

TellUs2 Questionnaire Summary Sheet

South Gloucester

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Tellus2 Survey

The TellUs2 survey was a survey of children and young people across England, asking their views about their local area, and including questions covering the five Every Child Matters outcomes. The survey was carried out in Spring 2007. A sample of schools were selected within each local authority, spread across the different types of schools in each area. The schools were then provided with guidance detailing how to select pupils to take part within the school.

This summary presents the questions in the same way they were presented to respondents. The questions were developed through cognitive testing with children, to ensure they understood the questions and answered them in a meaningful way. This means that some of the questions may not give data consistent with 'standard' definitions, for example, self-defining a disability.

The responses from the survey were weighted to ensure that the summary data at local authority and national level is representative of the population of Year 6, 8 and 10 children within that area in terms of the following characteristics: gender, age, proportion of children eligible for free school meals in the school (as a proxy for deprivation) and type of school. Population data for 2006 from the Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC) was used to derive the weights, and the number of children attending Pupil Referral Units is obtained from the 2006 School Level Annual School Census (SLASC).

The summary report

The summary report provides data for the selected questions at local authority level and national level. Where insufficient numbers of pupils or schools took part in a local authority, their results aren't presented at local authority level. Where there are insufficient responses in one age group, the local authority summary report excludes this age group only. Results have been reported for a local authority wherever possible, where there are sufficient responses to provide some useful evidence. However, in some cases the response rate is relatively low. This should be taken into account when interpreting the results. All responses are included in the national data.

Sample characteristics (Section 1: About you)

This section gives details of the demographic characteristics of respondents to the survey (i.e. unweighted sample information). The rest of the survey data has been weighted, to adjust for any disproportionality between the sample and the population.

The five Every Child Matters Outcome sections (2: Be healthy, 3: Stay safe, 4: Enjoy and achieve, 5: Make a positive contribution, 6: Achieve economic well-being)

Data at local authority level within these sections of the report has been weighted to take account of differences from our sample population to the local authority population in terms of gender, age, type of school and free school meals eligibility (as a proxy for deprivation).

Where there is a significant difference between the local authority figure and the national figure, the figure is highlighted bold. This will indicate that the result obtained by this analysis is significantly different to the national average (at the 95% level). Where it is clear that there is a positive or negative outcome of the significant difference between the local authority figure and the national figure, the figure is highlighted either red or green. Local authorities with incomplete weighted data for all year groups have not had significance testing applied. This is due to the unequal basis of comparison between the local authority and national figures.

Questions which were only asked of secondary school children are identified after the question as such (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY).

5 or more

Don't Know

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1. About you		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Are you:		
Male	48	50
Female	52	50
How old are you?		
Year 6 (Aged 10 & 11)	49	41
Year 8 (Aged 12 & 13)	27	32
Year 10 (Aged 14 & 15)	25	26
Which one of these best describes you?		
White	93	78
Mixed race	1	1
Asian or Asian British	2	11
Black or Black British	1	6
Chinese or other	1	2
Don't Know	2	2
Which of these are you, if any?		
Disabled	1	1
Deaf	1	1
Blind	0	0
None of these	99	99
Do you receive free school meals?		
Yes	7	15
No	89	81
Don't Know	4	4
Do you receive extra help at school with		
your learning or behaviour from someone		
other than your teacher?		
Yes	22	22
No	66	66
Don't Know	12	13
2: Being Healthy		
Table 2a: How healthy are you? (Tick one box	r only)	
Very healthy	31	31
Quite healthy	57	55
Not very healthy	6	9
Don't Know	5	5
Table 2b: How many portions of fruit and veg	etables do you	eat in a da
normally? (Tick one box only)		
None	3	4
1-2	22	26
3-4	46	40

