

Scottish Public Attitudes & Opinion Monitor - Wave 22

Table 62

FOI1. Have you ever heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act?

Base : All

	Total (Weight ed)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweigh ted Total	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part- time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self- empl- -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)		
	(x)																		All	
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001	
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001	
Yes, definitely	731	381	350	78	113	267	265	313	88	141	180	271	93	482	142	90	189	542	756	
		73%bcn	79%xb	67%	56%	73%c	80%xc	73%c	77%xi	73%	67%	71%	76%	76%	79%xn	59%	73%n	71%	74%	76%
Yes, I think so	110	41	68	22	14	27	47	41	13	21	34	38	13	65	32	11	32	78	107	
		11%ae	9%	13%xa	16%e	9%	8%	13%	10%	11%	10%	14%	11%	10%	11%	13%	9%	12%	11%	11%
No, I don't think so	58	22	36	16	11	18	13	18	7	23	9	12	8	24	20	11	16	41	53	
		6%fkm	5%	7%	11%xf	7%	5%	4%	4%	6%	11%xgj	4%	3%	6%	4%	8%	9%m	6%	6%	5%
No, definitely not	102	36	66	23	18	22	37	33	12	25	31	35	8	41	46	11	28	73	84	
		10%aelm	7%	13%xa	17%e	12%	7%	10%	8%	10%	12%	12%	10%	6%	7%	19%xm	9%	11%	10%	8%
Don't know/ unsure	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	
	*	-	*	1%	-	-	-	-	1%yg	-	-	-	1%zk	-	1%	-	1%	-	*	

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Base : All

	Total (Weighted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweighted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot-tish Con & Union-ist Party (h)	Scot-tish Lab (i)	Scot-tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot-tish Con & Union-ist Party (m)	Scot-tish Lab (n)	Scot-tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Yes, definitely	731	103	119	142	165	149	515	164	75	141	47	374	47	84	130	42	355	62	756
	73% ⁱⁿ	65%	70%	74%	74%	82% ^{xab}	73%	73%	83% ^{xi}	67%	74%	75%	90% ^{xij}	81% ^{xn}	67%	80%	75% ⁿ	78%	76%
Yes, I think so	110	17	25	24	22	15	80	23	5	32	4	53	3	8	30	2	51	9	107
	11%	11%	15%	12%	10%	8%	11%	10%	5%	15% ^h	7%	11%	5%	8%	15% ^o	3%	11%	12%	11%
No, I don't think so	58	12	11	8	15	7	38	16	5	11	9	25	-	5	11	4	25	2	53
	6%	8%	6%	4%	7%	4%	5%	7%	6%	5%	14% ^{xikl}	5%	-	4%	6%	8%	5%	3%	5%
No, definitely not	102	24	16	18	20	11	69	21	5	28	4	48	2	6	24	4	41	6	84
	10% ^{ee}	15% ^e	9%	9%	9%	6%	10%	9%	6%	13%	6%	10%	5%	6%	12%	9%	9%	7%	8%
Don't know/ unsure	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	*	1%	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*

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Table 64

**FOI2_Access. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
It is important for the public to be able to access information held by public authorities**

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweighted Total All	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part-time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self-empl -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)		
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Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001	
Strongly agree	752 75%b	380 79%xb	372 72%	101 72%	117 75%	254 76%	270 75%	305 75%	90 75%	166 79%	186 73%	263 74%	93 76%	470 77%x	178 74%	86 70%	198 74%	554 75%	749 75%	
Tend to agree	198 20%a	81 17%	117 22%xa	29 21%	28 18%	66 20%	74 20%	85 21%	17 14%	36 17%	57 23%	71 20%	25 21%	117 19%	44 18%	31 25%	49 19%	148 20%	205 20%	
Neither agree nor disagree	29 3%mq	9 2%	20 4%	10 7%xef	6 4%	7 2%	6 2%	8 2%	9 7%xgj	6 3%	4 1%	14 4%	2 2%	12 2%	10 4%	5 4%	14 5%xq	15 2%	25 2%	
Tend to disagree	5 1%	2 *	3 1%	- -	1 1%	3 1%	1 *	5 1%	* *	* *	- -	3 1%	2 1%	4 1%	1 *	- -	2 1%	3 *	7 1%	
Strongly disagree	6 1%	4 1%	2 *	- -	- -	3 1%	3 1%	2 *	3 2%x	- -	1 1%	3 1%	* *	6 1%x	- -	- -	2 1%	3 *	7 1%	
Don't know	11 1%gm	5 1%	6 1%	- -	3 2%e	- -	7 2%xe	1 *	2 1%	2 1%	6 2%g	1 *	- -	4 1%	7 3%am	- -	- -	11 1%	8 1%	
Combinations - Summary																				
Agree	950 95%h	460 96%	489 94%	130 93%	145 93%	321 96%	344 95%	391 96%h	107 89%	201 96%h	243 96%h	334 94%	119 96%	587 96%x	222 92%	118 96%	247 93%	702 96%	954 95%	
Disagree	11 1%	6 1%	5 1%	- -	1 1%	6 2%	4 1%	6 2%	3 3%	* *	1 1%	6 2%	2 2%	10 2%x	1 *	- -	5 2%	6 1%	14 1%	
Net Agree	939 94%	455 95%	484 93%	130 93%	143 92%	315 94%	340 94%	385 95%	104 86%	201 96%	242 95%	328 92%	116 95%	578 94%	221 92%	118 96%	243 91%	696 95%	940 94%	

