

YouGov / The Sun Survey Results

Sample Size: 1607 English and Welsh Adults and 1,002 Scottish Adults
Fieldwork: 9th - 11th January 2012

	England & Wales		Scotland	
	1607		1002	
	Unweighted Sample		Unweighted Sample	
	May 9-11 2011	Jan 9-10 2012	May 9-11 2011	Jan 9-11 2012
Scotland's First Minister Alex Salmond has pledged to hold a referendum of the Scottish people on Scotland becoming an Independent country. Some people think English and Welsh voters should also be able to vote on whether Scotland remains in the UK or becomes an independent country, other people are opposed to there being a referendum at all. Which of the following best reflects your view?				
The decision on whether Scotland stays in the UK should be made by Scottish voters alone	42	39	67	68
Voters in England and Wales should also have a vote on whether Scotland remains part of the UK	34	36	9	8
There should not be a referendum on Scottish independence at all	12	13	19	18
None of these	2	3	1	1
Don't know	10	9	4	5
Do you support or oppose Scotland becoming a country independent from the rest of the United Kingdom?				
Support Scottish independence	41	33	29	33
Oppose Scottish independence	40	37	58	53
Don't know	19	30	13	14
On the whole, do you think that England & Wales benefit more from having Scotland in the UK, or that Scotland benefits more from being part of the UK, or is it about equal?				
England & Wales benefit more	8	10	32	28
Scotland benefits more	54	48	21	23
About equal	27	29	40	40
Don't know	12	13	7	10
Please now imagine that Scotland became an independent country, separate from the rest of the UK. If this were to happen, how likely, if at all, do you think it would be that the rest of the UK (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) would also become independent countries?				
Very likely		8		6
Fairly likely		34		31
TOTAL LIKELY		41		37
Not very likely		40		40
Not at all likely		8		11
TOTAL NOT LIKELY		47		51
Don't know		12		13
And thinking about if Scotland were to become independent of the rest of the UK, do you think Scotland should...?				
Keep Queen Elizabeth II as the Scottish monarch		37		46
Replace Queen Elizabeth II with the closest decedent of Charles Edward Stuart as a new Scottish monarch		4		3
Replace Queen Elizabeth II with someone else as a new Scottish monarch		3		1
Not have a monarchy at all		38		41
Don't know		17		8

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Public spending in Scotland is currently higher, per person, than in England and Wales. Some argue that it is unfair that Scottish residents receive higher public spending whilst others claim that Scotland needs extra spending per person because of the physical size of the country, and because of higher average levels of poverty and ill-health than England. Do you think it is fair or unfair that Scottish residents receive higher public spending than the rest of Great Britain?

It is FAIR that Scottish residents receive higher public spending than the rest of Great Britain	12	51
It is UNFAIR that Scottish residents receive higher public spending than the rest of Great Britain	67	16
Neither	11	21
Don't know	10	11

Which, if any, of the following best describes how you see yourself?

English/Welsh/ Scottish not British	18	23
More English/Welsh/ Scottish than British	15	28
TOTAL MORE ENGLISH/WELSH/ SCOTTISH	34	51
Equally English/Welsh/ Scottish and British	38	28
More British than English/Welsh/ Scottish	11	6
British not English/Welsh/ Scottish	7	8
TOTAL MORE BRITISH	18	14
Other description	9	6
Don't know	2	2