

SECTION 15

GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS: OCTOBER AND
FEBRUARY 1974, AND JUNE 1970 *

EXPLANATORY NOTES

In the following table the percentage of the vote won by each party is given for each constituency for the last three General Elections: where no figures are quoted for 1970, major boundary changes prevent comparison.

%OO and %CT: the percentage of owner-occupiers and council tenants in the constituency according to the 1971 census.

Electorate: 1977 figures. An asterisk denotes that it is over 125% of the Scottish average (53,000), so entitling the constituency to a third seat in the Scottish Assembly under the Scotland Act, other constituencies having two. The first Assembly seats will be fought on a constituency-wide basis; thereafter each parliamentary constituency will be divided into two or three Assembly constituencies by the Boundary Commission.

MP: 'e' is date when last entered Commons. C: Communist

Percentage of votes won by each party in each constituency in the General Elections of October and February 1974 and June 1970; turnout; size of constituency; proportion of council tenants and owner occupiers; names of MPs

%OO	%CT	Date	Turnout	Party Percentages					Member of Parliament		
				Lab	SNP	Con	Lib	Other			
16	65	Aberdeen North	1974 Oct	70	50.9	29.7	11.3	8.1	—	9,621	Robert Hughes
		65,000	Feb	76	47.7	23.3	16.7	12.3	—	11,856	(b.1932, e.1970) — Lab
			1970 June	70	62.1	8.4	22.0	6.3	1.2C	17,900	
44	34	Aberdeen South	1974 Oct	76	34.8	20.1	35.5	9.6	—	365	Iain Sproat
		66,000	Feb	82	33.2	13.7	39.6	13.4	—	3,558	(b.1938, e.1970) — Con
			1970 June	77	43.3	5.3	45.4	6.0	—	1,089	
37	39	Aberdeenshire East	1974 Oct	71	9.4	48.5	35.5	6.6	—	4,371	Douglas Henderson
		52,000	Feb	77	6.7	50.8	35.0	7.5	—	5,699	(b.1935, e.Feb.74) — SNP
			1970 June	69	18.0	29.8	40.9	11.3	—	3,489	
42	32	Aberdeenshire West	1974 Oct	77	12.2	22.2	35.7	29.9	—	2,468	Russell Fairgrieve
		64,000	Feb	81	10.5	15.4	38.9	35.2	—	1,640	(b.1924, e.Feb.74) — Con
			1970 June	76	15.5	5.3	46.6	32.5	—	5,549	

* For names and votes of all candidates in October 1974 see Scottish Government Yearbook 1978.