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Base : All

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Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Strongly agree	752 75%g	125 79%	125 73%	150 78%	156 70%	146 80% d	546 78% xg	156 70%	66 72%	154 73%	45 71%	396 79% x	43 82%	71 69%	145 74%	38 73%	371 79% xm	61 77%	749 75%
Tend to agree	198 20% fkp	25 16%	32 19%	36 19%	54 24%	32 17%	125 18%	54 24%	19 21%	48 23%	16 25%	81 16%	9 17%	23 22%	43 22%	14 27%	78 17%	15 19%	205 20%
Neither agree nor disagree	29 3% f	3 2%	9 5%	3 1%	7 3%	4 2%	14 2%	11 5%	2 2%	3 2%	1 1%	15 3%	-	4 3%	2 1%	-	15 3%	-	25 2%
Tend to disagree	5 1%	-	1 1%	2 1%	1 *	1 1%	5 1%	-	2 2%	2 1%	-	1 *	-	1 1%	2 1%	-	2 *	-	7 1%
Strongly disagree	6 1%	1 *	2 1%	1 *	2 1%	-	5 1%	1 *	1 1%	-	-	2 *	1 1%	2 2%	-	-	2 *	1 1%	7 1%
Don't know	11 1%	4 3%	2 1%	2 1%	2 1%	-	7 1%	2 1%	2 2%	4 2%	1 1%	4 1%	-	2 2%	4 2%	-	3 1%	2 3%	8 1%
Combinations - Summary																			
Agree	950 95%	150 95%	157 92%	186 96%	210 95%	178 97%	671 95%	210 94%	85 93%	202 96%	61 96%	477 95%	51 99%	94 92%	188 96%	52 100% m	449 95%	76 96%	954 95%
Disagree	11 1%	1 *	3 2%	3 1%	3 2%	1 1%	10 1%	1 *	3 3%	2 1%	-	3 1%	1 1%	3 3%	2 1%	-	4 1%	1 1%	14 1%
Net Agree	939 94%	149 95%	155 91%	183 95%	207 93%	177 96%	660 94%	210 94%	82 90%	200 95%	61 96%	474 95%	51 97%	91 88%	186 95%	52 100%	445 95%	75 95%	940 94%

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Base : All

	Total (Weighted)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Strongly agree	752 75%	643 77% x	108 68%	749 75%
Tend to agree	198 20%	165 20%	33 21%	205 20%
Neither agree nor disagree	29 3% a	18 2%	11 7% xa	25 2%
Tend to disagree	5 1%	4 1%	1 1%	7 1%
Strongly disagree	6 1%	5 1%	1 *	7 1%
Don't know	11 1% a	5 1%	6 4% xa	8 1%
Combinations - Summary				
Agree	950 95% b	808 96% xb	141 88%	954 95%
Disagree	11 1%	9 1%	2 1%	14 1%
Net Agree	939 94%	798 95%	139 87%	940 94%

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FOI2 Decisions. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Freedom of information is important in holding public bodies to account for their spending decisions

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweighted Total All	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part-time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self-empl -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)		
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Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001	
Strongly agree	728 73% bcp	378 79% xb	349 67%	89 63%	101 65%	246 74%	283 78% xcd	304 75%	79 65%	139 66%	198 78% xhi	258 72%	88 71%	455 74% x	164 68%	92 75%	174 65%	554 75% xp	729 73%	
Tend to agree	211 21%	89 18%	122 23%	38 27%	39 25%	69 21%	64 18%	82 20%	29 24%	51 24%	48 19%	78 22%	26 21%	126 21%	51 21%	27 22%	67 25%	143 20%	211 21%	
Neither agree nor disagree	21 2% af	2 *	19 4% xa	6 4%	7 4% f	5 2%	3 1%	11 3%	5 4% j	3 1%	2 1%	11 3%	3 2%	10 2%	10 4%	1 *	10 4%	11 2%	19 2%	
Tend to disagree	17 2% m	6 1%	11 2%	3 2%	2 2%	6 2%	6 2%	5 1%	4 3%	5 2%	3 1%	6 2%	3 3%	8 1%	7 3%	2 2%	7 2%	11 1%	19 2%	
Strongly disagree	12 1% f	4 1%	7 1%	2 2%	4 3% f	4 1%	1 *	2 1%	3 2% j	6 3% j	-	2 *	3 2% xk	7 1%	3 1%	1 1%	5 2%	6 1%	13 1%	
Don't know	13 1% a	2 *	11 2% a	4 3%	2 1%	2 1%	4 1%	2 1%	2 2%	6 3%	2 1%	2 1%	* *	7 1%	5 2%	-	4 2%	9 1%	10 1%	
Combinations - Summary																				
Agree	938 94% bhnp	467 97% xb	472 91%	126 90%	140 90%	316 95%	347 96% xcd	386 95% h	107 89%	190 91%	247 97% xhi	336 94%	114 92%	581 95% xn	215 89%	119 97% n	241 91%	697 95% xp	940 94%	
Disagree	29 3%	10 2%	19 4%	5 3%	7 4%	10 3%	7 2%	7 2%	7 6% gj	11 5% j	3 1%	7 2%	6 5% xk	15 2%	10 4%	3 2%	12 4%	17 2%	32 3%	
Net Agree	910 91%	457 95%	453 87%	121 86%	133 86%	306 92%	340 94%	379 93%	100 83%	179 85%	244 96%	328 92%	107 87%	566 92%	205 85%	116 95%	230 86%	680 93%	908 91%	

