

**HBSC Ireland 2002: Data on Community Involvement and Perceptions  
from HBSC Ireland 2002.**

**A short report to the National Children's Office.**

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The following tables present data from the Irish HBSC study 2002. Full details of the methods employed can be found in (Currie *et al.*, 2004; Kelleher *et al.*, 2003; Currie *et al.*, 2002). These data are presented separately by gender (male, female) and age group (10-11 years old, 12-14 years old, 15-17 years old) and social class (social classes 1 & 2, social classes 3 & 4, social classes 5 & 6). Children have been classified by social class according to their father's occupation, as reported by the children.

**How many days each week are you involved in any kind of club or organisation (e.g. youth club, swimming/athletics club, choir, dance group etc.)?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Every day of the week	8.2	4.9
5 or 6 days of the week	8.9	8.5
3 or 4 days of the week	23.3	20.7
Once or twice a week	31.0	34.3
Less than once a week	7.2	10.0
Not at all	21.3	21.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3375</i>	<i>4591</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Every day of the week	8.2	7.4	4.0
5 or 6 days of the week	11.1	9.8	6.1
3 or 4 days of the week	25.0	22.3	19.9
Once or twice a week	36.8	33.3	30.6
Less than once a week	6.3	8.7	10.2
Not at all	12.6	18.5	29.1
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>3705</i>	<i>3842</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>1&amp;2</b>	<b>3&amp;4</b>	<b>5&amp;6</b>
Every day of the week	6.9	5.9	6.0
5 or 6 days of the week	10.6	9.1	7.1
3 or 4 days of the week	24.0	21.9	21.1
Once or twice a week	34.1	31.8	32.7
Less than once a week	8.2	9.3	9.7
Not at all	16.2	22.0	23.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2481</i>	<i>2853</i>	<i>1133</i>

**How much say do you have when you and your parents are deciding how you should spend your free time outside school?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
I usually decide how I spend my free time outside school	59.8	53.2
My parents and I decide equally what we do	27.6	33.1
My parents and I decide, but I usually do what my parents want me to do	8.2	9.4
My parents usually decide	4.5	4.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3308</i>	<i>4525</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
I usually decide how I spend my free time outside school	42.4	53.2	65.3
My parents and I decide equally what we do	40.3	33.4	23.6
My parents and I decide, but I usually do what my parents want me to do	10.7	9.4	7.4
My parents usually decide	6.6	4.1	3.7
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1239</i>	<i>3625</i>	<i>2813</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
I usually decide how I spend my free time outside school	51.5	56.5	56.7
My parents and I decide equally what we do	35.2	30.0	29.3
My parents and I decide, but I usually do what my parents want me to do	9.3	9.1	8.5
My parents usually decide	4.0	4.3	5.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2439</i>	<i>2813</i>	<i>1115</i>

## How do you and your friends decide what to do together?

### Percentages by Gender

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
I usually decide what we will do	7.8	3.2
My friends and I decide equally what we do	78.7	85.1
My friends and I decide, but I usually do what my friends suggest	9.6	8.8
One of my friends usually decides	3.9	2.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3293</i>	<i>4514</i>

### Percentages by Age

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
I usually decide what we will do	5.2	5.4	4.8
My friends and I decide equally what we do	80.5	82.0	84.1
My friends and I decide, but I usually do what my friends suggest	8.6	9.3	9.2
One of my friends usually decides	5.6	3.4	1.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1227</i>	<i>3621</i>	<i>2803</i>

### Percentages by Social Class

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
I usually decide what we will do	3.7	5.2	5.1
My friends and I decide equally what we do	83.5	83.6	82.2
My friends and I decide, but I usually do what my friends suggest	9.7	8.4	8.9
One of my friends usually decides	3.1	2.8	3.8
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2431</i>	<i>2795</i>	<i>1113</i>

**Generally speaking, I feel safe in the area where I live ...**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Always	56.2	50.4
Most of the time	30.6	37.4
Sometimes	9.9	10.4
Rarely or never	3.4	1.8
<i>Valid n</i>	3357	4567

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Always	59.2	52.8	50.2
Most of the time	28.2	34.8	36.9
Sometimes	10.4	9.9	10.3
Rarely or never	2.2	2.5	2.5
<i>Valid n</i>	1252	3681	2831

