

# The Children's People and Nature Survey for England

2024 Questionnaire - Waves 7 & 8



Quotas	
Region:	
Based on ONS Mid Year Popula sQ1=1,2,3 Mid: sQ1=4,5,6 South: sQ1=7,8,9	ation Estimates 2022 filtered on England aged 8 to 15North: 27.6% 30.9% 41.5%
Age	
Based on ONS Mid Year Population Estimates 2022 filtered on England aged 8 to 15	
8 to 11: Q1=8,9,10,11 12 to 15: Q1=12,13,14,15	50.1% 49.9%
<u>Ethnicity</u>	
Based on Labour Force Survey England July 22 to June 23, filtered to be England and children aged 8 to 15	
White: sQ8=1 BAME: sQ8=2 to 7	76.8% 23.2%

### SCREENING QUESTIONS ASKED OF PARENTS

#### [CS\_S\_Region] Where in the UK do you live?

Please select one answer only

- North East
- North West
- Yorkshire and the Humber
- East Midlands
- West Midlands
- East
- London
- South East
- South West
- Scotland (SCREEN OUT)
- Wales (SCREEN OUT)
- Northern Ireland (SCREEN OUT)

# [CS\_S\_Q1] Excluding yourself, please select the age brackets of the people who currently live in your household...

Please select all that apply

- Aged 0 to 7
- Aged 8 to 15 (SCREENOUT IF =0)
- Aged 16-24
- Aged 25+
- No one, I live alone (SCREEN OUT) (EXCLUSIVE)

# [CS\_S\_Q2] Excluding yourself, please type in how many people currently live in your household in the following age brackets...

Only pipe in answers selected at CS\_S\_Q1

Open text- range 1-10

- Aged 0 to 7
- Aged 8 to 15
- Aged 16-24
- Aged 25+

#### [CS\_S\_Q3] Which of the following best applies to you ...?

SPONTANEOUS - HIDE Don't know/Prefer not to say

#### Please select all that apply

- I have access to a private garden
- I have access to a shared garden
- I have access to a private outdoor space but not a garden (balcony, yard, patio area)
- I have access to an allotment at a council / community run site
- I don't have access to a garden or allotment (EXCLUSIVE)
- Don't know (EXCLUSIVE) [HIDE]
- Prefer not to say (EXCLUSIVE) [HIDE]

# [CS\_S\_Income] Which of the following best describes your total annual household income before tax?

Please select one answer only

- £0– £14,999
- £15,000-£19,999
- £20,000-£29,999
- £30,000-£39,999
- £40,000-£49,999
- £50,000-£59,999
- £60,000-£79,999
- £80,000-£99,999
- £100.000-£149.999
- £150.000 +
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

[CS\_S\_Child\_Consent] We have a survey about how children and teenagers spend time outdoors. For this we are looking to interview children aged 8 to 15.

#### This survey will be 5 to 10 minutes long.

We expect your child to participate on their own in this survey. Do you agree for your [child-CS\_S\_Q2=1/one of your children- CS\_S\_Q2=>1] aged 8 to 15 to participate in this survey?

Please select one answer only

- Yes, I agree
- No, I don't agree (SCREEN OUT)

#### [CS\_S\_Child\_Availability] Is your child available now to start this survey?

Please select one answer only

- Yes
- No (SCREEN OUT)

#### [CS\_S\_Age] How old is this child?

Please type in the age of the child who is going to take part in the survey

- Open text box (allow answers between 8-15)
- Don't know (SCREEN OUT)
- Prefer not to say (SCREEN OUT)

[CS\_S\_Ethnicity\_Consent] The next question of this survey asks about this child's ethnicity, which is considered to be sensitive data.

This information will be used by our client for data classification purposes only.

It will remain confidential in line with our privacy policy.

If answering this question makes you uncomfortable, please feel free to choose the answer "Prefer not to say" when asked.

#### Please confirm that you understand this question is optional.

Please select one answer only

- Yes, I understand
- No, I do not understand (SKIP TO CS\_S\_Disability\_Consent)

#### ASK IF CS\_S\_Ethnicity\_Consent = Yes, I understand

# [CS\_S\_Ethnicity] Which one of the following best describes this child's ethnic group or background?

Please select one answer only

#### WHITE

- English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British
- Irish
- Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- Any other White background (specify)

#### MIXED OR MULTIPLE ETHNIC GROUPS

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background (specify)

#### ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
  - Any other Asian background (specify)

#### BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH

- African
- Caribbean
- Any other Black/African/Caribbean background (specify)

#### OTHER ETHNIC GROUP

- Arab
- Any other ethnic group (specify)
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

[CS\_S\_Disability\_Consent] The next question of this survey asks about this child's physical and mental health, which is considered to be sensitive data.