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FOI2_Decisions. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
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	Total (Weighted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweighted Total
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Tend to agree	211 21%	29 18%	33 19%	40 21%	54 24%	36 20%	145 21%	48 21%	13 14%	47 22%	15 23%	107 21%	6 11%	20 19%	40 20%	10 20%	102 22%	16 20%	211 21%
Neither agree nor disagree	21 2%	6 3%	1 *	5 3%	2 1%	4 2%	13 2%	4 2%	- -	4 2%	2 4%	7 1%	2 5%	- -	3 2%	3 7% xmp	7 1%	2 3%	19 2%
Tend to disagree	17 2%	7 5% xbd	* *	3 2%	2 1%	3 1%	11 2%	4 2%	1 1%	2 1%	1 2%	6 1%	- -	2 2%	3 2%	1 2%	9 2%	- -	19 2%
Strongly disagree	12 1%	3 2%	4 2%	2 1%	1 1%	1 1%	9 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 *	1 2%	5 1%	1 2%	1 1%	3 2%	1 3%	2 1%	1 1%	13 1%
Don't know	13 1%	4 3%	2 1%	4 2%	1 1%	1 *	10 1%	3 1%	1 1%	2 1%	- -	10 2%	- -	1 1%	2 1%	- -	7 2%	2 2%	10 1%
Combinations - Summary																			
Agree	938 94% a	137 87%	164 96% a	179 93%	216 97% xa	175 95% a	660 94%	211 94%	88 97%	202 96%	59 93%	472 94%	49 94%	99 96%	183 94%	46 89%	445 95%	74 94%	940 94%
Disagree	29 3%	11 7% xd	4 2%	5 3%	3 1%	4 2%	20 3%	6 3%	2 3%	3 2%	3 4%	11 2%	1 2%	3 3%	6 3%	3 5%	12 2%	1 1%	32 3%
Net Agree	910 91%	127 80%	160 94%	173 90%	213 96%	171 93%	640 91%	204 91%	86 94%	199 94%	56 89%	461 92%	48 92%	96 93%	177 91%	43 84%	434 92%	73 93%	908 91%

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Table 69

FOI2_Decisions. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Freedom of information is important in holding public bodies to account for their spending decisions

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		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Strongly agree	728 73% b	646 77% xb	81 51%	729 73%
Tend to agree	211 21% a	152 18%	59 37% xa	211 21%
Neither agree nor disagree	21 2% a	14 2%	8 5% a	19 2%
Tend to disagree	17 2% a	10 1%	7 5% xa	19 2%
Strongly disagree	12 1%	12 1%	-	13 1%
Don't know	13 1% a	7 1%	5 3% a	10 1%
Combinations - Summary				
Agree	938 94% b	798 95% xb	139 87%	940 94%
Disagree	29 3%	21 3%	7 5%	32 3%
Net Agree	910 91%	777 92%	132 83%	908 91%

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Table 70

**FOI2_WasteMoney. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Freedom of information is a waste of public money**

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	Total (Weighted) (x)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweighted Total All	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part-time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self-empl -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)		
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Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001	
Strongly agree	28 3% m	16 3%	12 2%	2 2%	4 3%	8 2%	14 4%	11 3%	3 3%	8 4%	5 2%	7 2%	5 4%	12 2%	11 5%	3 2%	4 2%	24 3%	29 3%	
Tend to agree	51 5% o	17 3%	34 6%	10 7%	3 2%	16 5%	22 6%	16 4%	7 6%	12 6%	15 6%	14 4%	9 7%	32 5% o	17 7% o	-	15 6%	36 5%	52 5%	
Neither agree nor disagree	41 4% q	15 3%	25 5%	8 6%	5 3%	16 5%	11 3%	21 5%	4 4%	6 3%	7 3%	17 5%	3 3%	26 4%	10 4%	3 2%	18 7% xq	22 3%	42 4%	
Tend to disagree	252 25% aef	101 21%	151 29% xa	50 35% xef	56 36% xef	68 20%	76 21%	108 26%	33 27%	59 28%	52 21%	93 26%	37 30%	152 25%	58 24%	37 30%	78 29%	174 24%	249 25%	
Strongly disagree	613 61% bclp	326 68% xb	287 55%	68 48%	85 55%	225 67% xcd	228 63% c	246 60%	71 59%	122 58%	166 65%	221 62%	68 55%	384 63%	136 56%	79 64%	147 55%	465 63% xp	614 61%	
Don't know	17 2% em	6 1%	12 2%	3 2%	3 2%	1 *	10 3% e	5 1%	2 2%	2 1%	8 3%	4 1%	1 1%	7 1%	9 4%	2 1%	4 1%	14 2%	15 1%	
Combinations - Summary																				
Agree	78 8% o	33 7%	45 9%	12 9%	6 4%	24 7%	36 10%	27 7%	10 9%	20 9%	20 8%	21 6%	14 11% xk	44 7%	28 12% o	3 2%	19 7%	59 8%	81 8%	
Disagree	865 86%	426 89%	438 84%	117 83%	141 90%	293 88%	304 84%	353 87%	104 86%	181 86%	219 86%	314 88%	105 85%	536 87%	194 81%	116 94% xn	226 85%	639 87%	863 86%	
Net Agree	-786 -79%	-393 -82%	-393 -75%	-105 -75%	-134 -86%	-269 -81%	-268 -74%	-326 -80%	-94 -77%	-161 -77%	-199 -78%	-293 -82%	-91 -74%	-492 -80%	-166 -69%	-113 -92%	-206 -77%	-580 -79%	-782 -78%	