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Always	54.7	52.8	52.3
Most of the time	36.4	34.9	33.7
Sometimes	7.5	10.3	11.2
Rarely or never	1.4	2.0	2.7
<i>Valid n</i>	2467	2836	1129

**Do you think that the area in which you live is a good place to live?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Yes, it's really good	42.7	40.9
Yes, it's good	28.2	32.0
It's ok	22.2	22.3
It's not very good	3.9	3.0
No, it's not at all good	3.1	1.7
<i>Valid n</i>	3353	4572

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Yes, it's really good	55.0	43.8	32.7
Yes, it's good	26.2	30.0	32.8
It's ok	15.4	20.9	27.6
It's not very good	2.1	3.0	4.3
No, it's not at all good	1.4	2.3	2.7
<i>Valid n</i>	1257	3681	2826

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Yes, it's really good	45.9	40.2	40.9
Yes, it's good	32.6	30.6	28.4
It's ok	17.6	24.5	23.3
It's not very good	2.7	3.1	4.3
No, it's not at all good	1.3	1.6	3.1
<i>Valid n</i>	2466	2834	1130

**People say hello and often stop to talk to each other in the street**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% % Girls</b>
Strongly agree	30.1	31.9
Agree	46.4	47.3
Neither agree nor disagree	14.3	13.2
Disagree	5.6	5.7
Strongly disagree	3.5	1.8
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3317</i>	<i>4540</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Strongly agree	35.2	32.9	27.1
Agree	46.5	45.1	49.6
Neither agree nor disagree	12.3	14.0	13.9
Disagree	4.0	5.2	7.0
Strongly disagree	2.0	2.8	2.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1247</i>	<i>3642</i>	<i>2815</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Strongly agree	30.6	31.3	33.8
Agree	47.5	47.1	46.4
Neither agree nor disagree	14.0	14.2	13.0
Disagree	5.9	5.0	4.6
Strongly disagree	2.0	2.3	2.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2446</i>	<i>2818</i>	<i>1119</i>

**It is safe for children to play outside during the day**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% % Girls</b>
Strongly agree	37.7	35.2
Agree	46.8	46.6
Neither agree nor disagree	8.6	11.8
Disagree	4.8	4.9
Strongly disagree	2.1	1.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3309</i>	<i>4543</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Strongly agree	45.9	37.9	29.7
Agree	39.4	45.2	52.1
Neither agree nor disagree	9.4	10.5	11.0
Disagree	3.6	4.6	5.6
Strongly disagree	1.8	1.9	1.6
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1247</i>	<i>3640</i>	<i>2811</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Strongly agree	38.6	35.3	37.0
Agree	46.4	47.9	44.7
Neither agree nor disagree	9.1	10.3	11.5
Disagree	4.6	4.8	5.0
Strongly disagree	1.3	1.7	1.8
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2450</i>	<i>2816</i>	<i>1115</i>

**There are good places to spend your free time (e.g. leisure centre, parks, shops)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Strongly agree	18.5	14.5
Agree	29.3	26.4
Neither agree nor disagree	18.1	19.7
Disagree	20.0	25.4
Strongly disagree	14.1	13.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3303</i>	<i>4524</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Strongly agree	25.8	18.3	9.3
Agree	33.8	29.2	23.3
Neither agree nor disagree	18.9	19.3	18.4
Disagree	13.3	20.1	31.1
Strongly disagree	8.2	13.1	17.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1239</i>	<i>3633</i>	<i>2805</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Strongly agree	15.0	16.2	17.1
Agree	28.0	28.2	26.9
Neither agree nor disagree	20.1	19.4	17.7
Disagree	24.0	22.7	24.9
Strongly disagree	12.8	13.5	13.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2442</i>	<i>2808</i>	<i>1110</i>



## I could ask for help or a favour from neighbours

### Percentages by Gender

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Strongly agree	27.9	30.5
Agree	44.8	45.4
Neither agree nor disagree	15.6	15.2
Disagree	6.1	6.4
Strongly disagree	5.6	2.4
<i>Valid n</i>	3289	4522

