

# **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 :

# Bath and North East Somerset

1. About you		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Are you:		
Male	46	50
Female	54	50
How old are you?		
Year 6 (Aged 10 & 11)	45	41
Year 8 (Aged 12 & 13)	32	32
Year 10 (Aged 14 & 15)	23	26
Which one of these best describes you?		
White	91	78
Mixed race	1	1
Asian or Asian British	2	11
Black or Black British	2	6
Chinese or other	1	2
Don't Know	3	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	8	15
No	87	81
Don't Know	5	4
Do you receive extra help at school with		
your learning or behaviour from someone		
other than your teacher?	17	22
Yes	71	66
No		
Don't Know	12	13

### 2: Being Healthy

Table 2a: How healthy are you? (Tick one box only)		
Very healthy	33	31
Quite healthy	55	55
Not very healthy	8	9
Don't Know	4	5

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

None	2	4
1-2	20	26
3-4	43	40
5 or more	29	23
Don't Know	6	6

LA	NAT
All (%)	All (%)
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	ox only)
18	18
37	35
39	38
3	5
	many days have you e things? (Tick one b 3 18 37 39

Table 2d : Have you ever smoked a cigarette? (Tick one box only)			
No	69	73	
Yes	26	21	
Prefer not to say	5	5	
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sip? (Tick one box only)			

Table 2f : In the last four weeks, how many tin drunk? (Tick one box only)	nes, if any, hav	ve you got
None	25	23
Once/Twice	12	12
Three or more times	11	7
Prefer not to say/ Don't know/remember	4	5

have never taken any drugs	73	80
haven't taken any drugs in the last four veeks	10	7
Cannabis (weed, grass, hash) Solvents (e.g. sniffing or breathing in glue,	13	9
gas aerosols)	5	3
Other drugs (e.g. Cocaine, LSD, Ecstasy, Heroin, speed, magic mushrooms)	3	3
Prefer not to say	6	6

following things? (Tick one box only) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)		
Need more/better information and advice		
Eating healthy food	18	20
Alcohol	22	27
Smoking	23	26
Drugs	25	31
Sex and relationships	26	37

2: Being Healthy (continued)		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 2h contd. : What do you think on the following things? (Tick one b		
It's good enough		/
It's good enough Eating healthy food	82	, 80
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Eating healthy food		80
Alcohol	78	80 73

Table 2i : Which of the following things, if any,	do you worry	about the
most? (Tick all that apply)		
· · · · · ·	24	25
Being bullied		
School work	32	35
Exams	45	51
Girlfriends/boyfriends/sex (year 8 & 10 only)	28	28
Being healthy	30	32
Money	28	29
Friendships	39	39
My Future	26	30
Getting into trouble	22	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)	35	37	
Other family members (that you don't live			
with)	25	29	
Friends	71	71	
Friend's parent	10	12	
Neighbour	6	6	
Teachers or adult at school	13	14	
Counsellor or social worker or other support			
workers	5	5	
Youth group leaders or sports coach	3	5	
A telephone helpline	3	5	
Someone else	7	8	
Don't know	9	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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	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 3a: How safe or unsafe from bei	ing hurt by other peop	le do you
feel? (Tick one box only)		
Very/Quite safe		
Around the local area	82	74
On public transport	72	68
Going to and from school	92	85
In school	88	85
At home	96	95
A bit/Very unsafe		
Around the local area	17	25
On public transport	22	27
Going to and from school	7	13
In school	11	14
At home	3	4
Don't know		
Around the local area	1	2
On public transport	6	5
Going to and from school	1	2
In school	1	1
At home	1	1

four weeks? (Tick one box only)		
Never	76	70
A couple of times in the last four weeks	15	17
About once a week	4	4

Two or three times a week	2	3
Most days	3	5
Table 3c : How well does your school deal w	with bullying?(Tic	k one box)
Very/Quite well	57	57
Not very/Not at all well	29	30
Bullying not a problem in my school	5	4
Don't know	9	9

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

	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 4a: For each of the things below	please tick the box t	hat shows
how often it is true for you. (Tick one b	oox only)	
I enjoy school		
Always/ Most of the time	58	58
Sometimes	34	34
Never	8	9
l try my best at school		
Always/ Most of the time	79	81
Sometimes	19	17
Never	2	3

school? (Tick all that apply)		
More help from teachers	38	40
More fun/interesting lessons	79	79
A quieter/better behaved class or group	33	40
Smaller classes/groups	39	36
Fewer bullies	25	31
More help from family and friends	21	22
Somewhere quiet at home to do homework	21	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	ne moment?(Tick all	that apply)
Don't have time	31	31
There aren't any near me	31	30
Don't like the ones near me	11	11
Don't know what there is	12	13
Lack of transport	15	14
Costs too much	24	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)

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Don't like the people who go	8	10
Parent doesn't let me	7	11
Feel unsafe travelling home	5	9
I have a disability, sight or hearing problem	1	2
Something else	10	10
Nothing stops me	16	15
Don't know	14	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)

39	36	
40	42	
21	22	
	40	40 42

# Table 4g : Overall, what do you think of the activities and things to do in

your area? (Tick one box only)		
Good enough	27	26
Need a little more/better things to do	42	45
Need a lot more/better things to do	30	29

### 5: Making a positive contribution

Table 5a: How much are children and you decisions about the local area?(Tick one	01 1	
Great deal/fair amount	22	24
Not much/Not at all	57	58
Don't know	21	18

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ble 5b : In the last year, have you ever given y		
a, such as about local problems or local acti se ways? (Tick all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10		ties in any
Filled in questionnaire	19	21
Member of youth parliament	3	4
Meetings outside school	3	6
None of these	78	74
ole 5c: Which of these have you done in the l	ast year? (Tick	all that app
Voted in school, class or year group election		
at school	47	43
Been on a school council or parliament	15	14
None of the above	37	41
Don't know	13	14
le 5d: And have you done any of the things	holow in the los	t four wool
ck all that apply) (YEAR 8 & 10 ONLY)	below in the las	stituti weer
Helped elderly/disabled person	25	24
Helped care for someone who is sick	22	24
Done something else to help family and		
friends	78	74
Done something else to help a neighbour or	31	20
someone else in the local area	31	29
None of these	14	15
None of these		
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6: Achieving Economic Well - Being		
	LA	NAT
Category	All (%)	All (%)
Table 6a: What do you think of your local	aroa as a placo (	to live in?

Table 6a: What do you think of your local area as a place to live in? (Tick one box only)

79	74
12	16
7	8
1	2

# Table 6b : What do you think of the public transport (such as buses, trains, trams, tube) in your area? (Tick one box only)

46	57
28	26
26	16

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

Get a job at 16	17	16
Study and get a job at 18	17	17
Study and go to university	44	50
Something else	10	7
Don't know	13	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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lt's good enough	35	36
Need a little more or better information and		
advice	42	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)	

More or better shops	50	47	
Cleaner and less litter	37	48	
More or better sport clubs/centres	44	44	
Better public transport	30	26	
Safer roads	31	35	
More or better activities for children and			
young people	49	50	
Safer area or less crime	28	40	
More or better parks and green spaces	47	48	
Less young people hanging around	21	26	
Something else	7	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 3 4 None (the area is fine as it is) 9 8 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	13	13
my friends More chance to have a say in how things	30	30
are run at school or in the local area	4	5
More ways I can volunteer or help people	2	3
More or better advice about being healthy	4	3
More help to do better at school	6	5
More help to plan for my future More help to feel safer at school and in the	18	17
local area	6	7
None of these	7	6
Don't know	11	12