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Table 71

**FOI2_WasteMoney. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Freedom of information is a waste of public money**

Base : All

	Total (Weighted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweighted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot-tish Con & Union-ist Party (h)	Scot-tish Lab (i)	Scot-tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot-tish Con & Union-ist Party (m)	Scot-tish Lab (n)	Scot-tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Strongly agree	28 3%	8 5%	1 1%	9 4% 	6 3%	3 2%	15 2%	10 5%	3 3%	6 3%	2 3%	11 2%	-	3 3%	6 3%	2 4%	10 2%	2 2%	29 3%
Tend to agree	51 5% k	6 4%	9 5%	6 3%	14 6%	8 5%	33 5%	10 4%	5 6%	8 4%	7 12% xik	17 3%	1 2%	7 7%	9 5%	5 10%	19 4%	2 3%	52 5%
Neither agree nor disagree	41 4% kp	9 6%	6 4%	6 3%	9 4%	10 5%	28 4%	12 5%	4 4%	9 4%	2 3%	9 2%	4 8% k	6 5% p	8 4%	3 5%	7 1%	4 5%	42 4%
Tend to disagree	252 25%	35 22%	35 21%	59 30%	56 25%	49 27%	176 25%	59 26%	29 32%	54 25%	13 20%	123 25%	10 19%	34 33% o	46 24%	9 17%	117 25%	16 21%	249 25%
Strongly disagree	613 61% m	96 61%	115 68%	111 57%	132 60%	113 61%	439 62%	127 57%	48 52%	132 63%	38 59%	329 66% xh	38 72% h	52 51%	124 63% m	31 59%	309 66% xm	53 67% m	614 61%
Don't know	17 2%	4 3%	4 2%	3 1%	5 2%	1 *	11 2%	5 2%	2 3%	2 1%	3 4%	10 2%	-	2 2%	2 1%	3 5%	9 2%	2 2%	15 1%
Combinations - Summary																			
Agree	78 8% k	14 9%	10 6%	15 8%	20 9%	11 6%	49 7%	20 9%	8 9%	14 7%	9 14% kl	28 6%	1 2%	10 9%	15 8%	7 14%	29 6%	4 5%	81 8%
Disagree	865 86% o	131 83%	151 88%	170 88%	188 85%	161 88%	615 87%	186 83%	77 84%	186 88%	50 79%	452 90% xj	47 91%	86 83%	170 87%	39 76%	426 91% xmo	69 88%	863 86%
Net Agree	-786 -79%	-117 -74%	-141 -83%	-155 -80%	-169 -76%	-150 -82%	-566 -81%	-166 -74%	-68 -75%	-172 -81%	-41 -64%	-424 -85%	-47 -89%	-76 -74%	-155 -79%	-32 -62%	-397 -84%	-65 -83%	-782 -78%

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Table 72

**FOI2_WasteMoney. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
Freedom of information is a waste of public money**

Base : All

	Total (Weighted)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Strongly agree	28 3% ^a	16 2%	12 7% ^{xa}	29 3%
Tend to agree	51 5% ^a	33 4%	18 11% ^{xa}	52 5%
Neither agree nor disagree	41 4%	31 4%	9 6%	42 4%
Tend to disagree	252 25% ^a	192 23%	60 38% ^{xa}	249 25%
Strongly disagree	613 61% ^b	555 66% ^{xb}	57 36%	614 61%
Don't know	17 2%	13 2%	4 3%	15 1%
Combinations - Summary				
Agree	78 8% ^a	49 6%	29 18% ^{xa}	81 8%
Disagree	865 86% ^b	747 89% ^{xb}	116 73%	863 86%
Net Agree	-786 -79%	-698 -83%	-87 -55%	-782 -78%

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FOI2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

- Summary table -

Base : All

	It is important for the public to be able to access information held by public authorities	Freedom of information is important in holding public bodies to account for their spending decisions	Freedom of information is a waste of public money
Unweighted Total	1001	1001	1001
Weighted Total	1001	1001	1001
Strongly agree	752 75%	728 73%	28 3%
Tend to agree	198 20%	211 21%	51 5%
Neither agree nor disagree	29 3%	21 2%	41 4%
Tend to disagree	5 1%	17 2%	252 25%
Strongly disagree	6 1%	12 1%	613 61%
Don't know	11 1%	13 1%	17 2%
Combinations - Summary Agree	950 95%	938 94%	78 8%
Disagree	11 1%	29 3%	865 86%
Net Agree	939 94%	910 91%	-786 -79%