### Percentages by Age

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Strongly agree	36.3	30.9	24.5
Agree	42.3	43.7	48.3
Neither agree nor disagree	14.0	15.3	16.1
Disagree	4.4	6.3	7.2
Strongly disagree	3.1	3.8	3.9
<i>Valid n</i>	1244	3616	2801

### Percentages by Social Class

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Strongly agree	29.6	30.5	30.3
Agree	45.5	45.1	46.0
Neither agree nor disagree	15.6	15.4	14.1
Disagree	6.8	5.6	6.1
Strongly disagree	2.6	3.3	3.5
<i>Valid n</i>	2444	2805	1102

**Most people around here would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Strongly agree	7.3	4.9
Agree	11.9	8.7
Neither agree nor disagree	20.7	22.2
Disagree	30.9	35.9
Strongly disagree	29.2	28.4
<i>Valid n</i>	3283	4497

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Strongly agree	5.5	6.7	4.9
Agree	11.1	10.3	9.2
Neither agree nor disagree	20.4	20.5	23.1
Disagree	28.3	32.9	37.6
Strongly disagree	34.7	29.6	25.0
<i>Valid n</i>	1227	3608	2795

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Strongly agree	4.2	5.3	7.2
Agree	7.3	10.3	11.8
Neither agree nor disagree	20.3	22.3	21.6
Disagree	37.7	33.1	32.4
Strongly disagree	30.6	29.1	27.0
<i>Valid n</i>	2433	2798	1101

## How well off is the area in which you live?

### Percentages by Gender

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Not at all well off	5.2	2.7
Not so well off	5.7	4.3
<b>AverAge</b>	43.5	48.8
Quite well off	33.4	34.6
Very well off	12.3	9.6
<i>Valid n</i>	3295	4508

### Percentages by Age

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Not at all well off	7.0	3.9	2.0
Not so well off	5.1	4.7	4.8
<b>AverAge</b>	40.7	43.3	53.3
Quite well off	29.5	35.8	34.1
Very well off	17.6	12.3	5.9
<i>Valid n</i>	1224	3630	2800

### Percentages by Social Class

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Not at all well off	1.6	4.9	5.1
Not so well off	3.5	4.9	5.1
<b>AverAge</b>	41.4	48.8	49.7
Quite well off	41.6	32.0	31.1
Very well off	11.9	10.6	8.9
<i>Valid n</i>	2347	2793	1109

**In the area where you live are there ... groups of young people who cause trouble**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Lots	14.7	10.6
Some	45.8	47.5
None	39.5	41.9
<i>Valid n</i>	3273	4501

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Lots	10.2	11.3	14.5
Some	40.4	46.2	50.6
None	49.4	42.5	34.9
<i>Valid n</i>	1230	3602	2792

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Lots	8.5	11.8	13.3
Some	47.8	47.1	46.3
None	43.8	41.0	40.4
<i>Valid n</i>	2433	2789	1096

**In the area where you live are there ... litter, broken glass or rubbish lying around**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Lots	13.2	9.3
Some	45.2	47.7
None	41.7	43.0
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3215</i>	<i>4451</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Lots	9.1	10.8	12.0
Some	43.8	46.4	48.5
None	47.1	42.8	39.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1214</i>	<i>3545</i>	<i>2758</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Lots	8.4	10.3	12.1
Some	46.6	46.5	47.5
None	45.0	43.2	40.4
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2416</i>	<i>2746</i>	<i>1083</i>

**In the area where you live are there ... run-down houses or buildings**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Lots	4.4	2.2
Some	23.5	21.4
None	72.0	76.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3195</i>	<i>4427</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Lots	2.0	3.2	3.7
Some	14.4	21.5	26.7
None	83.7	75.2	69.6
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1205</i>	<i>3514</i>	<i>2757</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Lots	2.6	2.5	4.2
Some	20.7	22.5	23.2
None	76.8	75.1	72.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2404</i>	<i>2728</i>	<i>1071</i>