%OO	%CT	Date	Turnout	% Party Percentages			Party Percentages			Member of Parliament	
				Lab	SNP	Con	Lib	Other	Maj		
36	34	Angus North & Mearns 41,000	1974 Oct	72	12.3	34.2	43.6	9.9	—	2,551	Alick Buchanan-Smith
			Feb	79	12.8	23.3	48.8	15.1	—	7,451	(b.1932, e.1964) — Con
			1970 June	75	18.4	16.9	53.1	11.6	—	9,595	
33	34	Angus South 57,000	1974 Oct	75	10.5	43.8	39.2	6.5	—	1,824	Andrew Welsh
			Feb	80	13.8	36.6	49.5	—	—	5,343	(b.1944, e.Oct.1974) — SNP
			1970 June	74	20.7	23.1	56.1	—	—	12,030	
37	35	Argyll 43,000	1974 Oct	72	13.6	49.7	36.7	—	—	3,931	Iain MacCormick
			Feb	77	12.6	48.8	38.6	—	—	3,288	(b.1939, e.Feb.1974) — SNP
			1970 June	74	25.2	29.9	44.8	—	—	4,482	
42	49	Ayr 54,000	1974 Oct	79	34.6	16.7	42.1	6.3	—	3,219	George Younger
			Feb	83	38.6	11.0	50.4	—	—	5,098	(b.1931, e.1964) — Con
			1970 June	82	42.1	5.2	52.7	—	—	4,450	
25	67	Ayrshire Central 65,000	1974 Oct	79	45.1	24.5	24.8	5.6	—	9,555	David Lambie
			Feb	82	49.0	15.0	36.0	—	—	6,277	(b.1925, e.1970) — Lab
39	46	Ayrshire North & Bute 50,000	1974 Oct	71	28.8	25.9	38.9	6.4	—	3,506	John Corrie
			Feb	77	27.8	16.3	45.7	10.2	—	6,730	(b.1935, e.Feb.1974) — Con
			1970 June	74	35.4	10.9	53.6	—	—	6,394	
19	69	Ayrshire South 51,000	1974 Oct	77	56.2	19.8	18.6	5.4	—	14,478	James Sillars
			Feb	79	57.2	16.4	26.4	—	—	12,450	(b.1937, e.1970)—Scottish Labour
			1970 June	77	61.8	8.0	30.2	—	—	12,235	Party
42	37	Banff 33,000	1974 Oct	73	7.3	45.9	37.9	8.9	—	1,851	Hamish Watt
			Feb	76	6.4	46.1	34.5	13.0	—	2,785	(b.1926, e.Feb.1974) — SNP
			1970 June	70	17.4	22.9	38.7	21.0	—	3,451	
26	52	Berwick & East Lothian 61,000	1974 Oct	83	43.3	13.2	37.6	5.9	—	2,740	John Mackintosh
			Feb	86	42.3	14.2	43.4	—	—	540	(b.1929, e.Oct.1974) — Lab
			1970 June	84	45.6	10.2	44.2	—	—	641	
25	49	Bothwell 61,000	1974 Oct	77	48.7	24.5	17.9	8.9	—	10,948	James Hamilton
			Feb	81	46.8	14.1	26.7	11.2	1.2C	9,601	(b.1918, e.1964) — Lab
34	42	Caithness & Sutherland 30,000	1974 Oct	78	35.3	23.9	18.8	22.0	—	2,560	Robert MacLennan
			Feb	83	36.1	16.1	21.5	26.2	—	2,352	(b.1936, e.1966) — Lab
			1970 June	83	36.7	15.5	22.4	25.4	—	2,705	

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11	85	Coatbridge & Airdrie 60,000	1974 Oct	75	51.6	27.9	17.2	3.3	—	10,568	James Dempsey
			Feb	78	54.1	17.3	28.6	—	—	11,783	(b.1917, e.1959) — Lab
33	45	Dumfries 64,000	1974 Oct	77	26.5	26.4	38.8	8.3	—	5,828	Hector Monro
			Feb	80	25.8	18.6	44.0	11.4	—	8,968	(b.1922, e.1964) — Con
			1970 June	76	33.5	13.4	53.1	—	—	9,106	
23	68	Dunbartonshire Central 50,000	1974 Oct	80	40.2	29.1	17.2	4.8	8.7C	4,385	Hugh McCartney
			Feb	83	40.4	14.5	24.0	6.3	14.6C	6,664	(b.1920, e.1970) — Lab
40	57	Dunbartonshire East 69,000*	1974 Oct	81	30.3	31.2	31.1	7.3	—	22	Margaret Bain
			Feb	85	29.6	22.3	36.1	11.4	—	3,676	(b.1945, e.Oct.1974) — SNP
29	54	Dunbartonshire West 55,000	1974 Oct	78	38.1	33.7	23.2	5.0	—	1,814	Ian Campbell
			Feb	80	39.6	27.2	33.2	—	—	2,609	(b.1926, e.1970) — Lab
23	57	Dundee East 65,000	1974 Oct	73	32.7	47.7	16.8	2.8	—	6,983	Gordon Wilson
			Feb	81	33.7	39.5	26.3	—	0.4	2,966	(b.1938, e.Feb.74) — SNP
			1973 Mar (by-election)	71	32.7	30.2	25.2	8.3	3.6	1,141	
18	62	Dundee West 64,000	1970 June	76	48.3	8.9	42.3	—	0.4	2,798	
			1974 Oct	74	41.0	35.1	18.5	4.6	0.8C	2,802	Peter Doig
			Feb	81	43.0	25.1	30.5	—	1.3C	6,448	(b.1911, e.1963) — Lab
25	60	Dunfermline 64,000	1970 June	76	51.5	8.7	38.1	—	1.6C	6,822	
			1974 Oct	76	40.1	28.6	23.0	8.2	—	5,291	Adam Hunter
14	83	East Kilbride 73,000*	Feb	81	39.3	17.8	30.3	12.6	—	4,410	(b.1908, e.1964) — Lab
			1974 Oct	79	41.9	36.7	16.3	5.1	—	2,704	Maurice Miller
47	11	Edinburgh Central 39,000	Feb	81	43.9	25.9	28.9	—	1.3C	7,968	(b.1920, e.1964) — Lab
			1974 Oct	68	40.3	24.8	26.0	8.9	—	3,953	Robin Cook
34	56	Edinburgh East 58,000	Feb	74	37.8	13.6	34.6	13.9	—	961	(b.1946, e.Feb.1974) — Lab
			1974 Oct	76	44.9	25.6	23.1	5.9	0.5C	8,456	Gavin Strang
			Feb	81	43.7	15.4	31.6	8.6	0.6C	5,549	(b.1943, e.1970) — Lab
45	25	Edinburgh Leith 38,000	1970 June	74	51.9	8.2	39.0	—	0.9C	5,514	
			1974 Oct	75	39.7	26.1	28.0	6.2	—	3,445	Ronald King Murray
			Feb	79	40.6	21.1	38.3	—	721	(b.1922, e.1970) — Lab	

