

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).

Summary :

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	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Are you:		
Male	55	50
Female	45	50
How old are you?		
Year 6 (Aged 10 & 11)	36	41
Year 8 (Aged 12 & 13)	36	32
Year 10 (Aged 14 & 15)	27	26
Which one of these best describes you?		
White	33	78
Mixed race	2	1
Asian or Asian British	51	11
Black or Black British	10	6
Chinese or other	2	2
Don't Know	2	2
Which of these are you, if any?		
Disabled	1	1
Deaf	0	1
Blind	0	0
None of these	99	99
Do you receive free school meals?		
Yes	22	15
No	74	81
Don't Know	3	4
Do you receive extra help at school with		
your learning or behaviour from someone		
other than your teacher?		
Yes	28	22
No	59	66
Don't Know	14	13

2: Being Healthy

Table 2a: How healthy are you? (Tick one box only)			
Very healthy	32	31	
Quite healthy	54	55	
Not very healthy	9	9	
Don't Know	6	5	

Table 2b: How many portions of fruit and vegetables do you eat in a day normally? (Tick one box only)

None	5	4
1-2	29	26
3-4	39	40
5 or more	20	23
Don't Know	7	6

2: Being Healthy (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 2c: Over the last 7 days, on 30 minutes doing sports or other		•
None	3	4
1-2 days	20	18
3-5 days	31	35
6 days or more	41	38
Don't Know	6	5
Table 2d : Have you ever smoked	a cigarette? (Tick one box	only)
	74	70

No	74	73
Yes	19	21
Prefer not to say	7	5
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ip? (Tick one box only)		· •

12	23
7	12
4	7
3	5
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Table 2g : Which of these drugs, if any, have you taken in the last four weeks? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)

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I have never taken any drugs	77	80		
I haven't taken any drugs in the last four	8	7		
weeks				
Cannabis (weed, grass, hash)	8	9		
Solvents (e.g. sniffing or breathing in glue,				
gas aerosols)	5	3		
Other drugs (e.g. Cocaine, LSD, Ecstasy,				
Heroin, speed, magic mushrooms)	4	3		
nerolin, speed, magic musinooms)				
Prefer not to say	9	6		
Table 2h : What do you think of the information and advice you get on the				
following things? (Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)				
Need more/better information and advice				
Eating healthy food	21	20		

Alcohol	35	27
Smoking	35	26
Drugs	37	31
Sex and relationships	40	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 only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)				

79	80	
65	73	
65	74	
63	69	
60	63	
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Table 2i : Which of the following things, if any, do you worry about the				
most? (Tick all that apply)				
Being bullied	25	25		
School work	38	35		
Exams	59	51		
Girlfriends/boyfriends/sex (year 8 & 10 only)	20	28		
Being healthy	30	32		
Money	27	29		
Friendships	41	39		

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My Future

Getting into trouble

My parents or family

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)

Nobody	14	14	
Brother(s) or sister(s)	45	37	
Other family members (that you don't live			
with)	29	29	
Friends	66	71	
Friend's parent	11	12	
Neighbour	7	6	
Teachers or adult at school	13	14	
Counsellor or social worker or other support			
workers	6	5	
Youth group leaders or sports coach	4	5	
A telephone helpline	7	5	
Someone else	9	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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Summary :

Most days

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	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 3a: How safe or unsafe from being hu	rt by other peop	le do you
eel? (Tick one box only)		
Very/Quite safe		
Around the local area	76	74
On public transport	70	68
Going to and from school	82	85
In school	86	85
At home	95	95
A bit/Very unsafe		
Around the local area	22	25
On public transport	26	27
Going to and from school	17	13
In school	14	14
At home	4	4
Don't know		
Around the local area	2	2
On public transport	5	5
Going to and from school	2	2
In school	1	1
At home	1	1
Γable 3b : How often, if at all, have you been our weeks? (Tick one box only)	builled in scho	of in the las
Never	72	70
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A couple of times in the last four weeks About once a week	4	4
	4	4
Two or three times a week	5	3

Table 3c : How well does your school deal with bullying?(Tick one box)		
Very/Quite well	58	57
Not very/Not at all well	30	30
Bullying not a problem in my school	3	4
Don't know	9	9