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Table 74

FOI_NEW1(a). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body provides public services paid for with public money?
FOI_NEW1_PublicMoney. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body provides public services paid for with public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weight ed)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweigh ted Total
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part- time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self- empl- -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)	
	(x)																		
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001
Essential	428	227	201	57	58	162	146	173	55	101	97	154	59	273	94	50	120	308	439
	43%b	47%xb	39%	41%	37%	49%xdf	40%	43%	45%	48%	38%	43%	48%	44%x	39%	41%	45%	42%	44%
Very important	357	163	194	36	55	121	142	149	41	59	102	125	42	218	88	42	92	265	362
	36%c	34%	37%	25%	36%	36%	39%c	37%	34%	28%	40%i	35%	34%	35%	37%	35%	35%	36%	36%
Somewhat important	169	72	97	43	35	35	55	69	23	36	40	65	18	93	46	28	47	123	153
	17%em	15%	19%	30%xef	22%e	11%	15%	17%	19%	17%	16%	18%	14%	15%	19%	23%	17%	17%	15%
Unimportant	32	16	16	3	6	13	10	14	2	9	8	12	3	19	9	3	5	28	32
	3%	3%	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%
Don't know	15	2	13	2	2	3	8	2	*	4	8	1	1	11	3	-	3	12	15
	1%agk	*	2%xa	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	*	2%	3%yg	*	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%

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Table 75

FOI_NEW1(a). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body provides public services paid for with public money?
FOI_NEW1_PublicMoney. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
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In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body provides public services paid for with public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weighed)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency						Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweighted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot- tish Con & Union- ist Party (h)	Scot- tish Lab (i)	Scot- tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot- tish Con & Union- ist Party (m)	Scot- tish Lab (n)	Scot- tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)		
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001	
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001	
Essential	428 43%	56 35%	68 40%	94 49% a	90 40%	89 48% a	304 43%	93 41%	37 40%	88 42%	24 37%	223 45%	30 57%	40 39%	88 45%	17 34%	211 45%	39 49%	439 44%	
Very important	357 36%	68 43% c	58 34%	57 30%	82 37%	64 35%	249 35%	80 36%	33 36%	76 36%	23 37%	177 35%	17 32%	41 40%	63 32%	19 36%	165 35%	30 38%	362 36%	
Somewhat important	169 17%	30 19%	33 19%	29 15%	43 19%	27 15%	121 17%	40 18%	17 18%	36 17%	14 22% l	80 16%	4 7%	18 17%	32 16%	13 26% q	77 16%	7 9%	153 15%	
Unimportant	32 3%	3 2%	6 4%	8 4%	6 3%	3 2%	19 3%	8 4%	3 3%	7 4%	1 2%	12 2%	2 4%	3 2%	7 3%	2 4%	11 2%	3 4%	32 3%	
Don't know	15 1%	1 1%	6 3% e	4 2%	3 1%	* *	11 2%	3 1%	2 2%	4 2%	1 2%	7 1%	- -	2 2%	5 3%	- -	6 1%	- -	15 1%	

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Table 76

FOI_NEW1(a). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body provides public services paid for with public money?
FOI_NEW1_PublicMoney. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body provides public services paid for with public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Essential	428 43% b	376 45% xb	50 32%	439 44%
Very important	357 36%	305 36%	52 33%	362 36%
Somewhat important	169 17% a	127 15%	42 26% xa	153 15%
Unimportant	32 3% a	22 3%	10 7% a	32 3%
Don't know	15 1%	10 1%	5 3%	15 1%

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Table 77

FOI_NEW1(b). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?
FOI_NEW1 Grants. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weight ed)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweigh ted Total
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part- time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self- empl- -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001
Essential	341	185	156	34	46	130	126	140	31	81	89	111	46	213	84	34	81	261	352
		34%bc	39%xb	30%	24%	29%	39%xc	35%	34%	26%	39%h	35%	31%	37%	35%	35%	28%	30%	35%
Very important	349	162	187	49	49	115	133	143	46	62	92	129	39	215	81	45	89	260	346
		35%	34%	36%	35%	32%	35%	37%	35%	38%	30%	36%	32%	35%	34%	37%	34%	35%	35%
Somewhat important	252	111	141	48	57	71	75	107	40	51	51	103	34	150	61	38	86	166	245
		25%fjq	23%	27%	34%ef	37%xef	21%	21%	26%	33%j	24%	20%	29%	27%	24%	26%	31%	32%xq	23%
Unimportant	37	17	20	9	*	13	14	14	2	11	10	11	3	26	4	4	9	28	37
		4%d	3%	4%	6%d	*	4%d	4%d	3%	2%	5%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%
Don't know	22	5	16	1	3	3	14	3	2	4	12	1	1	10	10	1	1	21	21
		2%agkmp	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	4%xe	1%	2%	2%	5%yg	*	1%	2%	4%	1%	*	3%xp

