

## **Scottish Public Opinion Monitor January 2012**





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Understanding Scotland

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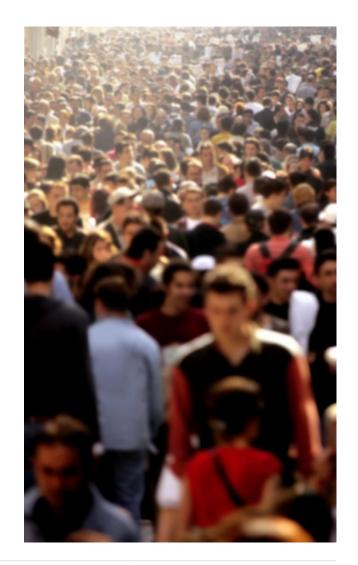






### **Technical details**

- This presents the topline results from Scotland
- Results are based on a survey of 1,005 respondents conducted by telephone
- Fieldwork dates: 27th January 29th January 2012
- Data are weight by: age, sex and working status using census data; tenure using SHS 2007-2008 data; and public-private sector employment using Scottish Government Quarterly Public Sector Employment series data
- Where results do not sum to 100%, this may be due to computer rounding, multiple responses, or the exclusion of "don't know" categories
- Results are based on all respondents (1,005) unless otherwise stated

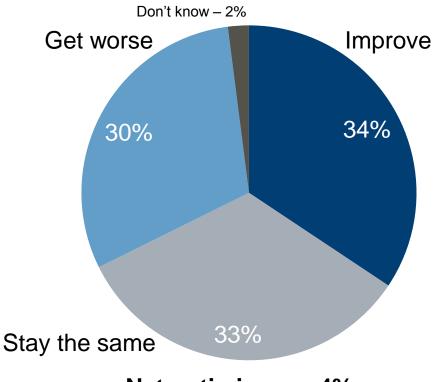




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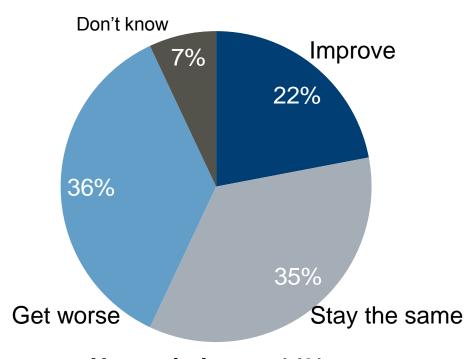
### Q: Do you think your personal finances will improve, stay the same or get worse...

# In the next five years Don't know – 2%



Net optimism = +4%

## If Scotland were to become an independent country



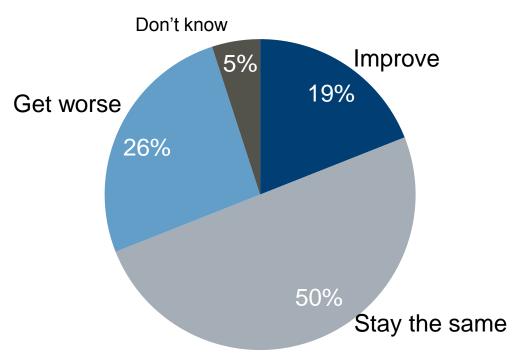
Net optimism = -14%

Base: All (1,005). Data collected among 1,005 Scottish adults 18+, 27-29 January 2012

#### Q: Do you think your job security will improve, stay the same or get worse...

### In the next five years Don't know – 3% **Improve** Get worse 18% 19% 60% Stay the same **Net optimism = -1%**





Net optimism = -7%

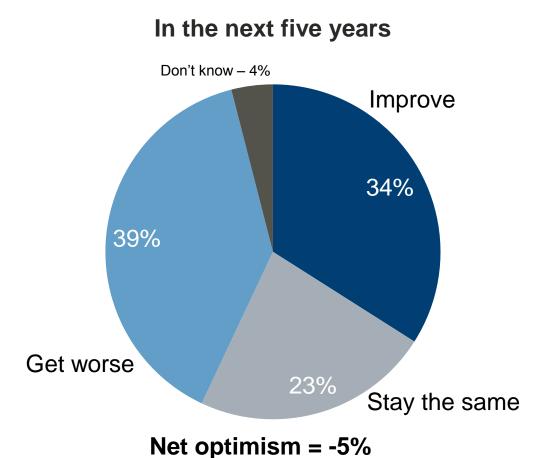
Base: All those currently working (581). Data collected among 1,005 Scottish adults 18+, 27-29 January 2012



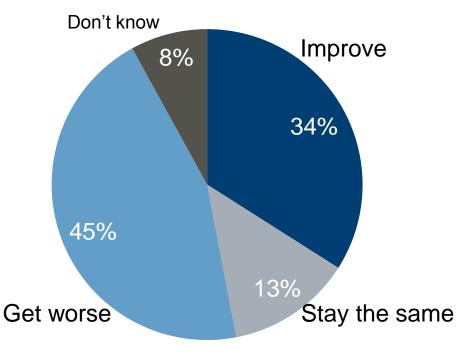
#### **Economic conditions in Scotland**



Q: Do you think economic conditions in Scotland will improve, stay the same or get worse...







Net optimism = -11%

Base: All (1,005). Data collected among 1,005 Scottish adults 18+, 27-29 January 2012



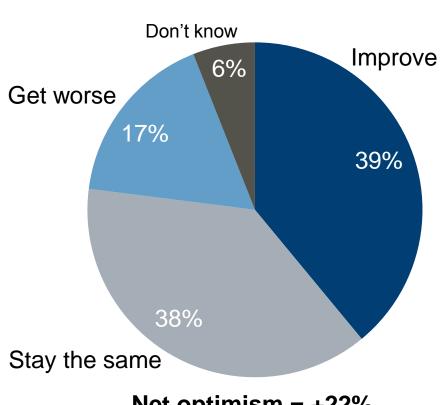
### Scotland's standing in the world

In the next five years



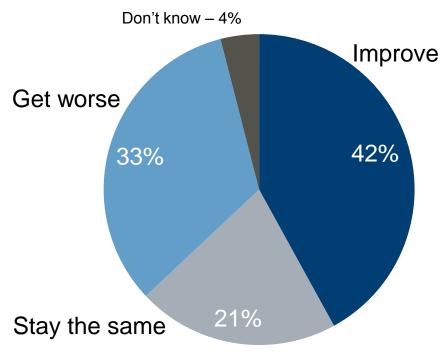
Q: Do you think Scotland's standing in the world will improve, stay the same or get worse...





#### Net optimism = +22%

### If Scotland were to become an independent country



Net optimism = +9%

Base: All (1,005). Data collected among 1,005 Scottish adults 18+, 27-29 January 2012





### Thank you

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