

## **Scotland Trackers - Scottish Referendum**

If there was a referendum tomorrow on Scotland leaving the United Kingdom and becoming an Independent Country and this was the question, how would you vote?

Should Scotland be an independent country?

|                         | Yes | No | Don't know/<br>wouldn't vote |
|-------------------------|-----|----|------------------------------|
| 2015                    | %   | %  | %                            |
| April 8-9               | 46  | 49 | 6                            |
| March 10-12             | 45  | 48 | 8                            |
| Jan 29 - Feb 2          | 49  | 44 | 7                            |
| 2014                    |     |    |                              |
| Dec 9-11                | 48  | 45 | 6                            |
| October 27-30           | 49  | 45 | 6                            |
| Sept 15-17              | 45  | 49 | 6                            |
| Sept 9-11               | 45  | 50 | 6                            |
| Sept 2-5                | 47  | 45 | 7                            |
| Aug 28 - Sept 1         | 42  | 48 | 10                           |
| Aug 12-15               | 38  | 51 | 11                           |
| Aug 4-7                 | 35  | 55 | 11                           |
| June 25-29              | 35  | 54 | 12                           |
| June 12-16              | 36  | 53 | 11                           |
| April 25-28             | 37  | 51 | 12                           |
| March 20-24             | 37  | 52 | 11                           |
| February 24-28          | 35  | 53 | 12                           |
| February 3-5            | 34  | 52 | 14                           |
| January 21-27           | 33  | 52 | 15                           |
| 2013                    |     |    |                              |
| December 6-9            | 33  | 52 | 15                           |
| November 27- December 2 | 31  | 55 | 15                           |
| September 13-16         | 32  | 52 | 15                           |
| August 19-22            | 29  | 59 | 12                           |

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Yes<br>(Excluding<br>Don't know) | No<br>(Excluding<br>Don't know) |
| %                                | %                               |
| 48                               | 52                              |
| 49                               | 51                              |
| 52                               | 48                              |
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| 48                               | 52                              |
| 51                               | 49                              |
| 47                               | 53                              |
| 43                               | 57                              |
| 39                               | 61                              |
| 39                               | 61                              |
| 40                               | 60                              |
| 42                               | 58                              |
| 42                               | 58                              |
| 40                               | 60                              |
| 39                               | 61                              |
| 39                               | 61                              |
|                                  |                                 |
| 39                               | 61                              |
| 36                               | 64                              |
| 38                               | 62                              |
| 33                               | 67                              |



|      |                | I would vote<br>YES (i.e. for<br>Scottish<br>independence) | I would vote NO (i.e.<br>against Scottish<br>independence) | Don't know /<br>wouldn't vote |
|------|----------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| 2012 |                | %  | %  | %                             |
|      | October 22-24  | 29   | 55   | 16                            |
|      | October 16-17  | 30   | 56   | 14                            |
|      | February 22-24 | 32   | 53   | 15                            |
|      | January 9-10*  | 32   | 53   | 15                            |
| 2011 |                |  |  |                               |
|      | October 26-27* | 34   | 52   | 15                            |
|      | April 26-29*   | 28   | 57   | 15                            |
|      | April 19-21*   | 35   | 52   | 13                            |
|      | April 13-15*   | 31   | 55   | 15                            |
|      | March 25-28*   | 33   | 51   | 16                            |
| 2010 |                |  |  |                               |
|      | October 18-20* | 34   | 50   | 16                            |
|      | May 3-4*       | 28   | 58   | 15                            |
|      | Apr 28-30*     | 28   | 58   | 14                            |
|      | Apr 21-23*     | 31   | 54   | 16                            |
|      | Mar 24-26*     | 29   | 55   | 16                            |
|      | Feb 24-26*     | 27   | 55   | 18                            |
| 2009 |                |  |  |                               |
|      | Nov 18-20*     | 29   | 57   | 15                            |
|      | Aug 24-26*     | 28   | 57   | 16                            |
|      | March 12-13*   | 33   | 53   | 14                            |
| _    | January 29-30* | 29   | 55   | 16                            |
| 2008 |                |  |  |                               |
|      | October 22-24* | 31   | 53   | 16                            |
|      | September 5-6* | 34   | 50   | 15                            |
|      | July 8-10*     | 36   | 48   | 16                            |

<sup>\*</sup>Previously asked with this question until January 2012: The SNP wishes to hold a referendum on Scottish independence in due course. Voters would be asked whether they agree or disagree 'that the Scottish government should negotiate a settlement with the Government of the United Kingdom so that Scotland becomes an independent state'. How would you vote if such a referendum were held tomorrow?



