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## Key Findings

### Housing

34% indicated they had moved in the last 12 months.

- RN respondents had moved less than the other Services.

Question introduced in 2011.

56% indicated they own their own home, of which 32% live in it.

- More RN respondents said they owned a home.
- The Army had the lowest percentages of people living in the home they owned and the highest percentage of people never having owned a home.
- Northern Ireland was the region with lowest percentages of people living in their own home apart from those living outside the UK.

Overall there had been a 1.5 percentage point reduction in those saying they did not currently own a home but had done so in the past.

There had also been a 5.8 percentage point reduction in RAF respondents saying they owned a home and were living in it.

Regional comparisons were not available due to different sampling methodology in 2011.

10% of those who owned their own home said they had bought it in the last 12 months.

- RN had lower percentages of respondents who had bought a home in the last 12 months.

Question introduced in 2011.

Of those 10%, 30% said they had used a scheme to buy their home. Schemes that were used included LSAP, Homebuy / AFHOS, Shared equity, Forces discount (particular to certain developers) and Right to Buy.

- The Army had higher percentages of respondents who had used a scheme to purchase a house.

Question introduced in 2011.

For those who didn't own a home, the most prevalent reason was they couldn't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment - 60%.

- Lower percentages of RN respondents said that the reason for not owning a home was because they wanted to be able to move where their spouse was posted, that they were not aware of available support to obtain accommodation, and that they would not be able to live in the home.
- In the Army, lower percentages said that living in Service accommodation was better suited to their family needs.
- Higher percentages of RAF respondents said they didn't want to buy where they were currently located and that they didn't want to own a home at this stage in their career.
- There were no observed regional differences.

Overall there had been a 3.3 percentage decrease in *other* reasons for not owning their own home.

As reasons for not owning a home, in RN there had been a 19.9 percentage increase for living in Service accommodation being better for their family's needs at present; a 11.2 percentage increase for wanting to be able to move where the spouse is posted; a 6.7 percentage increase for not being able to live in the home, and a 16.4 percentage increase for not wanting to buy a home where they were located at present.

In the Army there had been a 4.2 percentage decrease in not being able to live in the home as a reason for not owning their own home.

During the working week, most respondents lived in Service Family Accommodation - 61%.

- The highest percentage of SFA accommodation was found in the Army while the lowest was in RN.
- There were lower percentages in privately owned homes in Northern Ireland and outside the UK.

Overall there had been a small increase of 0.3 percentage points for those living with their family or relatives. This change can most likely be attributed to the Army, who had a 0.5 percentage point increase for those living with their family or relatives.

There had also been a 5.3 percentage decrease in private homeownership in RAF.

Higher percentages of respondents would prefer to live in their own private home than what was presently the case (55% versus 32%) while lower percentages of respondents would prefer to live in SFA than what was presently the case (40% versus 61%).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ More RN respondents preferred to live in privately owned homes while more Army families preferred to live in SFA.</li> <li>➤ These figures account only for RN and the Army comparisons as RAF data was not available.</li> </ul>	Question introduced in 2011.
For those living in Service provided accommodation and had their house fitted to accommodate a family member with special needs, 40% felt it was done to their satisfaction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A lower percentage of RAF respondents were satisfied with the work done on their house to accommodate a family member with special needs.</li> </ul>	Question introduced in 2011.
<b>Deployment</b>		
15% of the respondents had accompanied their spouse on overseas assignments in the last 12 months.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A higher percentage of Army respondents had accompanied their spouse overseas.</li> <li>➤ Regionally, a higher percentage of those living in Northern Ireland and outside the UK had followed their spouse on overseas assignments.</li> </ul>	There had been a 4.8 percentage reduction in RAF respondents saying they had not accompanied their spouse on an overseas assignment in the last 12 months. Simultaneously, there had been a 3.7 percentage point increase in RAF respondents not responding to the question.
For those who had accompanied their spouse overseas... <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. 61% had experienced difficulties obtaining paid employment;</li> <li>ii. 43% felt there had been difficulties with the information obtained before going overseas;</li> <li>iii. 35% had had difficulties maintaining a National Insurance contribution record.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ A lower percentage of Army respondents did not have difficulties with paid employment.</li> <li>➤ There were no observed regional differences.</li> </ul>	A 9.9 percentage increase was observed for those saying they had experienced a lot of difficulties in obtaining paid employment. Most of this was accounted for by the Army, who saw a 12.5 percentage increase for the same issue.