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58	10	Edinburgh North 46,000	1974 Oct	69	25.9	23.5	39.3	11.2	—	4,391	Alex Fletcher (b.1929, e.1973) — Con
39	46	Edinburgh Pentlands 59,000	1974 Oct	76	30.9	24.5	33.9	10.6	—	1,257	Malcolm Rifkind (b.1946, e.Feb.1974) — Con
49	36	Edinburgh South 58,000	1974 Oct	74	28.2	21.7	35.9	14.2	—	3,226	Michael Clark Hutchison (b.1914, e.1957) — Con
			1970 June	74	27.5	12.8	41.7	17.9	—	6,381	
53	27	Edinburgh West 55,000	1974 Oct	77	25.2	20.2	38.2	16.4	—	5,202	Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (b.1942, e.Oct.1974) — Con
			Feb	82	24.4	9.9	44.2	21.5	—	8,477	
16	82	Fife Central 61,000	1974 Oct	74	51.9	33.4	12.3	—	2.4C	7,986	William Hamilton (b.1917, e.1950) — Lab
			Feb	79	53.2	22.5	19.8	—	4.4C	14,094	
39	40	Fife East 59,000	1974 Oct	74	16.9	31.7	38.8	12.6	—	2,914	Sir John Gilmour (b.1912, e.1961) — Con
			Feb	79	15.0	19.4	47.9	17.6	—	12,579	
39	36	Galloway 41,000	1974 Oct	77	9.0	40.3	40.2	10.5	—	30	George Thompson (b.1928, e.Oct.1974) — SNP
			Feb	78	10.2	30.7	43.9	15.3	—	4,008	
36	48	Glasgow Cathcart 50,000	1974 Oct	77	38.1	16.4	42.7	2.8	—	1,757	Teddy Taylor (b.1937, e.1964) — Con
			Feb	81	40.6	13.6	45.8	—	—	2,095	
15	44	Glasgow Central 21,000	1974 Oct	57	63.6	19.2	13.0	4.2	—	6,441	Tom McMillan (b.1919, e.1966) — Lab
			Feb	63	58.6	13.8	21.4	6.1	—	5,965	
16	76	Glasgow Craigton 45,000	1974 Oct	76	50.5	24.3	20.0	5.1	—	8,781	Bruce Millan (b.1927, e.1959) — Lab
			Feb	80	51.3	17.9	30.7	—	—	7,238	
6	91	Glasgow Garscadden 53,000	1978 Apr (by-election)	69	45.4	32.9	18.6	—	3.1	4,552	Donald Dewar (b.1937, e.1978) — Lab
			1974 Oct	71	50.9	31.2	12.9	4.9	—	7,626	
			Feb	74	52.3	21.8	24.3	—	1.6C	11,264	
26	33	Glasgow Govan 28,000	1974 Oct	72	49.5	41.0	7.0	1.9	0.4	1,952	Harry Selby (b.1914, e.1973) — Lab
			Feb	75	43.2	40.9	12.7	3.2	—	543	
47	23	Glasgow Hillhead 41,000	1974 Oct	72	28.2	22.8	37.1	11.9	—	2,696	Tam Galbraith (b.1917, e.1948) — Con
			Feb	79	24.4	11.3	43.9	20.3	—	6,381	