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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	e tick the box t	hat shows
how often it is true for you. (Tick one box onl	y)	
l enjoy school		
Always/ Most of the time	66	58
Sometimes	27	34
Never	7	9
I try my best at school		
Always/ Most of the time	85	81
Sometimes	12	17
Never	3	3
Table 4b: Which of the things below, if any, might help you do better in		
school? (Tick all that apply)		

school? (lick all that apply)		
More help from teachers	46	40
More fun/interesting lessons	76	79
A quieter/better behaved class or group	42	40
Smaller classes/groups	34	36
Fewer bullies	35	31
More help from family and friends	28	22
Somewhere quiet at home to do homework	27	23
None of these	8	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)

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	30	30
Don't like the ones near me	12	11
Don't know what there is	15	13
Lack of transport	15	14
Costs too much	19	23

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Table 4d contd: Why don't you go to these at the moment? (Tick all that apply)

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Don't like the people who go	10	10
Parent doesn't let me	13	11
Feel unsafe travelling home	12	9
I have a disability, sight or hearing problem	1	2
Something else	10	10
Nothing stops me	12	15
Don't know	18	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)

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

34	36	
41	42	
25	22	
		41 42

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	41	45
Need a lot more/better things to do	28	29

5: Making a positive contribution

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	34	24
Not much/Not at all	44	58

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23	18
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Making a positive contribution (continued)		
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ategory	All (%)	All (%)
able 5b : In the last year, have you ever given ea, such as about local problems or local act ese ways? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10	ivities and facili	
Filled in questionnaire	21	21
Member of youth parliament	5	4
Meetings outside school	6	6
None of these	77	74
ble 5c: Which of these have you done in the	last year? (Tick	all that app
Voted in school, class or year group election	20	40
at school	36	43
Been on a school council or parliament	15	14
None of the above	46	41
Don't know	15	14
ble 5d: And have you done any of the things ck all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY) Helped elderly/disabled person Helped care for someone who is sick Done something else to help family and friends	32 30 76	24 24 74
Done something else to help a neighbour or someone else in the local area	33	29
None of these	14	15
ble 5e : In the last year, have you done anyth arity or local group? (Tick one box only) Yes	ing to help raise	e money fo 65
No	32	35
ble 5f : How much do you feel children and y tened to in the running of your school?(Tick		
NLY)		
NLY) Great deal/fair amount	48	52
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	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
able 6a: What do you think of your loca Tick one box only)	l area as a place	to live in?
Very/fairly good	80	74
Neither good nor poor	13	16
Fairly/very poor	6	8
Don't know	2	2
Table 6b : What do you think of the public	c transport (such	as busos

very/faility good	09	57
Neither good nor poor	19	26
Fairly/very poor	11	16

Table 6c : What do you hope to do when you leave school? (Tick on	е
box only)	

Get a job at 16	14	16
Study and get a job at 18	14	17
Study and go to university	60	50
Something else	4	7
Don't know	9	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)

lt's good enough	41	36	
Need a little more or better information and			
advice	36	39	
Need a lot more or better information and			
advice	14	16	
Don't know what there is	9	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)	

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More or better shops	45	47		
Cleaner and less litter	51	48		
More or better sport clubs/centres	47	44		
Better public transport	27	26		
Safer roads	41	35		
More or better activities for children and				
young people	52	50		
Safer area or less crime	45	40		
More or better parks and green spaces	51	48		
Less young people hanging around	24	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 5 4 None (the area is fine as it is) 11 8

None (the area is fine as it is)	11	8
Table 6f: Thinking about all of the things that	t have been cove	ered in the

survey, what if anything, would do most to make your life better? (Tick one box only)

More organised activities and things to do More places where I can go to hang out with	16	13
my friends	27	30
More chance to have a say in how things		
are run at school or in the local area	3	5
More ways I can volunteer or help people	3	3
More or better advice about being healthy	3	3
More help to do better at school	7	5
More help to plan for my future	15	17
More help to feel safer at school and in the		
local area	7	7
None of these	6	6
Don't know	13	12