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Table 2c: Over the last 7 days, on how many	days have you	snent at least
30 minutes doing sports or other active thing	•	•
None	2	4
1-2 days	19	18
3-5 days	36	35
6 days or more	39	38
Don't Know	4	5
Table 2d : Have you ever smoked a cigarette		
No	76	73
Yes	18	21
Prefer not to say	6	5
Table 2e : Have you ever had an alcoholic dri	nk. a whole dri	nk not just a
sip? (Tick one box only)	iik a wilolc alli	ik, not just u
No	39	42
Yes	51	48
Prefer not to say	11	10
Table 2f: In the last four weeks, how many ti	mes, if any, hav	e you got
drunk? (Tick one box only)		
None	28	23
Once/Twice	11	12
Three or more times	6	7
Prefer not to say/ Don't know/remember	5	5
Table 2g: Which of these drugs, if any, have	-	e last four
weeks? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ON	•	
I have never taken any drugs	80	80
I haven't taken any drugs in the last four	9	7
weeks Cannabis (weed, grass, hash)	10	9
Solvents (e.g. sniffing or breathing in glue,	10	9
gas aerosols)	2	3
	2	3
Other drugs (e.g. Cocaine, LSD, Ecstasy,	2	3
Heroin, speed, magic mushrooms)	_	Ü
Prefer not to say	6	6
Table 2h : What do you think of the informati	-	ou get on the
following things? (Tick one box only) (YEAR	8 & 10 ONLY)	
Need more/better information and advice		
Eating healthy food	20	20
Alcohol	25	27
Smoking	24	26
Drugs	28	31
Sex and relationships	34	37

2: Being Healthy (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 2h contd.: What do you think of the information and advice you get

on the following things? (Tick one box of	only) (YEAR 8 & 10 OI	NLY)
lt's good enough		
Eating healthy food	80	80
Alcohol	75	73
Smoking	76	74
Drugs	72	69
Sex and relationships	66	63

Table 2i: Which of the following things, if any, do you worry about the			
most? (Tick all that apply)			
Being bullied	27	25	
School work	33	35	
Exams	48	51	
Girlfriends/boyfriends/sex (year 8 & 10 only)	22	28	
Being healthy	29	32	
Money	27	29	
Friendships	42	39	
My Future	29	30	
Getting into trouble	24	27	
My parents or family	27	29	

Table 2j: If you had a problem at home that you couldn't talk to your mum/step mum or dad/step dad or your carer about, who if anyone would you talk to about it or ask for help? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)

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Nobody	11	14
Brother(s) or sister(s)	38	37
Other family members (that you don't live		
with)	26	29
Friends	72	71
Friend's parent	13	12
Neighbour	7	6
Teachers or adult at school	10	14
Counsellor or social worker or other support		
workers	3	5
Youth group leaders or sports coach	4	5
A telephone helpline	4	5
Someone else	7	8
Don't know	10	8

Note: Figures in bold indicate that the local authority figure is significantly different from the national average, at the 95% confidence level. If the difference indicates a positive outcome for children and young people in the local authority then the local authorities' figure is also coloured green. If it indicates a negative outcome then it is coloured red. If there is a difference but it does not necessarily mean a positive or negative outcome then the local authority figure is bold but coloured black. Unweighted data in the 'About You' section has not had significance testing applied.

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3: Staying safe		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 3a: How safe or unsafe from being hurt by other people do you		
feel? (Tick one box only)		
Very/Quite safe		
Around the local area	79	74
On public transport	67	68
Going to and from school	89	85
In school	85	85
At home	96	95
A bit/Very unsafe		
Around the local area	20	25
On public transport	26	27
Going to and from school	10	13
In school	14	14
At home	4	4
Don't know		
Around the local area	1	2
On public transport	7	5
Going to and from school	1	2
In school	1	1
At home	0	1

Table 3b: How often, if at all, have you been bullie	d in sc	hool in the last
four weeks? (Tick one box only)		

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Never	74	70
A couple of times in the last four weeks	16	17
About once a week	2	4
Two or three times a week	3	3
Most days	5	5

Table 3c : How well does your school deal	with bullying?(Tic	k one box)
Very/Quite well	57	57
Not very/Not at all well	30	30
Bullying not a problem in my school	3	4
Don't know	10	9

Note: Data for table 4c and 4e have been removed due to the discovery of a last minute error.

4: Enjoy and achieve		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 4a: For each of the things below, please tick the box that shows how often it is true for you. (Tick one box only)		
Always/ Most of the time	54	58
Sometimes	39	34
Never	7	9
I try my best at school		
Always/ Most of the time	81	81
Sometimes	17	17
Never	2	3

Table 4b: Which of the things below, if any, mig	ght help you do better in
school? (Tick all that apply)	

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More help from teachers	38	40
More fun/interesting lessons	81	79
A quieter/better behaved class or group	40	40
Smaller classes/groups	39	36
Fewer bullies	30	31
More help from family and friends	21	22
Somewhere quiet at home to do homework		
•	21	23
None of these	/	8

Table 4c: Which of these, if any, would you like to go to that you don't at the moment? (Tick all that apply)

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A youth club or youth group	
Swimming pool Sports club	
After-school or breakfast club	
Music group or lesson (not in school lesson) Art, craft, dance, drama, film-making group/class (not in school lessons) Other Nothing	