## Do you think Scotland would be economically better or worse off if it became an independent country, or would it make no difference?

|                 | Better Off | Worse Off | No Difference | Don't know |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| 2014            | %          | %         | %             | %          |
| Sept 15-17      | 35         | 47        | 9             | 9          |
| Sept 9 - 11     | 37         | 48        | 7             | 8          |
| Sept 2-5        | 40         | 42        | 9             | 10         |
| Aug 28 - Sept 1 | 35         | 44        | 11            | 10         |
| Aug 12-15       | 32         | 46        | 10            | 12         |
| June 25-29      | 27         | 49        | 11            | 13         |
| March 20-24     | 30         | 45        | 10            | 16         |
| February 3-5    | 25         | 47        | 12            | 16         |
| 2013            |            |           |               |            |
| December 6-9    | 26         | 48        | 12            | 14         |

Do you think you personally would be financially better or worse off if Scotland became an independent country, or would it make no difference?

|                 | Better Off | Worse Off | No Difference | Don't know |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| 2014            | %          | %         | %             | %          |
| Sept 15-17      | 21         | 42        | 24            | 13         |
| Sept 9 - 11     | 21         | 45        | 23            | 10         |
| Sept 2-5        | 23         | 37        | 25            | 15         |
| Aug 28 - Sept 1 | 21         | 41        | 24            | 13         |
| Aug 12-15       | 19         | 42        | 22            | 17         |
| June 25-29      | 17         | 43        | 23            | 17         |
| March 20-24     | 19         | 39        | 23            | 19         |
| 2013            |            |           |               |            |
| December 6-9    | 19         | 39        | 23            | 19         |



Thinking about the current debate over Scotland's future and the independence referendum, how much do you trust the statements and claims made by the following people? (All dates 2014)

|                     | TOTAL<br>TRUST | TOTAL DO<br>NOT TRUST | Don't know |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Alex Salmond        |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 45             | 51                    | 4          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 40             | 55                    | 5          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 38             | 58                    | 4          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 42             | 53                    | 4          |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 38             | 58                    | 4          |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 35             | 58                    | 7          |
| March 20 - March 24 | 36             | 56                    | 7          |
| Nicola Sturgeon     |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 48             | 47                    | 5          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 41             | 52                    | 6          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 40             | 55                    | 5          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 44             | 50                    | 6          |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 37             | 55                    | 8          |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 35             | 54                    | 11         |
| March 20 - March 24 | 38             | 52                    | 10         |
|                     |                |                       |            |
| Alistair Darling    |                |                       | _          |
| October 27-30       | 29             | 66                    | 6          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 34             | 60                    | 6          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 32             | 63                    | 5          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 33             | 62                    | 5          |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 33             | 61                    | 6          |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 38             | 52                    | 9          |
| March 20 - March 24 | 28             | 61                    | 12         |
| David Cameron       |                |                       | ļ.,        |
| October 27-30       | 19             | 77                    | 4          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 26             | 70                    | 5          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 25             | 71                    | 4          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 23             | 73                    | 4          |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 23             | 73                    | 5          |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 24             | 69                    | 7          |
| March 20 - March 24 | 22             | 71                    | 8          |
| Ed Miliband         |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 15             | 80                    | 6          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 25             | 67                    | 7          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 24             | 69                    | 6          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 23             | 67                    | 9          |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 24             | 67                    | 10         |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 27             | 63                    | 10         |
| March 20 - March 24 | 27             | 64                    | 10         |



|                     | TOTAL<br>TRUST | TOTAL DO<br>NOT TRUST | Don't know |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Johann Lamont       |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 22             | 62                    | 16         |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 23             | 55                    | 23         |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 24             | 55                    | 21         |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 20             | 55                    | 25         |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 21             | 53                    | 26         |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 22             | 50                    | 28         |
| March 20 - March 24 | 20             | 59                    | 22         |
| Willie Rennie       |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 12             | 52                    | 36         |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 13             | 47                    | 39         |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 15             | 50                    | 36         |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 13             | 47                    | 39         |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 12             | 46                    | 41         |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 14             | 45                    | 41         |
| March 20 - March 24 | 11             | 51                    | 37         |
| Ruth Davidson       |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 21             | 60                    | 20         |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 23             | 56                    | 22         |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 23             | 54                    | 24         |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 21             | 53                    | 25         |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 19             | 50                    | 30         |
| Aug 12 - Aug 15     | 19             | 49                    | 32         |
| March 20 - March 24 | 15             | 57                    | 27         |
| Gordon Brown        |                |                       |            |
| October 27-30       | 37             | 56                    | 7          |
| Sept 15 - 17        | 34             | 57                    | 8          |
| Sept 9 - 11         | 35             | 58                    | 7          |
| Sept 2 - 5          | 32             | 58                    | 10         |
| Aug 28 - Sept       | 31             | 57                    | 11         |