## Employment

The majority were in either full-time employment - 34% - or part-time employment - 24%.

- A higher percentage of Army respondents indicated they were homemakers while a lower percentage was in full-time employment.

Changes were only seen for RN respondents: there had been a 5.2 percentage point decrease in those saying they were homemakers or parents at home, a 2.0 percentage point decrease for those saying they were in part-time education and a 2.0 percentage point decrease for those saying they were in unpaid voluntary work.

4% of respondents had used a Government scheme to help find employment in the last 12 months.

The most common form for help was using a Job Centre or obtaining Job Seekers Allowance.

21% said using a scheme had helped them find employment while 69% said it did not help.

- A lower percentage of RAF respondents said they had *not* used a Government scheme.

Question reworded in 2011.

- There were no observed regional differences.

When asked about difficulties around finding employment...

- i. 11% had experienced difficulties due to a lack of qualifications;
- ii. 22% had experienced difficulties because of their employment history;
- iii. 19% had had difficulties because they were overseas with their spouse or civil partner;
- iv. 27% had experienced difficulties because their spouse often was away.

- A lower percentage of RN respondents had had difficulties with finding a job because of their employment history while a lower percentage of RAF respondents had had difficulties because their spouse was often away.

There had been an overall reduction in percentages indicating difficulties with finding employment but there was at the same time a reduction in percentages of those saying they had experienced no difficulties.

Changes in the data from 2010 may come from a large increase in those not responding to the questions on employment.

## Living Conditions

72% had not had any difficulty maintaining their status on the electoral voting register.

- RN had lower percentages indicating they had experienced problems while also having higher levels indicating they had not experienced problems.

Question introduced in 2011.

- The Army had the lowest percentage of respondents with no problems maintaining their voting status and the highest number of respondents who didn't know whether they had had difficulties or not.
- Lower percentages of respondents in Northern Ireland and those living outside the UK had not experienced difficulties in maintaining their voting status compared to the other regions.

75% of the respondents resided in England.

- RN had the highest percentage of respondents in England and the lowest percentage outside the UK.
- The Army had the lowest percentage of respondents in England and the highest percentage of respondents in Northern Ireland and outside the UK.

No comparable data is available. A different sampling methodology was used in 2011.

See 4.3 in the Methodology section for differences in sampling estimates for the Services.

74% said their spouse was located in England at the time of the survey.

- No differences are possible to extract for Services or regions.

Question introduced in 2011.

## Health and Dental Care

70% of those that had needed access to a dentist in the last 12 months had been able to get to one.

- Higher percentages of RN respondents had been able to access a dentist while lower percentages had not been looking for a dentist in the same period.
- There were no observed differences between regions.

Question introduced in 2011.

Of the 70%, 49% had used a paying NHS dentist, 27% had used a free NHS dentist and 18% had used fully private dental treatment.

- A lower percentage of Army respondents had found a solution via fully private dental treatment compared to the other Services.
  - For RAF respondents, there is some evidence of a higher percentage who had found other solutions.
  - A higher percentage of those based outside the UK indicated they had found other solutions to accessing a dentist.
- Question introduced in 2011.

37% of those that were undergoing a course of dental treatment while moving in the last 12 months had been able to continue the treatment without difficulties. However, an equal percentage had not being able to continue their treatment.

- There were no observed differences between the Services or regions.
- Question introduced in 2011.

For those that experienced difficulties accessing a dentist, the most prevalent difficulties were...

- i. Long waiting lists, 46%;
- ii. Lack of available places at dentist, 43%;
- iii. Distance to nearest dentist, 26%.

- Higher percentages of RAF respondents indicated long waiting lists being a problem while a higher percentage of RN respondents said a lack of available places had presented a problem when registering with a dentist.
  - A lower percentage of Army respondents said they had experienced problems with registering a child when none of the parents were registered with a dentist.
  - No differences were observed between regions.
- Question introduced in 2011.