This information will be used by our client for data classification purposes only.

It will remain confidential in line with our privacy policy.

If answering this question makes you uncomfortable, please feel free to choose the answer "Prefer not to say" when asked.

Please confirm that you understand this question is optional.

Please select one answer only

- Yes, I understand
- No, I do not understand (SKIP TO CS\_S\_Gender)

#### ASK IF CS\_S\_Disability\_Consent = Yes, I understand

[CS\_S\_Disability] Does your child have any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?

Please select one answer only

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know
- Prefer not to say

#### ASK IF CS\_S\_Disability = Yes

[CS\_S\_Disability\_Impact] Does your child's condition or illness\do any of your child's conditions or illnesses reduce their ability to carry-out day-to-day activities?

Please select one answer only

- No
- Yes, a little
- Yes, a lot
- Don't Know
- Prefer not to say

#### [CS\_S\_Gender] Is this child \_\_ ?

Please select one answer only

- Male
- Female
- Other
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

#### [CS\_S\_Postcode\_consent]

Our client Natural England would like to analyze the results of this survey using geographical areas.

For this purpose, Natural England would like to collect your postcode. Your data will be processed and kept securely in accordance with the Natural England

Privacy Policy [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/natural-england-privacy-notices/social-research-privacy-notice].

All information you provide is only used for research purposes related to this project, will be held in strict confidence and will not be shared in any public domain.

Do you agree to share your postcode with Natural England for that purpose?

- Yes, I agree
- No, I do not agree (SKIP TO 'Please now hand over to your child...')

#### [CS\_S\_Postcode]

Please enter your postcode: Open text box (allow answers between 7-10 characters)

#### ASK ALL IN TERM WAVE, SINGLE CODE

# [CS\_S\_SchoolTrip] Thinking about the past school year, how often has your child visited natural places with their school?

For example, trips to parks, woods and forests or the beach

Please select one answer only

- At least once a week or more
- Once a month
- Every term
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know

#### ASK ALL IN TERM WAVE, SINGLE CODE

#### [CS\_S\_SchoolFee] What type of school does your child attend?

Please select one answer only

- A State Run School
- An Academy or Free School
- A Faith School
- A Fee Paying/Independent School
- A Special School
- Other
- Prefer not to say

#### SHOW IF CS\_S\_Child\_Availability = Yes

Please now hand over to your child.

If your child asks for help, for example to read something out or explain something, that is fine. Thank you for taking part.

#### QUESTIONS ASKED OF CHILDREN

These questions are being asked for Natural England, an organisation which looks after nature and wildlife in England and this will take around 5 to 10 minutes to complete. Your answers will help us understand how children and teenagers spend time outdoors.

Your answers will be kept private. Verian's privacy policy can be found here <u>https://www.veriangroup.com/uk-surveys</u>

This survey is interested in what you think and feel, it is not a test and there are no right or wrong answers. You do not have to take part if you do not want to, and you can stop the survey at any time by closing the window browser.

Please click the (>) button to confirm you are content to take part and to start the survey.

#### [CS\_Q1A] How old are you?

#### Please type your age

- Open text box (allow answers between 8-15)
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

#### ASK IF CS\_Q1A <> Don't know or Prefer not to say

# **[CS\_Q1B]** You mentioned you are [AGE GIVEN AT PREVIOUS QUESTION TO INSERT HERE DYNAMICALLY] years old. Can you please confirm that this is correct?

- Yes, I confirm
- No, I would like to change my age (ALLOW 1 CHANGE THEN SCREEN OUT)

#### [CS\_Wellbeing\_happy] How happy were you feeling yesterday?

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE



Please answer on a scale where 0 is not at all happy and 10 is completely happy

Please select one answer only

- 0 Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 - 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 Completely
- Prefer not to say

#### [CS\_Wellbeing\_anxious] How anxious were you feeling yesterday?

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE



Please answer on a scale where 0 is not at all anxious and 10 is completely anxious *Please select one answer only* 

- 0 Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 - 5
- 6
- 7

- 8
- 9
- 10 Completely
- Prefer not to say

### [CS\_Wellbeing\_lonely] How often do you feel lonely?



Please select one answer only

- Often / always
- Some of the time
- Occasionally
- Hardly ever
- Never
- Prefer not to say
- Don't know

#### [CS\_Q3] Have you spent time in any of these places in the last week?

### TILED RESPONSE LIST SPONTANEOUS – HIDE Don't know/Prefer not to say

You can include visits of any length of time (including short trips to the park, dog walking etc). Please do not include any trips made abroad.