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32	9	Glasgow Kelvingrove 37,000	1974 Oct	63	42.8	23.2	27.6	6.4	—	4,119	Neil Carmichael (b.1921, e.Feb.1962) — Lab
			Feb	69	44.5	19.2	36.3	—	—	2,398	
10	77	Glasgow Maryhill 51,000	1974 Oct	66	57.6	29.9	9.3	3.1	—	9,418	Jim Craigen (b.1938, e.Feb.1974) — Lab
			Feb	70	56.6	24.9	18.5	—	—	11,383	
31	53	Glasgow Pollok 60,000	1974 Oct	72	43.5	24.3	27.0	5.3	—	7,091	James White (b.1922, e.1970) — Lab
			Feb	78	46.1	14.4	38.7	—	0.8C	3,406	
			1970 June	73	46.2	8.9	44.8	—	—	603	
1	97	Glasgow Provan 55,000	1974 Oct	64	58.6	30.2	9.8	—	1.4C	9,974	Hugh Brown (b.1919, e.1964) — Lab
			Feb	69	61.6	19.6	16.8	—	2.0C	15,787	
28	39	Glasgow Queen's Park 36,000	1974 Oct	67	56.1	21.8	17.0	3.7	1.4C	8,914	Frank McElhone (b.1929, e.1969) — Lab
			Feb	73	56.2	26.6	15.5	—	1.6	8,366	
21	48	Glasgow Shettleston 34,000	1974 Oct	64	54.3	28.5	14.4	2.8	—	6,349	Sir Myer Galpern (b.1903, e.1959) — Lab
			Feb	69	53.6	22.0	24.4	—	—	7,736	
21	57	Glasgow Springburn 44,000	1974 Oct	67	54.6	28.3	13.3	2.7	1.1C	8,395	Richard Buchanan (b.1912, e.1964) — Lab
			Feb	70	53.7	22.8	22.1	—	1.4C	10,395	
16	70	Greenock & Port Glasgow 62,000	1974 Oct	71	48.2	21.1	11.3	19.4	—	11,955	J. Dickson Mabon (b.1925, e.1955) — Lab
			Feb	67	48.3	11.4	18.5	20.6	1.1C	11,776	
26	68	Hamilton 52,000	1978 May (by-election)	72	51.0	33.4	13.0	2.6	—	6,492	George Robertson (b.1945, e.1978) — Lab
			1974 Oct	81	47.5	39.0	9.5	4.0	—	3,332	
			Feb	80	48.0	31.9	20.1	—	—	6,378	
37	42	Inverness 62,000	1974 Oct	71	15.6	29.6	22.0	32.4	—	1,134	Russell Johnston (b.1932, e.1964) — Lib
			Feb	76	17.9	16.6	26.7	38.7	—	5,223	
			1970 June	72	27.7	—	32.9	39.5	—	2,395	
24	68	Kilmarnock 61,000	1974 Oct	80	45.7	30.2	18.9	5.2	—	7,529	William Ross (b.1911, e.1946) — Lab
			Feb	83	47.2	15.3	27.7	9.8	—	9,727	
41	26	Kinross & West Perthshire 38,000	1974 Oct	75	7.6	41.5	41.7	9.2	—	53	Nicholas Fairbairn (b.1933, e.Oct.74) — Con
			Feb	78	9.9	23.1	52.9	14.0	—	8,082	
			1970 June	74	15.2	18.6	57.4	8.8	—	9,764	
21	65	Kirkcaldy 61,000	1974 Oct	75	45.4	32.0	16.5	6.1	—	6,101	Harry Gourlay (b.1916, e.1959) — Lab
			Feb	79	46.9	25.7	27.3	—	—	9,382	