25% indicated that they or members of their family had been on a waiting list for an operation or consultant's appointment in the last year.

- RAF had the highest percentage of respondents on a waiting list.
  - There no observed differences between regions.
- Question reworded in 2011.

34% of those that were on a waiting list for an operation or consultant's appointment said their waiting had increased as a result of moving home.

- There were no observed differences between the Services or regions.

Question reworded in 2011.

2% said they had been undergoing or on a waiting list to receive assisted conception treatment in the last 12 months. Of this, 51% had informed their Chain of Command or Assisting Officer prior to a move.

- There were no observed differences between the Services or regions.

Question reworded in 2011.

### **Childcare and Education**

20% to 35% said they had not had any problems with childcare facilities or schooling in the last 12 months. Proportionally, 7% to 12% indicated difficulties with aspects of childcare and education.

- Higher percentages of RN respondents indicated no problems or "not applicable" with any type of child education compared to the other Services.
- The Army had lower percentages of respondents that answered not applicable or indicated they didn't have difficulties with obtaining a place at the school of their choice, obtaining a place at the childcare facilities of their choice and getting adequate information about schools prior to a change in assignment or posting.
- There were no observed differences between regions.

Question reworded in 2011.

#### Locally offered childcare facilities:

- i. 45% said access to these facilities met their needs;
- ii. 45% said the quality of facilities met their needs;
- iii. 39% felt the cost of facilities met their needs;
- iv. 38% said the hours of care met their needs.

- Apart from access to facilities a higher percentage of RN respondents said they felt local childcare facilities met their needs.
- There were no observed regional differences.

No comparable data available.

The majority had not experienced difficulties with access to schooling due to the posting or accommodation notice.	➤ A lower percentage of RN respondents reported that the amount of notice for allocation of Service accommodation had created difficulties when changing school.	Question reworded in 2011.
11% of those with children who had moved in the last 12 months had experienced problems obtaining a place at a state school.	➤ There were no differences between Services or regions.	Question introduced in 2011.
1% or less reported problems with access to state boarding schools, private day schools or private boarding schools.	➤ There were no differences between Services or regions.	Question introduced in 2011.
The most prevalent problems encountered when placing children in a new school were insufficient places at the school of choice - 54% - and insufficient places at the local school - 35%.	<p>➤ A lower percentage of RN respondents indicated that they had insufficient transportation to the school while a higher percentage of Army respondents reported <i>other</i> problems related to placing children in a new school.</p> <p>➤ There were no observed regional differences.</p>	Question introduced in 2011.
For the 8% who indicated they had child (ren) with SEN, 43% said their support had continued without a time lag when moving, 10% said the support had not continued after the move.	<p>➤ There were no differences between Services or regions.</p>	<p>There had been a 12 percentage decrease for those saying they did not have children with SEN, with most contributed from a 16.8 decrease in the Army.</p> <p>The Army also had a 2.5 percentage decrease in those who said they did have child (ren) with SEN.</p>
25% of respondents with children would consider sending their children to a boarding school. 9% already sent their children to boarding school.	<p>➤ A higher percentage of RN respondents said they did not and would not consider sending their children to a boarding school - 50% and 41, respectively.</p> <p>➤ There were no observed regional differences.</p>	<p>While there has been an increase in responses to the question in 2011 due to response patterns there is no indication of direction of change.</p> <p>The Army was the sole contributor for the changes in numbers.</p>

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Single Service/Regional</b>	<b>2010 Comparison</b>
78% of those with children who considered sending their children to boarding school and who were eligible for the Continuity of Educational Allowance (CEA) would use the allowance, while 89% already used it.	➤ A higher percentage of RN respondents would use the CEA allowance to send their children to boarding school.	Question introduced in 2011.
9% had experienced difficulties with continuing courses that they or their family had started in a previous location due to the mobility of Service life.	➤ A lower percentage of RN respondents reported difficulties with courses due to the mobility of Service life. ➤ There were no observed differences between regions.	Question introduced in 2011.
12% said that the mobility of Service life had caused difficulties with accessing further or higher education in the last 12 months.	➤ A higher percentage of Army respondents and a lower percentage of RN respondents said they had experienced difficulties with further or higher education due to the mobility of Service life.	No comparable data available.