Table 4d: Why don't you go to these at the moment?(Tick all that apply)		
Don't have time	34	31
There aren't any near me	25	30
Don't like the ones near me	11	11
Don't know what there is	12	13
Lack of transport	12	14
Costs too much	22	23

4: Enjoy and achieve (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 4d contd: Why don't you go to these at the moment? (Tick all that		
apply)		
Don't like the people who go	9	10
Parent doesn't let me	10	11
Feel unsafe travelling home	6	9
I have a disability, sight or hearing problem	1	2
Something else	8	10
Nothing stops me	18	15
Don't know	20	17

Table 4e: If new activities opened up in your area, how would you most like to find out about them? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 &10 ONLY)

Family	
Friends	
Youth clubs/groups	
School teachers	
Posters/local paper/leaflets	

Table 4f: Do you know enough about what activities there are for you to do in the area, or do you need more information? (Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 &10 ONLY)

37	36
45	42
19	22
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Table 4g : Overall, what do you think of the activities and things to do in your area? (Tick one box only) Good enough 31 26 Need a little more/better things to do 47 45 Need a lot more/better things to do 22 29

5: Making a positive contribution

Don't know

Table 5a: How much are children and young people's views listened to in			
decisions about the local area?(Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)			
Great deal/fair amount	25	24	
Not much/Not at all	56	58	

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5: Making a positive contribution (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 5b: In the last year, have you ever given your views about the local area, such as about local problems or local activities and facilities in any of these ways? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)

Filled in questionnaire	17	21
Member of youth parliament	3	4
Meetings outside school	4	6
None of these	80	74

Table 5c: Which of these have you done in the	last year? (Tick	all that apply)
Voted in school, class or year group election		
at school	44	43
Been on a school council or parliament	16	14
None of the above	38	41
Don't know	15	14

Table 5d: And have you done any of the things	below in the las	st four weeks
(Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)		
Helped elderly/disabled person	20	24
Helped care for someone who is sick	19	24
Done something else to help family and friends	73	74
Done something else to help a neighbour or someone else in the local area	26	29
None of these	18	15

Table 5e: In the last year, have you done anything to help raise money for a charity or local group? (Tick one box only)		
Yes	64	65
No	36	35

Table 5f: How much do you feel children and young people's views are listened to in the running of your school?(Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)

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Great deal/fair amount	56	52
Not much/none at all	32	38
Don't know	12	11

6: Achieving Economic Well - Being		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 6a: What do you think of your local area as a place to live in? (Tick one box only)		
Very/fairly good	80	74
Neither good nor poor	14	16
Fairly/very poor	4	8

Don't know

Table 6b: What do you think of the public transport (such as buses,			
trains, trams, tube) in your area? (Tick one box only)			
Very/fairly good	49	57	
Neither good nor poor	34	26	
Fairly/yery poor	17	16	

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Table 6c : What do you hope to do when you leave school? (Tick one		
box only)		
Get a job at 16	18	16
Study and get a job at 18	17	17
Study and go to university	47	50
Something else	5	7
Don't know	12	10

Table 6d: What do you think of the information and help you get to plan your future? e.g. choosing subject options and thinking about jobs and careers (Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)

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It's good enough	36	36	
Need a little more or better information and			
advice	40	39	
Need a lot more or better information and			
advice	13	16	
Don't know what there is	11	9	

Table 6e: Which of these things, if any, would do the most to make your area a better place for you to live? (Tick all that apply)

our area a better place for you to into: (flox	an that apply	,
More or better shops	45	47
Cleaner and less litter	48	48
More or better sport clubs/centres	42	44
Better public transport	25	26
Safer roads	35	35
More or better activities for children and		
young people	47	50
Safer area or less crime	35	40
More or better parks and green spaces	49	48
Less young people hanging around	26	26
Something else	8	9

6: Achieving Economic Well - Being (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)

Table 6e contd: Which of these things, if any, would do the most to make your area a better place for you to live? (Tick all that apply)		
Don't know	4	4
None (the area is fine as it is)	10	8

Table 6f: Thinking about all of the things that have been covered in the survey, what if anything, would do most to make your life better? (Tick one box only)

box only)		
More organised activities and things to do More places where I can go to hang out with	9	13
my friends	32	30
More chance to have a say in how things		
are run at school or in the local area	5	5
More ways I can volunteer or help people	4	3
More or better advice about being healthy	3	3
More help to do better at school	4	5
More help to plan for my future More help to feel safer at school and in the	17	17
local area	5	7
None of these	6	6
Don't know	14	12