

ANNEX A – Email correspondence

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 October 2020 18:12
To: Rogers D (David) (Constitution and Cabinet Director) <David.Rogers@gov.scot>
Subject: Support for independence reaches historic high

And guessing you're aware of this!

<https://news.stv.tv/politics/poll-support-for-independence-hits-historic-high-of-58?top>

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 October 2020 08:23
To: Rogers D (David) (Constitution and Cabinet Director) <David.Rogers@gov.scot>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Support for independence reaches historic high

[REDACTED] may already have shared 😊. But in case not:

A nice summary here of the wider results in the Ipsos Mori poll:
<https://www.ipsos.com/ipsos-mori/en-uk/record-public-support-scottish-independence>

And a John Curtice summary of where we are according to the polls/what we know:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-54542712>

ANNEX B – Excerpt from First Minister’s Questions briefing (14 October 2020).

14 October: Ipsos MORI poll for STV (25 Sep-5 Oct) finds that (when excluding ‘don’t knows’) 58% would vote yes in an independence referendum held tomorrow – the highest ever figure recorded by any poll, according to Professor John Curtice. 64% believe if the SNP wins a majority in 2021, The UK government should allow an independence referendum in the next 5 years. 63% are convinced by the argument that Scotland should be independent because Westminster governments cannot be trusted to act in the country’s best interests. 55% are convinced by the argument that Scotland should remain part of the UK because leaving would be a major risk to the country’s economy and jobs.