## Introduction

### 1. Purpose

1.1 The dual purpose of the tri-Service set of questions (FAMCAS) in the single Service (sS) Families Surveys is:

- a. To provide MOD personnel policy divisions with tri-Service data on the views of families the UK Armed Forces of issues affecting them including housing, health, benefits, and childcare and education.
- b. Provide empirical evidence of the views of Armed Forces families for the annual Armed Forces Covenant Report.

1.2 Data from the single Service Families Surveys not derived from the FAMCAS questions are not covered in the present report.

### 2. Background

2.1 Rebuilding the Military Covenant was made a clear priority in the Coalition's Programme for Government published after the election in May 2010. With the publication on 16 May 2011 of "The Armed Forces Covenant: Today and Tomorrow", a substantial body of measures has been put in place across Government to support the Covenant, in fields such as healthcare, housing and education.

2.2 The FAMCAS questions, embedded in the single Services Families Surveys, cover many of the same topics. They are therefore an important means to provide an understanding of the views of UK Armed Forces families on progress of the Armed Forces Covenant. They provide data to strengthen the evidence-base for Covenant initiatives, and help the Ministry of Defence in better understanding the views and needs of a vital and valued section of the Armed Forces Community.

2.3 This year is the second time the FAMCAS questions were included in the single Services Families Surveys. And it is the first year where a tri-Service comparison to the previous year has been possible. Importantly, the inclusion of these standard questions allows for comparisons across the single Services and regions, whereas up until 2010 such comparisons could not be made.

2.4 The single Services Families Surveys, where the FAMCAS questions are embedded, look at the effects of being a Service Family (use of facilities, valuing/belonging, finances), satisfaction with the support, welfare, deployment length, frequency and notice period, communication during absences, relocation, accommodation, impact of their own career, and retention. The Army survey also looks at the impact of deployment on SP behaviour in the family.

2.5 While the single Services run the Families Surveys, it is the role of the Deputy Chief of Defence Staff (Personnel and Training) – SP Research and Data Exploitation team to coordinate the tri-Service FAMCAS questions for inclusion in the Families Surveys.

## Methodology

### 3. Design

3.1 Tri-Service questions were developed by the FAMCAS Working Group (WG) over a period of 4 months in the autumn of 2010 to accompany the existing sS Families Surveys. Consultations were held with in-house stakeholders in DCDS Pers and Training and in the single Services to create a set of tri-Service questions. The final FAMCAS had 37 items and asked for information about accommodation, healthcare, childcare and education, and deployment (a full list of questions is found in Annex A).

3.2 For the first time the surveys were distributed at the same time across all three Services, between February and April 2011.

### 4. Sample

4.1 The three single Service questionnaires were completed by Service Personnel's spouses; the criteria for sample inclusion only included spouses of Service Personnel identified as married (categories Cat1, Cat1s, and Cat1c) on the Joint Personnel Administration (JPA) system. Table 1 gives the overview of distribution, responses, and response rates per Service.

4.2 Stratified sampling by station/location was used within each Service to include spouses from across the ranks. 28,747 questionnaires were sent by mail to Service Personnel, who were asked to pass these on to their spouses for completion. 6,813 questionnaires were returned, giving a response rate of 24%.

4.3 Note that the RAF sample was estimated from their spouse's stationed location while for RN and the Army the sample was estimated from actual location. There are large overlaps between actual and estimated locations hence the differences are unlikely to have detrimental impact on.

**Table 1: Overview of distribution numbers, responses and response rates**

Royal Navy & Royal Marines	8652	1725	20%
Army	12924	3602	28%
Royal Air Force	7171	1486	21%
<b>Total</b>	<b>28747</b>	<b>6813</b>	<b>24%</b>

4.4 Table 2 and Table 3 provide an overview of spouses' NATO rank and responses per region, respectively. The overall majority of respondents were spouses of OR-4, OR-6 or OR-7, while for Officers' spouses the largest number of responses came from OF-3 and OF-2 spouses. The majority of respondents were located in England while fewest were living in Northern Ireland.