**About how many hours a day do you usually watch television (including videos) in your free time? (weekdays)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	4.4	3.5
About half an hour	8.4	11.2
About 1 hour a day	18.4	23.3
About 2 hours a day	27.3	27.6
About 3 hours a day	19.7	19.0
About 4 hours a day	10.8	8.2
About 5 hours a day	5.0	4.2
About 6 hours a day	2.2	1.1
About 7 hours or more daily	3.8	2.0
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3569</i>	<i>4775</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	3.2	3.7	4.1
About half an hour	11.8	9.5	9.9
About 1 hour a day	22.5	21.1	21.2
About 2 hours a day	29.2	26.8	27.5
About 3 hours a day	17.4	19.3	20.1
About 4 hours a day	8.4	10.1	8.7
About 5 hours a day	3.9	4.7	4.5
About 6 hours a day	1.2	1.8	1.4
About 7 hours or more daily	2.3	3.0	2.7
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1293</i>	<i>3896</i>	<i>2968</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	4.7	3.4	2.7
About half an hour	12.1	9.0	9.0
About 1 hour a day	24.7	20.1	19.1
About 2 hours a day	28.3	28.2	27.7
About 3 hours a day	17.8	20.4	21.0
About 4 hours a day	6.5	10.3	10.6
About 5 hours a day	3.2	4.5	5.8
About 6 hours a day	1.2	1.5	1.6
About 7 hours or more daily	1.5	2.7	2.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2574</i>	<i>2995</i>	<i>1174</i>

**About how many hours a day do you usually watch television (including videos) in your free time? (weekends)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	3.2	2.7
About half an hour	6.3	7.4
About 1 hour a day	11.5	13.6
About 2 hours a day	17.9	20.0
About 3 hours a day	19.9	20.4
About 4 hours a day	15.6	15.8
About 5 hours a day	10.2	9.1
About 6 hours a day	5.9	5.4
About 7 hours or more daily	9.5	5.6
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3475</i>	<i>4691</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	2.3	2.8	3.1
About half an hour	11.0	6.9	5.2
About 1 hour a day	16.8	12.2	11.7
About 2 hours a day	20.9	18.9	18.7
About 3 hours a day	21.7	20.4	19.3
About 4 hours a day	13.0	15.3	17.6
About 5 hours a day	6.7	10.1	10.0
About 6 hours a day	2.9	5.3	7.1
About 7 hours or more daily	4.7	8.0	7.2
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1244</i>	<i>3801</i>	<i>2942</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	1.9	2.9	3.0
About half an hour	6.4	7.0	7.9
About 1 hour a day	13.2	12.5	13.1
About 2 hours a day	21.9	18.9	17.1
About 3 hours a day	22.8	20.1	18.3
About 4 hours a day	16.8	15.3	14.9
About 5 hours a day	8.8	9.9	10.7
About 6 hours a day	4.1	6.1	7.2
About 7 hours or more daily	4.1	7.4	7.8
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2535</i>	<i>2932</i>	<i>1141</i>



**About how many hours a day do you usually spend doing school homework out of school hours? (weekdays)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	9.5	5.6
About half an hour	23.4	18.3
About 1 hour a day	33.8	29.4
About 2 hours a day	20.9	27.1
About 3 hours a day	7.9	13.3
About 4 hours a day	2.9	4.3
About 5 hours a day	0.5	1.1
About 6 hours a day	0.2	0.4
About 7 hours or more daily	0.9	0.6
<i>Valid n</i>	3586	4786

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	2.3	4.1	13.5
About half an hour	32.8	19.5	16.6
About 1 hour a day	45.3	34.7	20.9
About 2 hours a day	13.9	28.1	24.1
About 3 hours a day	3.7	9.6	16.2
About 4 hours a day	1.2	2.3	6.3
About 5 hours a day	0.6	0.5	1.2
About 6 hours a day	0.1	0.3	0.3
About 7 hours or more daily	0.1	0.8	0.8
<i>Valid n</i>	1298	3908	2978

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	5.0	7.0	8.0
About half an hour	18.5	20.9	21.7
About 1 hour a day	28.9	33.0	32.2
About 2 hours a day	27.1	23.7	23.1
About 3 hours a day	14.0	10.4	10.2
About 4 hours a day	5.0	3.2	2.4
About 5 hours a day	0.9	0.9	0.8
About 6 hours a day	0.2	0.2	0.7
About 7 hours or more daily	0.5	0.7	1.0
<i>Valid n</i>	2580	3001	1182

