12.8%	10.3%	15.1%	11.7%	14.5%	16.1%	11.4%	13.5%	13.7%	14.4%	19.6%
Dont know	110	44	66	38	31	41	10	23	1	41	1	17	21	6	53	3	2	20	10	4	18	12	19	19	18	9	35	52	17	35	19	23	25	25
	10.4%	8.6%	12.1%	13.0%	8.3%	10.5%	8.1%	11.2%	1.3%	9.5%	4.1%	11.5%	11.9%	4.6%	10.8%	5.5%	6.7%	14.7%	11.3%	4.7%	14.1%	8.8%	14.1%	13.5%	9.3%	6.3%	8.1%	9.9%	7.8%	10.9%	9.0%	12.6%	7.8%	11.8%
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	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%