

Norfolk Flourish Survey 2024 – Sample description overview: Infographic text description

Pupils

- 9,347 pupils from Year 4 to Year 13 are in the sample
- Just over half the sample is formed from pupils in Year 7 to Year 10
- Only pupils from schools that chose to take part are in the sample
- Pupils' responses are anonymous
- More sensitive questions, e.g. on alcohol and drugs, are only asked of older pupils
- Only the location of schools rather than pupils' homes are known

Schools

- 28 primary schools and 17 secondary schools/colleges took part
- 3 sampled schools are independent (private) schools
- On average almost 4 in 10 pupils at participating schools completed the survey
- Pupils at schools with the Ofsted rating Requires Improvement are under-represented in the sample
- No secondary schools/colleges with the Ofsted rating Requires Improvement are in the sample
- 1 in 8 Norfolk state secondary pupils are in schools rated as Requires Improvement
- Almost 6 in 10 Year 12/13 pupils in the sample come from a single college

Geography

- No secondary schools/colleges in the Borough of Great Yarmouth are in the sample
- Around 1 in 10 state secondary pupils in Norfolk are educated in the Borough of Great Yarmouth
- No state-funded secondary schools in Norwich covering Year 7 to Year 11 pupils took part
- King's Lynn and West Norfolk is over-represented among secondary/college pupils
- Norwich is over-represented among primary pupils
- Breckland is under-represented among primary pupils
- A break-out of results by district is therefore not possible

Pupil characteristics

- The age distribution of the sample is very different to the population of Norfolk pupils
- Hence comparisons between years and with SHEU data from other parts of the country are based on individual year groups
- The stated characteristics of sampled pupils rely on self-identification by pupils themselves, potentially explaining some of the difference to official statistics
- Pupils receiving free school meals are probably under-represented in the sample
- The sample appears to over-represent female pupils relative to males
- Almost 9 in 10 sampled pupils identify as White
- The ethnic make-up of the sample is broadly in line with the population of Norfolk pupils