**About how many hours a day do you usually spend doing school homework out of school hours? (weekends)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	38.0	31.0
About half an hour	19.3	15.6
About 1 hour a day	17.5	17.3
About 2 hours a day	11.7	14.7
About 3 hours a day	5.8	9.8
About 4 hours a day	2.9	5.0
About 5 hours a day	1.0	2.8
About 6 hours a day	0.4	1.2
About 7 hours or more daily	3.3	2.7
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3354</i>	<i>4578</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	70.0	30.0	25.0
About half an hour	14.9	18.9	16.0
About 1 hour a day	8.7	20.8	16.4
About 2 hours a day	3.2	15.1	15.4
About 3 hours a day	0.6	7.5	11.8
About 4 hours a day	0.1	3.0	7.0
About 5 hours a day	0.1	0.9	4.1
About 6 hours a day	0.2	0.4	1.6
About 7 hours or more daily	2.3	3.3	2.5
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1108</i>	<i>3708</i>	<i>2948</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	28.6	35.1	34.3
About half an hour	16.9	17.4	18.6
About 1 hour a day	18.0	17.4	18.2
About 2 hours a day	16.3	12.7	10.9
About 3 hours a day	9.1	7.8	7.8
About 4 hours a day	5.4	3.9	3.6
About 5 hours a day	2.5	2.1	2.1
About 6 hours a day	1.1	0.9	0.4
About 7 hours or more daily	2.1	2.8	4.0
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2490</i>	<i>2827</i>	<i>1121</i>

**About how many hours a day do you usually spend on the phone, texting or e-mailing your friends? (telephone)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	43.3	26.2
About half an hour	44.3	49.5
About 1 hour a day	7.7	16.0
About 2 hours a day	2.0	5.3
About 3 hours a day	1.2	1.3
About 4 hours a day	0.4	0.5
More than 4 hours a day	1.2	1.1
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3409</i>	<i>4643</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	47.3	33.9	26.6
About half an hour	44.9	47.4	48.4
About 1 hour a day	5.3	12.0	16.2
About 2 hours a day	1.2	3.7	5.6
About 3 hours a day	0.4	1.3	1.6
About 4 hours a day	0.1	0.5	0.5
More than 4 hours a day	0.9	1.3	1.1
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1257</i>	<i>3730</i>	<i>2891</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	31.7	32.7	36.8
About half an hour	49.3	48.1	43.2
About 1 hour a day	12.9	12.5	12.5
About 2 hours a day	3.9	3.8	3.9
About 3 hours a day	1.0	1.3	1.6
About 4 hours a day	0.2	0.6	0.4
More than 4 hours a day	0.8	1.1	1.6
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2511</i>	<i>2884</i>	<i>1128</i>

**About how many hours a day do you usually spend on the phone, texting or e-mailing your friends? (texting)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	35.9	22.2
About half an hour	34.2	33.7
About 1 hour a day	13.8	18.3
About 2 hours a day	7.6	10.3
About 3 hours a day	2.7	5.1
About 4 hours a day	1.4	2.1
More than 4 hours a day	4.4	8.3
<i>Valid n</i>	3587	4593

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	57.1	29.1	14.2
About half an hour	28.4	35.4	34.8
About 1 hour a day	8.7	16.6	19.3
About 2 hours a day	2.8	8.7	12.3
About 3 hours a day	1.0	3.5	6.2
About 4 hours a day	0.3	1.5	2.9
More than 4 hours a day	1.6	5.3	10.4
<i>Valid n</i>	1215	3701	2897

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	28.6	27.2	28.5
About half an hour	37.0	33.4	31.9
About 1 hour a day	16.3	17.1	16.4
About 2 hours a day	9.3	9.2	9.0
About 3 hours a day	4.1	3.9	4.5
About 4 hours a day	1.5	1.9	2.1
More than 5 hours a day	5.0	7.3	7.6
<i>Valid n</i>	2497	2850	1133