Please choose one or more options

#### **RANDOMISE LIST**

- Park / playing field / playground
- Grassy areas in the streets near me (e.g., by the roadside, a green or pathway)
- Garden (mine or someone else's)
- - Grassy areas you pay to go to (e.g., gardens of a big house, the zoo, or city farm)
- Beach or seaside
  - **A**
- Woods / forest
  - Fields / farmland / countryside
    - Rivers / lakes / canals
    - .
    - Hills/ mountains/ moorland
    - No visits in the last week

Don't know (EXCLUSIVE) HIDE

N Prefer not to say (EXCLUSIVE) HIDE

Do

Somewhere else outside...(please write in below) (open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)

#### ASK IF HOLIDAY WAVE AND BEACH OR SEASIDE NOT CHOSEN AT CS\_Q3

#### [CS\_Q3\_B] When was the last time you visited the beach or seaside?

#### By visit we mean spending time at the beach or seaside.

You can include visits of any length of time (including short trips to the park, dog walking etc). Please do not include any trips made abroad.

Please select one answer only

- In the last month (that is since [DATE-1 month])
- Longer than a month ago but in the last year
- More than a year ago
- I have never visited the beach or seaside
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

#### ASK IF HOLIDAY WAVE AND RIVERS / LAKES / CANALS NOT CHOSEN AT CS\_Q3

#### [CS\_Q3\_C] When was the last time you visited a river, lake or canal?

#### By visit we mean you spent time by a river, lake or canal.

You can include visits of any length of time (including short trips to the park, dog walking etc). Please do not include any trips made abroad.

Please select one answer only

- In the last month (that is since [DATE-1 month])
- Longer than a month ago but in the last year
- More than a year ago
- I have never visited a river/lake/canal
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

# [CS\_Q4] Which of these places can you walk to easily from your home (either by yourself or with someone else)?

#### TILED RESPONSE LIST

Please choose one or more options RANDOMISE LIST



Park / playing field / playground



Grassy areas in the streets near me (e.g., by the roadside, a green or pathway)

Garden (mine or someone else's)



### [CS\_Q13] Thinking about the natural outdoor spaces near you. How much do you agree or disagree that...

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE

#### A) There are lots of places for animals and birds to make their homes

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

- 0 Disagree a lot
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 5
- 6
- 7 8
- 9
- 10 Agree a lot Prefer not to say
- Don't know

#### B) There are good spaces for playing

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

- 0 Disagree a lot
- 1
- 2
- 3 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 Agree a lot
- Prefer not to say
- Don't know

### C) They are clean and well looked after

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".



- 0 Disagree a lot
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 Agree a lot \_
- Prefer not to say \_
- Don't know

### D) I feel welcome there

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".



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- 0 Disagree a lot
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 Agree a lot Prefer not to say \_
- Don't know

### E) They are easy to get to by walking

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

- 0 Disagree a lot
- 1 2
- \_

- 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7
- 8
- 0
- 10 Agree a lot
- Prefer not to say
- Don't know

CS\_Q5 intro\_screen



We would now like you to think about what you have done at school in the last week. Please answer the next questions thinking when you were

# at school.

[CS\_Q5] TO ONLY BE ASKED IN TERM-TIME SURVEYS [CS Q5].



A) Thinking about the last week at school, how often have you spent time outside?



Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say
- B) Thinking about the last week <u>at school</u>, how often have you had activities or lessons outside that were not PE?

Do not count:

- PE lessons

- breaks and lunch times
- Before and after school



Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know

Prefer not to say



Thinking about the last week <u>at school</u>, how often have you looked at, listened to or engaged with nature?

Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

#### [CS\_QX] TO ONLY BE ASKED IN TERM-TIME SURVEYS

[CS\_QX\_1] Which of these are at your school? MULTI CODE – HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select all that apply

Playground Trees or plants Shady area Fields Benches or picnic tables Water (e.g. ponds) Play area (e.g. swings) Outdoor classroom Outdoor gym Food growing area (e.g. vegetable patches, greenhouse) Another natural space None of these – EXCLUSIVE Don't know – EXCLUSIVE, HIDE Prefer not to say – EXCLUSIVE, HIDE

#### IF CS\_QX\_1 =/= None of these

[CS\_QX\_3\_A] Where did you spend most of your time in nature in the last week?



1) Mostly while I was at school 2) Equal time while I was at school, and not at school

3) Mostly when I was not at school

#### IF CS\_QX\_1 =/= None of these

[CS\_QX\_3\_B] Has the amount of nature around your school changed in the last year? SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE, NON RESPONSE BELOW SLIDER

> Yes, there is less nature No, there is the same amount Yes, there is more nature

I have moved school in the last year so can't answer

Prefer not to say Don't know

#### IF CS\_QX\_3\_B = Yes

[CS\_QX\_3\_C] Has the [increase / decrease] in nature around your school changed how much you enjoy school?

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE, NON RESPONSE BELOW SLIDER

Yes, I enjoy school less No, I enjoy school the same amount Yes, I enjoy school more

Prefer not to say Don't know

#### IF CS\_QX\_1 =/= None of these

[CS\_QX\_4] Thinking about the outdoor spaces <u>at your school</u>, how much do you agree or disagree that...

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE

They are good places for spending time with friends
0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

0 – Disagree a lot 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 – Agree a lot Prefer not to say Don't know

### They are good places for learning

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

0 – Disagree a lot 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 – Agree a lot Prefer not to say Don't know

# At your school there are lots of places for animals and birds to make their homes

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

0 – Disagree a lot 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 – Agree a lot Prefer not to say Don't know

Nature makes the school grounds more interesting

0 is you "disagree a lot" and 10 is you "agree a lot".

0 – Disagree a lot 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 – Agree a lot Prefer not to say Don't know

#### CS\_Q6\_intro

{IF TERM WAVE: Thank you for saying what you have done at school in the past week}

We would now like you to think about what you have done when you were not at school in the past week. This includes before or after school and at the weekend. If it is the school holidays, this would be most of the time.

Please answer the next few questions thinking about when you were

# not at school.

[CS\_Q6].

A) Now thinking about when you were <u>not at school</u> in the last week, how often have you spent any time in your own garden (if you have one)? This includes any garden that you share with your neighbours



Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- I don't have a garden
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say
- B) Now thinking about when you were <u>not at school</u> in the last week, how often have you spent time outside in places that are not your garden?



Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say
- C) Now thinking about when you were <u>not at school</u> in the last week, how often have you looked at, listened to, or engaged with nature?



Please select one answer only

- Every day
- Most days
- Once or twice
- Never
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

#### **ASK IF HOLIDAY WAVE**

[CS\_QY\_2] How do you spend your time outdoors when you are <u>not at school</u>?

#### MULTI CODE – HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select all that apply

- Play sports
- Run around
- Play with pets
- Spend time with friends
- Spend time with family
- Explore and experience new things
- Be around nature and wildlife
- Enjoy the sights, sounds, smells, or fresh air
- In another way

- None of these EXCLUSIVE
- Don't know EXCLUSIVE, HIDE
- Prefer not to say EXCLUSIVE, HIDE

#### ASK IF HOLIDAY WAVE

#### [CS\_QY\_4] How do you see or learn about nature when you are not at school?

#### MULTI CODE – HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select all that apply

- I read about or see nature in books
- I watch TV programmes about nature
- I see nature on social media or YouTube
- I do creative activities such as art or photography
- Speaking to friends and family
- Through clubs or other outdoor activities
- Exploring or spending time in nature
- Other
- None of these EXCLUSIVE
- Don't know EXCLUSIVE, HIDE
- Prefer not to say EXCLUSIVE, HIDE

#### [CS\_Q14] What do you most like about spending time outside?



Please complete the sentence below.

- I like spending time outside because...(open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- I don't like spending time outside (EXCLUSIVE)
- Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)
- Prefer not to say (EXCLUSIVE)

#### [CS\_Q15] What things have stopped you from spending more time outside in the last week?



Complete the sentences below that are relevant to you. You don't have to complete them all.