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Table 78

FOI_NEW1(b). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?
FOI_NEW1 Grants. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
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The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weigh ted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweig hted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (h)	Scot -tish Lab (i)	Scot -tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (m)	Scot -tish Lab (n)	Scot -tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
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Essential	341	48	49	75	74	69	248	67	20	79	19	174	26	24	76	17	167	31	352
		34% hm	30%	29%	39%	33%	35%	30%	22%	37% h	29%	35% h	51% xhj	24%	39% m	32%	35% m	40% m	35%
Very important	349	67	48	59	82	62	230	89	45	73	27	165	15	50	70	22	157	22	346
		35%	43% b	28%	31%	37%	33%	40%	49% xik	35%	42%	33%	29%	48% xpq	36%	42%	33%	28%	35%
Somewhat important	252	36	62	45	53	44	185	55	19	50	17	128	10	21	41	12	117	23	245
		25%	23%	36% xacde	23%	24%	26%	24%	21%	24%	27%	26%	20%	21%	21%	24%	25%	29%	24%
Unimportant	37	4	8	5	10	6	24	10	1	6	1	23	*	1	5	1	21	3	37
		4%	3%	4%	3%	5%	3%	4%	1%	3%	2%	5%	1%	1%	2%	2%	4%	4%	4%
Don't know	22	3	3	9	3	2	16	4	6	3	-	9	-	7	3	-	9	-	21
		2%	2%	2%	4% x	1%	2%	2%	6% xijk	2%	-	2%	-	6% xnpq	1%	-	2%	-	2%

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Table 79

FOI_NEW1(b). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?
 FOI_NEW1 Grants. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
 When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
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 In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
 The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Essential	341 34%	295 35%	46 29%	352 35%
Very important	349 35%	296 35%	51 32%	346 35%
Somewhat important	252 25%	206 25%	46 29%	245 24%
Unimportant	37 4%	32 4%	5 3%	37 4%
Don't know	22 2% ^a	10 1%	11 7% ^{xa}	21 2%

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Table 80

FOI_NEW1(c). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body delivers a service that could be thought of as public, like prisons, housing? FOI_NEW1_DeliversService. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered. When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors. I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider. In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body delivers a service that could be thought of as a public service, like prisons and housing?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweighted Total All
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part-time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self-empl -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001
Essential	380 38%b	204 42%xb	177 34%	45 32%	53 34%	150 45%xcdf	131 36%	159 39%	43 36%	93 44%j	83 33%	134 38%	47 38%	234 38%	99 41%	38 31%	96 36%	284 39%	384 38%
Very important	390 39%	178 37%	211 41%	51 37%	60 39%	118 36%	155 43%	148 36%	49 40%	73 35%	115 45%xg	136 38%	48 39%	239 39%	90 37%	54 44%	105 39%	284 39%	386 39%
Somewhat important	187 19%e	79 16%	108 21%	35 25%e	40 25%ef	50 15%	58 16%	83 21%	28 23%	38 18%	38 15%	73 21%	23 19%	117 19%	41 17%	25 20%	57 22%	130 18%	187 19%
Unimportant	25 2%	12 3%	13 2%	5 4%	2 1%	10 3%	8 2%	9 2%	*	6 3%	9 3%	5 1%	4 3%	12 2%	9 4%	1 1%	4 2%	21 3%	24 2%
Don't know	19 2%	7 1%	12 2%	3 2%	* *	6 2%	10 3%	8 2%	*	-	10 4%xi	8 2%	1 1%	11 2%	2 1%	6 5%	3 1%	16 2%	20 2%

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Table 81

FOI_NEW1(c). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body delivers a service that could be thought of as public, like prisons, housing? FOI_NEW1_DeliversService. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered. When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors. I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider. In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body delivers a service that could be thought of as a public service, like prisons and housing?

Base : All

	Total (Weigh ted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweig hted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (h)	Scot -tish Lab (i)	Scot -tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (m)	Scot -tish Lab (n)	Scot -tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Essential	380	60 38% ^{hm}	69 40%	77 40%	84 38%	65 36%	277 39%	78 35%	20 22%	91 43% ^h	18 29%	193 39% ^h	28 53% ^{xhj}	26 25%	85 43% ^m	18 34%	186 40% ^m	31 39%	384
Very important	390	58 39%	61 37%	75 36%	86 39%	77 42%	263 37%	94 42%	44 48%	84 40%	27 42%	189 38%	21 39%	48 46%	74 38%	19 37%	177 38%	33 42%	386
Somewhat important	187	33 19% ⁱ	30 21%	40 17%	40 21%	37 20%	135 19%	44 20%	22 24% ^{il}	27 13%	16 25% ^{il}	98 20%	4 8%	24 24% ⁿ	26 13%	12 23%	90 19%	13 16%	187
Unimportant	25	6 2% ^c	6 4% ^c	- 4% ^c	- 2% ^c	4 2% ^c	18 3%	4 2%	2 2%	7 3%	3 4%	10 2%	-	2 2%	7 4%	3 6%	10 2%	1 1%	24
Don't know	19	2 2%	5 1%	1 3% ^e	7 1%	- 3% ^e	9 1%	5 2%	3 3%	2 1%	-	10 2%	-	3 3%	3 2%	-	8 2%	1 1%	20