**About how many hours a day do you usually spend on the phone, texting or e-mailing your friends? (e-mailing)**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
None at all	83.2	80.0
About half an hour	12.0	15.1
About 1 hour a day	2.8	3.3
About 2 hours a day	0.4	1.0
About 3 hours a day	0.4	0.3
About 4 hours a day	0.2	0.0
More than 4 hours a day	1.0	0.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3124</i>	<i>4276</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
None at all	87.8	81.4	78.5
About half an hour	8.6	13.8	16.1
About 1 hour a day	2.5	2.9	3.5
About 2 hours a day	0.4	0.8	0.8
About 3 hours a day	0.0	0.5	0.3
About 4 hours a day	0.3	0.1	0.1
More than 4 hours a day	0.4	0.6	0.7
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1139</i>	<i>3425</i>	<i>2676</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
None at all	78.1	82.8	84.5
About half an hour	16.8	12.8	10.9
About 1 hour a day	3.5	2.8	2.7
About 2 hours a day	0.8	0.9	0.6
About 3 hours a day	0.3	0.4	0.3
About 4 hours a day	0.0	0.1	0.2
More than 4 hours a day	0.5	0.3	0.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2356</i>	<i>2650</i>	<i>1029</i>

**Outside of school hours: How often do you usually exercise in your free time so much that you get out of breath or sweat?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
Every day	33.3	16.9
4 to 6 times a week	26.0	21.0
2 to 3 times a week	23.1	29.7
Once a week	9.5	18.6
Once a month	1.9	4.5
Less than once a month	2.5	4.4
Never	3.8	4.9
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3560</i>	<i>4753</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
Every day	32.9	26.9	16.1
4 to 6 times a week	25.7	24.6	20.0
2 to 3 times a week	22.7	26.4	29.4
Once a week	11.2	13.2	18.2
Once a month	1.5	2.6	5.2
Less than once a month	1.5	2.7	5.6
Never	4.5	3.6	5.4
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1290</i>	<i>3880</i>	<i>2964</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
Every day	31.7	25.0	23.3
4 to 6 times a week	25.3	23.2	23.7
2 to 3 times a week	28.3	26.5	27.0
Once a week	14.3	14.0	15.8
Once a month	3.7	3.2	2.6
Less than once a month	3.5	3.6	3.2
Never	3.2	4.6	4.4
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2570</i>	<i>2980</i>	<i>1182</i>

**How many days a week to you usually spend time with friends right after school?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
0 days	10.5	13.5
1	10.1	14.7
2	14.9	17.4
3	16.3	18.1
4	10.4	9.0
5 days	37.8	27.3
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3441</i>	<i>4654</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
0 days	13.8	11.8	12.1
1	13.7	12.1	13.1
2	14.7	15.9	17.5
3	18.1	16.5	18.2
4	8.9	9.9	9.4
5 days	30.8	33.8	29.8
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1260</i>	<i>3769</i>	<i>2897</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
0 days	12.4	11.9	11.9
1	15.2	12.1	12.1
2	18.5	16.0	15.7
3	19.5	17.5	16.9
4	10.0	9.5	8.7
5 days	24.4	33.0	34.7
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2512</i>	<i>2903</i>	<i>1144</i>

**How many evenings a week to you usually spend out with your friends?**

**Percentages by Gender**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>% Boys</b>	<b>% Girls</b>
0	11.7	15.2
1	12.1	16.9
2	15.9	18.4
3	14.5	14.6
4	9.2	8.4
5	9.8	8.7
6	7.8	5.5
7	19.1	12.2
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>3436</i>	<i>4650</i>

**Percentages by Age**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>% 10-11 years</b>	<b>% 12-14 years</b>	<b>% 15-17 years</b>
0	18.4	14.0	11.3
1	14.6	14.0	16.1
2	15.0	16.0	20.0
3	11.6	14.4	16.1
4	8.8	8.7	8.5
5	9.5	8.9	9.3
6	6.4	7.4	5.1
7	15.6	16.5	13.4
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>1263</i>	<i>3759</i>	<i>2898</i>

**Percentages by Social Class**

<b>Social Class</b>	<b>% 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>% 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>% 5 &amp; 6</b>
0	14.6	13.2	13.0
1	18.3	14.1	12.8
2	20.1	16.5	16.9
3	16.1	14.0	14.4
4	9.0	8.9	9.2
5	8.0	9.6	10.2
6	6.0	7.3	6.3
7	7.9	16.5	17.1
<i>Valid n</i>	<i>2509</i>	<i>2907</i>	<i>1145</i>



Further information on the HBSC study can be found at <http://www.hbsc.org>.

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