**Table 2: Overview of Spouses' Rank per NATO ran**

OF-6 to OF-10	Commodore/Brigadier/Air Commodore and above	<1
OF-5	Captain/Colonel/Group Captain	3
OF-4	Commander/Lieutenant Colonel/Wing Commander	8
OF-3	Lieutenant Commander/Major/Squadron Leader	12
OF-2	Lieutenant/Captain/Flight Lieutenant	9
OF-1	Sub-Lieutenant/2nd Lieutenant/Flying Officer or Pilot Officer	<1
OR-9	Warrant Officer 1/Warrant Officer / Master Aircrew	4
OR-8	Warrant Officer 2	5
OR-7	Chief Petty Officer/Colour Sergeant/Staff Sergeant/Flight Sergeant or Chief Technician	12
OR-6	Petty Officer/Sergeant	15
OR-4	Leading Rate/Corporal	15
OR-3	Lance Corporal	5
OR-1 and OR-2	Able Rating/ Marine/ Private/ Junior Technician/Leading or Senior Aircraftman/ Junior/ Aircraftsman	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>

<1 = less than 1%.

**Table 3: Overview of responses per region**

England	3690	55
Northern Ireland	322	5
Scotland	939	14
Wales	224	3
Outside the UK	1478	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>6653</b>	<b>100</b>

## **5. Distribution**

5.1 Each Service used their own method of distribution for the survey: Royal Navy used Harris, a research organisation, to post questionnaires to Royal Navy and Royal Marine Service Personnel along with an accompanying letter which asked them to pass the survey onto their spouses. Details of how to complete the survey online were also included for those preferring to use this method. RAF mailed the questionnaires to the spouse via the serving person; the questionnaires were returned in the postage-paid envelopes. The Army distributed the FAMCAS questionnaire via the serving partner at their work address. Envelopes were addressed "C/O" to the serving partner and carried the spouse's name in bold noting that the contents were 'Private and Confidential'.

5.2 It is yet not possible to send surveys direct to Service Personnel spouses as MOD neither has the up front consent nor holds sufficient contact details for spouses to contact them directly for research.

## **6. Analysis**

6.1 SPSS Complex Samples were used to analyse the data as weights were applied to grouped ranks (ie Officers, Senior ranks and Junior ranks) per region per Service. Frequencies and crosstabs for Services and regions were performed as analysis.

## **7. Limitations**

7.1 The distribution is via Service Personnel which means that receipt of the survey is not guaranteed. Furthermore, there is no certainty that the person who completes the survey is the Service Personnel spouse.

7.2 Weights for Naval Service and RAF personnel were derived using population data (Service, rank and stationed location for personnel with Married Categories 1, 1s and 1c) as held by DASA for July 2010. The Army weights were derived using a JPA extract from November 2010. A comparison between the weighted responses and DASA population data for March 2011 (when the survey was in the field) indicates only minor differences for Naval Service and RAF (<=1% of each rank group). Larger differences are evident for the Army, for example Offices make up 19% of the population but only 15% of the weighted sample.

**Table 4: Grouped ranks as a percentage of Service (FAMCAS 2011 Estimates and March 2011 Actuals)**

	Overall (%)		Royal Navy (%)		Army (%)		Royal Air Force (%)	
	Actuals	Sample	Actuals	Sample	Actuals	Sample	Actuals	Sample
Officers	23.3	21.6	30.0	30.2	19.1	15.0	27.9	27.9
Senior ranks	37.7	39.5	44.7	45.5	35.2	37.0	38.8	38.1
Junior ranks	39.0	38.9	25.3	24.3	45.6	48.0	33.3	34.0
Total (%)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0

Actuals Source: DASA extract for March 2011 (Trained Regulars MarCats: 1, 1S, 1C)

Sample (Weighted): FamCAS 2011

**Table 5: Have you moved in the last 12 months? Single Service**

Single Service				
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	34	18**	39	38
No	66	82**	61	62
Total	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the  $p < 0.01$  level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the  $p < 0.05$  level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