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Table 82

FOI_NEW1(c). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body delivers a service that could be thought of as public, like prisons, housing? FOI_NEW1_DeliversService. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered. When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors. I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider. In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether... The body delivers a service that could be thought of as a public service, like prisons and housing?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Essential	380 38%	330 39%	50 32%	384 38%
Very important	390 39%	331 39%	57 36%	386 39%
Somewhat important	187 19% ^a	146 17%	41 26% ^{xa}	187 19%
Unimportant	25 2%	19 2%	6 3%	24 2%
Don't know	19 2%	14 2%	5 3%	20 2%

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Table 83

FOI_NEW1(d). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?
FOI_NEW1 Buildings. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
**In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
 The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?**

Base : All

	Total (Weight ed)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweigh ted Total	
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part- time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self- empl- -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)		All
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001	
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001	
Essential	422	221	200	63	66	152	135	181	46	96	94	149	55	245	107	59	111	310	418	
		42% bfm	46% xb	38%	44%	42%	46% f	37%	45%	38%	46%	37%	42%	44%	40%	45%	48%	42%	42%	42%
Very important	406	167	238	58	67	116	162	142	49	90	118	134	46	254	101	41	112	294	402	
		41% aeg	35%	46% xa	41%	43%	35%	45% xe	35%	41%	43%	46% xg	38%	38%	42%	42%	34%	42%	40%	40%
Somewhat important	145	75	69	20	21	49	54	67	23	19	35	61	19	92	26	22	37	108	149	
		14%	16%	13%	14%	14%	15%	17% i	19% i	9%	14%	17%	15%	15%	11%	18%	14%	15%	15%	
Unimportant	21	14	7	1	1	14	5	15	-	2	4	12	3	17	2	1	6	14	24	
		2%	3%	1%	1%	4% xf	1%	4% xh	-	1%	1%	3%	3%	3% x	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	
Don't know	8	2	6	-	-	3	6	-	2	2	4	-	*	4	4	-	-	8	8	
		1%	1%	1%	-	-	2%	-	2% g	1%	2% g	-	*	1%	2%	-	-	1%	1%	

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Table 84

FOI_NEW1(d). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?
FOI_NEW1 Buildings. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?

Base : All

	Total (Weigh ted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweig hted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (h)	Scot -tish Lab (i)	Scot -tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (m)	Scot -tish Lab (n)	Scot -tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Essential	422	64	77	86	99	68	300	94	24	86	23	226	28	28	84	21	216	32	418
		42% hm	41%	45%	45%	44%	43%	42%	27%	41% h	35%	45% h	55% h	28%	43% m	41%	46% m	41%	42%
Very important	406	70	66	73	90	75	283	92	47	81	28	203	17	52	72	18	188	29	402
		41%	44%	39%	38%	40%	40%	41%	52% xik	38%	43%	41%	33%	51% xn	37%	36%	40%	36%	40%
Somewhat important	145	18	24	30	25	37	106	29	17	39	12	57	7	18	35	10	54	16	149
		14% kp	11%	14%	16%	11%	15%	13%	19%	19% k	19%	11%	13%	18%	18%	20%	12%	20%	15%
Unimportant	21	1	3	3	7	4	10	7	1	5	2	11	-	3	4	2	9	1	24
		2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	3%	2%	-	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	2%
Don't know	8	5	*	-	2	-	4	2	2	-	-	4	-	2	-	-	4	2	8
		1%	3% xce	*	-	-	1%	1%	2%	-	-	1%	-	2%	-	-	1%	2%	1%

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Table 85

FOI_NEW1(d). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether...The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?
FOI_NEW1 Buildings. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Essential	422 42%	354 42%	68 42%	418 42%
Very important	406 41%	335 40%	69 44%	402 40%
Somewhat important	145 14%	128 15%	17 11%	149 15%
Unimportant	21 2%	20 2%	1 1%	24 2%
Don't know	8 1% ^a	4 *	4 3% ^a	8 1%

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Table 86

**FOI_NEW1(e). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?
FOI_NEW1_RailEnergy. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?**