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26	63	Lanark 50,000	1974 Oct	82	37.6	35.8	23.2	3.4	—	698	Judith Hart
			Feb	84	41.7	21.8	36.5	—	—	2,100	(b.1924, e.1959) — Lab
34	58	Lanarkshire North 56,000	1974 Oct	80	46.2	26.9	22.5	4.4	—	8,341	John Smith
			Feb	83	48.4	18.5	33.1	—	—	6,784	(b.1938, e.1970) — Lab
22	66	Midlothian 96,000*	1974 Oct	77	41.5	35.6	16.0	6.9	—	4,084	Alex Eadie
			Feb	82	44.6	26.9	28.4	—	—	11,742	(b.1920, e.1966) — Lab
35	35	Moray & Nairn 45,000	1970 June	75	52.9	15.5	31.5	—	—	12,474	
			1974 Oct	75	9.7	41.2	40.0	9.1	—	367	Winifred Ewing
13	83	Motherwell & Wishaw 52,000	1974 Oct	75	44.6	31.8	18.2	2.9	2.4C	4,962	Jeremy Bray
			Feb	77	46.7	20.0	30.6	—	2.7C	6,313	(b.1930, e.Oct.1974) — Lab
52	22	Orkney & Shetland 28,000	1974 Oct	67	12.4	17.2	14.2	56.2	—	6,852	Jo Grimond
			Feb	—	15.4	—	22.6	62.0	—	7,305	(b.1913, e.1950) — Lib
21	66	Paisley 64,000	1970 June	66	21.1	—	31.9	47.0	—	2,532	
			1974 Oct	72	41.8	33.1	15.6	6.5	—	5,590	John Robertson
33	42	Perth & East Perthshire 62,000	1974 Oct	74	13.6	40.8	38.9	6.7	—	793	Douglas Crawford
			Feb	78	15.1	27.2	47.3	10.4	—	8,975	(b.1941, e.Oct.1974) — SNP
67	28	Renfrewshire East 64,000	1970 June	74	23.8	16.9	52.1	7.2	—	11,888	
			1974 Oct	78	20.8	23.2	41.4	14.6	—	8,710	Betty Harvie Anderson
30	59	Renfrewshire West 73,000*	1974 Oct	80	38.5	28.6	26.8	6.1	—	5,300	Norman Buchan
			Feb	80	40.2	15.2	35.4	9.1	—	2,668	(b.1922, e.1964) — Lab
44	33	Ross & Cromarty 34,000	1974 Oct	70	16.8	35.7	38.9	8.6	—	663	Hamish Gray
			Feb	75	19.8	23.0	36.1	21.1	—	2,871	(b.1927, e.1970) — Con
34	43	Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles 59,000	1970 June	72	26.0	11.7	33.2	29.1	—	801	
			1974 Oct	79	8.9	20.0	27.4	43.7	—	7,433	David Steel
			Feb	86	6.2	8.0	33.7	52.0	—	9,017	(b.1938, e.1965) — Lib
			1970 June	81	9.6	6.8	41.1	42.2	0.3	550	

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36	55	Rutherglen 49,000	1974 Oct	79	44.4	25.3	24.0	6.3	—	7,356	Gregor Mackenzie
			Feb	82	47.6	15.2	37.2	—	—	4,153	(b.1927, e.1964) — Lab
24	68	Stirling, Falkirk & Grange- mouth 66,000	1974 Oct	79	43.2	39.8	14.1	2.9	—	1,766	Harry Ewing
			Feb	82	41.9	34.5	23.6	—	—	3,849	(b.1931, e.1971) — Lab
			1971 Sept (by-election)	60	46.5	34.6	18.4	—	—	4,488	
21	71	Stirlingshire East & Clackmannan 66,000	1970 June	73	50.7	14.5	34.8	—	—	7,230	
			1974 Oct	82	36.3	50.7	10.5	2.5	—	7,341	George Reid
21	70	Stirlingshire West 56,000	1970 June	76	50.7	15.5	38.2	5.6	—	10,551	
			1974 Oct	81	39.0	38.2	18.4	4.4	—	367	Dennis Canavan
71	20	Western Isles 23,000	1974 Oct	83	40.8	29.7	29.5	—	—	4,844	(b.1942, e.Oct.1974) — Lab
			Feb	79	48.9	21.4	29.7	—	—	7,419	
15	77	West Lothian 83,000*	1974 Oct	63	24.7	61.5	8.3	5.5	—	5,232	Donald Stewart
			Feb	67	19.1	67.0	6.9	—	6.8	7,200	(b.1920, e.1970) — SNP
			1970 June	65	38.4	43.1	18.5	—	—	726	
			1974 Oct	79	45.3	40.9	10.0	3.4	—	2,690	Tam Dalyell
			Feb	81	45.3	34.9	19.0	—	0.7C	6,422	(b.1932, e.1962) — Lab
			1970 June	77	52.9	28.1	18.1	—	0.8C	13,744	