- I didn't want to spend more time outside because...(open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- I wasn't able to spend more time outside because...(open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- Another reason why I didn't spend more time outside was...(open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- Nothing stops me from spending more time outside (EXCLUSIVE)
- Don't know (EXCLUSIVE)
- Prefer not to say (EXCLUSIVE)

#### [CS\_Q20] What would encourage you to go out into natural spaces more?

Please put them in order from 1 as the most important to 7 as the least important. You can select the options or drag them into the box on the right.



We would like to know what you think about the environment and looking after it

## [CS\_Q9] How important is looking after the environment to you?

#### SLIDER RESPONSE SCALE

Please answer below where 1 is not at all important and 5 is very important



Please select one answer only

- 1 Not at all important
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5 Very important
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

### [CS\_Q10] Which of the following things do you do to look after the environment? TILED RESPONSE LIST SPONTANEOUS – HIDE None of the above/ Don't Know/Prefer not to say

There are lots of options but they may not all apply to you or all make sense. Only pick the ones you understand and do yourself to look after the environment.



### Please choose one or more options **RANDOMISE LIST**



Try and change what our leaders are doing (e.g. sign petitions, demonstrate, or write

#### to them)

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Raise awareness by posting/sharing information online

None of the above (EXCLUSIVE) HIDE

Don't know (EXCLUSIVE) HIDE

r<sup>rh</sup>/ <sup>)</sup> Prefer not to say (EXCLUSIVE) HIDE

Something else...(please write in below) (open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)

# [CS\_Q12\_c] How much do you agree or disagree with the following: I would like to do more to look after the environment

#### SPONTANEOUS - HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select one answer only

- Completely agree
- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Completely disagree
- Don't know HIDE
- Prefer not to say HIDE

[CS\_Q12\_b] How much do you agree or disagree with the following: I think adults are doing enough to look after the environment

#### SPONTANEOUS - HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select one answer only

- Completely agree
- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Completely disagree
- Don't know HIDE
- Prefer not to say HIDE

# [CS\_Q12\_e] How much do you agree or disagree with the following: I know what I can do to look after the environment

#### SPONTANEOUS - HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select one answer only

- Completely agree
- Strongly agree
- Agree

- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Completely disagree
- Don't know HIDE
- Prefer not to say HIDE

#### **ASK HOLIDAY WAVE**

#### [CS\_QY\_5] Which of the following do you think are reasons to look after nature?

Please select all that apply

- It helps stop climate change
- It makes nature better to be in
- It is good for people's health
- It helps save wildlife
- It helps save insects
- Another reason not mentioned above
- None of the above EXCLUSIVE
- Don't know EXCLUSIVE, HIDE
- Prefer not to say EXCLUSIVE, HIDE

[CS\_Q12\_a] How much do you agree or disagree with the following: Being in nature makes me very happy

#### SPONTANEOUS - HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say



Please select one answer only

- Completely agree
- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Completely disagree
- Don't know HIDE
- Prefer not to say HIDE

# [CS\_Q11] How connected do you feel to nature? Please choose the picture that best describes your relationship to nature

#### SPONTANEOUS – HIDE Don't Know/Prefer not to say

Please select one answer only





- Don't know HIDE
- Prefer not to say HIDE

[CS\_Q16.5] Which of these things do you think it is ok for people to do when they visit outdoor spaces like parks, the coast, rivers, streams, canals, lakes and the countryside? TILED RESPONSE LIST

Please choose one or more options





**[CS\_Q18]** There is something called the Countryside Code, which tells us how we should behave when we visit outdoor spaces. Have you heard about this before?



Yes

- No
- Not sure

### ASK IF [CS\_Q18] = Yes [CS\_Q19] Where have you heard about the Countryside Code? SPONTANEOUS – HIDE Don't Know



Please choose one or more options

- From my friends
- From my family
- At school
- At a Girlguiding or Scouts group (e.g. Brownies, Guides, Cubs or Scouts)
- At Cadets (e.g. Army Cadet Force, Air Training Corps, Sea Cadets)
- Through taking part in a Duke of Edinburgh Award programme
- At another group or club I'm part of (please specify) (open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- On TV
- In a newspaper or magazine
- On social media
- On a website
- On signs or posters
- Shaun the Sheep Campaign
- From somewhere else (please specify) (open text box- allow answers between 0-400 characters)
- Don't know -EXCLUSIVE HIDE

This is the end of the survey. Thank you very much for completing it.

If you wish to find out more about Natural England please visit this website.

To find out more about the Countryside Code, click here.