Base : All

	Total (Weight ed)	Gender		AGE				Employment status of respondent				Work Sector		Tenure			Children in household		Unweigh ted Total
		Male (a)	Female (b)	18-24 (c)	25-34 (d)	35-54 (e)	55 or more (f)	Working (full time) (g)	Working (part- time) (h)	Not working (i)	Retired (j)	Private /Self- empl- -oyed (k)	Public (l)	Owner occup ied (m)	Rent council Housing Assoc. (n)	Rented private (o)	Yes (p)	No (q)	
	(x)																		
Unweighted Total	1001	452	549	101	141	367	382	460	129	145	257	308	240	730	132	96	270	731	1001
Weighted Total	1001	480	521	141*	156	334	361	407	121	209	254	356	123	613	241	123*	266	735	1001
Essential	326	177	148	48	39	121	115	148	34	59	81	118	40	200	74	43	80	246	325
	33%b	37%xb	28%	34%	25%	36%d	32%	36%x	28%	28%	32%	33%	33%	33%	31%	35%	30%	33%	32%
Very important	357	160	197	40	52	127	134	129	44	76	103	114	44	210	97	41	94	263	355
	36%g	33%	38%	29%	33%	38%	37%	32%	36%	37%	40%g	32%	36%	34%	40%	33%	35%	36%	35%
Somewhat important	239	110	129	43	58	62	74	103	35	56	44	100	33	158	44	33	77	162	244
	24%ejq	23%	25%	31%e	38%xef	19%	21%	25%j	29%j	27%j	17%	28%x	27%	26%x	18%	27%	29%q	22%	24%
Unimportant	63	30	32	9	7	21	25	25	5	18	15	21	5	35	21	4	13	49	59
	6%	6%	6%	7%	4%	6%	7%	6%	4%	8%	6%	6%	4%	6%	9%	3%	5%	7%	6%
Don't know	16	3	13	-	-	3	14	1	3	-	12	2	1	10	5	1	2	15	18
	2%ag	1%	3%a	-	-	1%	4%xde	*	3%gi	-	5%xgi	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%

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Table 87

FOI_NEW1(e). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?
FOI_NEW1_RailEnergy. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?

Base : All

	Total (Weigh ted)	Affluence of area 20% zones					Urban/rural		Party support Scottish Parliament Holyrood First vote - constituency					Party support Westminster Parliament					Unweig hted Total
		1 Most deprived (a)	2 (b)	3 (c)	4 (d)	5 Least deprived (e)	Urban (f)	Rural (g)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (h)	Scot -tish Lab (i)	Scot -tish LD (j)	SNP (k)	Other (l)	Scot -tish Con & Union -ist Party (m)	Scot -tish Lab (n)	Scot -tish LD (o)	SNP (p)	Other (q)	
Unweighted Total	1001	128	154	191	243	216	695	237	105	208	64	486	53	118	194	55	458	79	1001
Weighted Total	1001	158*	171	193	222	183	703	224	91*	211	64*	500	52*	103	195	52*	471	79*	1001
Essential	326	48	57	61	79	60	228	77	18	68	16	175	19	20	69	13	160	29	325
		33% hm	31%	33%	32%	36%	32%	34%	19%	32% h	25%	35% h	37% h	20%	35% m	25%	34% m	36% m	32%
Very important	357	57	62	75	74	57	249	76	40	65	24	185	19	43	59	18	179	26	355
		36%	36%	36%	39%	33%	35%	34%	44% i	31%	38%	37%	36%	42%	30%	34%	38%	33%	35%
Somewhat important	239	37	38	44	55	52	171	56	25	58	15	107	11	29	48	13	104	18	244
		24%	24%	22%	23%	28%	24%	25%	28%	27%	23%	21%	20%	28%	25%	25%	22%	23%	24%
Unimportant	63	11	12	10	10	13	47	10	7	16	6	27	3	8	14	7	24	3	59
		6%	7%	7%	5%	5%	7%	4%	7%	8%	9%	5%	5%	8%	7%	13% p	5%	4%	6%
Don't know	16	4	2	3	4	1	8	6	2	4	3	6	1	2	4	1	4	2	18
		2%	3%	1%	2%	*	1%	3%	2%	2%	5%	1%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%

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Table 88

FOI_NEW1(e). Subject to FOI - the Scottish Govnt to consider whether... The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?
FOI_NEW1_RailEnergy. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered.
When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors.
I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider.
In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...
The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?

Base : All

	Total (Weighted) (x)	Heard of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act? (FOI)		Unweighted Total
		Yes (a)	No (b)	
Unweighted Total	1001	863	137	1001
Weighted Total	1001	840	159	1001
Essential	326 33%	268 32%	58 36%	325 32%
Very important	357 36%	307 37%	49 31%	355 35%
Somewhat important	239 24%	203 24%	37 23%	244 24%
Unimportant	63 6%	52 6%	10 6%	59 6%
Don't know	16 2% ^a	10 1%	6 4%	18 2%

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Table 89

FOI_NEW1. The Scottish Government must consider whether to extend Freedom of Information law to bodies which are not currently covered. When deciding which bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, the Government must consider a number of factors. I'm going to read out some of these factors and I would like you to tell me how important each is for the Government to consider. In considering which new bodies should be subject to Freedom of Information law, how important, if at all, is it for the Scottish Government to consider whether...

- Summary table -

Base : All

	The body provides public services paid for with public money?	The body receives grants or other benefits from public money?	The body delivers a service that could be thought of as a public service, like prisons and housing?	The body builds and maintains public buildings like schools and hospitals?	The body delivers services that used to be state-owned like railways and energy?
Unweighted Total	1001	1001	1001	1001	1001
Weighted Total	1001	1001	1001	1001	1001
Essential	428 43%	341 34%	380 38%	422 42%	326 33%
Very important	357 36%	349 35%	390 39%	406 41%	357 36%
Somewhat important	169 17%	252 25%	187 19%	145 14%	239 24%
Unimportant	32 3%	37 4%	25 2%	21 2%	63 6%
Don't know	15 1%	22 2%	19 2%	8 1%	16 2%

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