**Table 6: Do you own your own home? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010
Yes, I am living in it	<b>32</b>	.6%	--	64**	1.1%	--	18**	.7%	--	37**	1.3%	- 5.8
Yes, but not living in it	<b>24</b>	.6%	--	14**	.8%	--	27	.8%	--	25	1.2%	--
No, but previously owned own home	<b>7</b>	.4%	- 1.5	7	.7%	--	7	.5%	--	8	.8%	--
No, I have never owned my own home	<b>36</b>	.6%	--	15**	.8%	--	48**	.9%	--	30**	1.2%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>6500</b>			##			##			##		

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 7: Do you own your own home? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes, I am living in it	32	37	19**	50	43	4**
Yes, but not living in it	24	21	30	17	20	39
No, but previously owned own home	7	7	9	6	7	8
No, I have never owned my own home	36	35	43	26	31	49
	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

**Table 8: If you own your own home, did you buy it in the last 12 months? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	10	9	7	7	7	13
No	90	91	93	93	93	87
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

**Table 9: If you own your own home AND bought it in the last 12 months, did you make use of a scheme to buy it? Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>			
		<b>England (%)</b>	<b>Northern Ireland (%)</b>	<b>Scotland (%)</b>	<b>Wales (%)</b>
Yes (please specify which scheme)	<b>30</b>	31	50	25	20
No, I didn't know that schemes were available	<b>20</b>	23	37	26	12
No, I didn't need to use a scheme	<b>33</b>	31	13	34	49
No, other reason	<b>17</b>	16		15	19
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

**Table 10: If you own your own home, did you buy it in the last 12 months? Single Service**

Single Service				
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>10</b>	7*	11	11
No	<b>90</b>	93*	89	89
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 11: If you own your own home AND bought it in the last 12 months, did you make use of a scheme to buy it? Single Service**

Single Service				
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes (please specify which scheme)	<b>30</b>	23	41*	21
No, I didn't know that schemes were available	<b>20</b>	12	16	30
No, I didn't need to use a scheme	<b>33</b>	45	22*	39
No, other reason	<b>17</b>	20	20	10
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

**Table 12: If you don't own your own home, why not? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment	<b>60</b>	63	47	59	63	48
I/we want to be able to move about when my spouse is posted	<b>28</b>	27	28	34	26	28
Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present	<b>25</b>	25	24	30	26	20
I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located	<b>23</b>	23	25	25	21	24
I/we were not aware of support available to buy accommodation	<b>20</b>	20	20	17	22	19
I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage	<b>13</b>	13	12	10	15	12
I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home	<b>13</b>	11	12	10	13	21
I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)	<b>11</b>	11	17	13	11	11
I am expecting my spouse to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home	<b>6</b>	5	8	5		9
Other	<b>3</b>	3	4	2	2	6

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 13: If you don't own your own home, why not? Single Services**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010	%	SE	Sig change 2010
I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment	60	1.1%	--	61	2.6%	--	60	1.4%	--	60	2.3%	--
I/we want to be able to move about when my spouse is posted	28	1.0%	--	21*	2.1%	+ 11.2	27	1.2%	--	32	2.2%	--
Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present	25	.9%	--	31	2.4%	+ 19.9	22**	1.1%	--	30	2.2%	--
I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located	23	.9%	--	23	2.2%	+ 16.4	19	1.1%	--	33**	2.2%	--
I/we were not aware of support available to buy accommodation	20	.9%	--	14*	1.8%	--	20	1.1%	--	22	2.0%	--
I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage	13	.8%		13	1.8%		13	1.0%		13	1.6%	
I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home	13	.7%	--	8**	1.3%	+ 6.7	13	.9%	- 4.2	15	1.7%	--
I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)	11	.7%	--	7	1.4%	--	10	.8%	--	16**	1.8%	--
I am expecting my spouse to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home	6	.5%		6	1.2%	--	6	.6%	--	7	1.2%	
Other	3	.4%	- 3.3	7	1.3%	--	4	.5%	--			- 9.1
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>2400</b>											

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Service.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Service.

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Comparable statistics for *difficulties with getting a mortgage* was unobtainable due to changes in the question presentation.

Filtered for those who don't own their own home.

