

YouGov / SNP Survey Results

Sample Size: 1212 Scottish Adults
Fieldwork: 17th - 18th August 2010

	Scottish Constituency Vote					Gender		Age				Social Grade	
	Total	Con	Lab	Lib	SNP	Male	Female	18-29	30-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE
Weighted Sample	1212	136	356	115	353	580	632	256	184	433	340	600	611
Unweighted Sample	1212	189	295	118	386	608	604	175	173	519	345	737	474
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Scottish Constituency Vote													
Labour	36	0	100	0	0	39	33	31	45	35	35	32	40
SNP	35	0	0	0	100	36	35	33	23	42	36	35	36
Conservative	14	100	0	0	0	11	16	13	12	12	17	18	9
Lib Dem	12	0	0	100	0	11	12	19	18	7	9	13	10
Other	3	0	0	0	0	3	4	3	1	4	4	3	4
Scottish Constituency Non-Voters													
Wouldn't vote	6	0	0	0	0	4	8	13	3	7	3	4	9
Don't know	12	0	0	0	0	9	14	14	19	12	6	9	14

Abdel Baset al-Megrahi was convicted of the Lockerbie bombing in 2001. In 2009 he was released by the Scottish Government's Justice Secretary on compassionate grounds, having been diagnosed with terminal prostate cancer.

A US senate committee invited representatives of the Scottish government to appear before their committee to explain their decision. The Scottish government declined to attend, on the grounds that they are accountable to the Scottish Parliament, not to US politicians. Do you agree or disagree with Scottish Government's decision not to attend?

Agree – they were right not to attend	72	66	70	75	86	78	66	63	70	76	76	78	67
Disagree – they should have attended	20	30	26	18	10	17	24	19	23	21	20	16	25
Don't know	7	5	4	6	4	5	10	18	7	4	4	6	9

Some US Senators have argued that commercial lobbying of the UK Government by BP played a role in the release of Al-Megrahi, while the Scottish Government insists that the Scottish Government was not lobbied by BP and that the Scottish Justice Secretary's decision to grant compassionate release to Al-Megrahi was based solely on the rules and regulations of Scots Law. Regardless of your own view on the decision, which of the following best reflects your view?

The US Senators are correct - BP lobbying played a part in the release of Al-Megrahi	14	19	14	8	11	13	14	14	15	14	12	10	17
The Scottish Government is correct - Al-Megrahi was released solely in line with Scots law	54	46	55	60	68	63	47	45	51	58	59	56	53
Neither	11	16	15	11	6	12	10	11	16	10	10	12	10
Don't know	21	18	16	21	15	13	29	30	18	18	20	22	20

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Al-Megrahi was convicted in a Scottish Court and served his prison sentence in Scotland. Regardless of whether you think Al-Megrahi should or should not have been released, who do you think should have made the decision on whether or not to release him?

The Scottish Justice Secretary	76	64	78	80	87	82	70	72	82	79	72	80	72
A Minister in the UK Government	13	27	16	8	6	11	14	6	9	14	17	11	14
Don't know	11	9	7	12	7	7	16	21	9	7	11	9	13