 Indicates no comparison possible

**Table 14: What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
SFA	<b>61</b>	.6%	--	28**	1.1%	--	75**	.8%	--	58**	1.4%	--
Privately owned home	<b>32</b>	.6%	--	64**	1.1%	--	18**	.7%	--	37**	1.3%	- 5.3
SSFA	<b>3</b>	.2%	--	4	.4%	--	3	.3%	--	2	.4%	--
Privately rented	<b>2</b>	.2%	--	2	.3%	--	2	.3%	--	<1	.3%	--
SLA	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	--	<1	.2%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.3%	--
Housing Association	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.2%	--			--
Local Housing Authority	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--
With parents/relatives	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	+ 0.3	<1	.2%	--	<1	.2%	+ 0.5	<1	.1%	--
Other	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	--	<1	.2%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>6500</b>											

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Service.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Service.

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 15: What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>			
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)
SFA	<b>61</b>	57	79	46	45
Privately owned home	<b>32</b>	37	19**	50	43
SSFA	<b>3</b>	3	<1	1	3
Privately rented	<b>2</b>	2	1	1	3
SLA	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1	<1	<1
Housing Association	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1		<1	4
Local Housing Authority	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1			
With parents/relatives	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1		
Other	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1		<1	<1
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Service.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Service.

**Table 16: What type of accommodation would you prefer to live in during the working week? Single Service**

		<b>Single Service</b>	
	<b>Overall (%)</b>	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)
Privately owned home	<b>55</b>	84**	43**
Privately rented	<b>2</b>	<1**	2**
SSFA	<b>2</b>	2	2
SFA	<b>40</b>	12**	51**
SLA	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1
Housing Association	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1
Local Housing Authority	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1
With parents/relatives	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1
Other	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1	<1
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Service.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Service.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

Navy and Army Only. The question was omitted from the RAF 2011 survey.

**Table 17: If you live in Service provided accommodation and this needed to be adapted for a family member with special needs, was this work carried out? Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
To your satisfaction	<b>40</b>	49	47	13*
With some difficulties but still acceptable	<b>34</b>	30	36	36
With unacceptable difficulties	<b>27</b>	21	18	51
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

Filtered for Respondent is currently living in Service provided accommodation.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

**Table 18: If you live in Service provided accommodation and this needed to be adapted for a family member with special needs, was this work carried out? Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
To your satisfaction	<b>40</b>	41	19	56		34
With some difficulties but still acceptable	<b>34</b>	34	81	24	100	28
With unacceptable difficulties	<b>27</b>	25		20		39
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

Filtered for Respondent is currently living in Service provided accommodation.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

## Living Conditions

**Table 19: In the last 12 months, have you had difficulty maintaining your status on the electoral voting register? Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>11</b>	5**	13	11
No	<b>72</b>	91**	62**	78**
Don't know	<b>17</b>	4**	25**	11**
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

**Table 20: In the last 12 months, have you had difficulty maintaining your status on the electoral voting register? Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>11</b>	8	20	7	10	25
No	<b>72</b>	78	50**	84	82	37**
Don't know	<b>17</b>	13	29	9	8	38
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other regions.

**Table 21: What part of the UK (or country) do you currently live in? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
England	75	.2%	- 10.6	84**	.7%	- 5.2	68**	.4%	- 16.2	80	.0%	- 4.4
Northern Ireland	2	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--	3**	.1%	--	<1	.0%	--
Scotland	7	.1%	--	10	.6%	+ 3.0	3**	.2%	--	10	.0%	+ 2.4
Wales	2	.1%	- 0.9	1	.3%	--	2	.2%	--	2	.0%	--
Outside the UK	15	.1%	+ 10.8	5**	.3%	+ 1.8	24**	.3%	+ 18.8	7	.0%	+ 2.7
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	6500											

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other service in 2011 (Army & Navy only due to proxy being used for RAF).

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other service in 2011 (Army & Navy only due to proxy being used for RAF).

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 22: Your spouse/civil partner's rank (or equivalent if RN/Army/RAF). Single Service**

		Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
		Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change		
		% (n)	SE	2010	%% (n)	SE	2010	%% (n)	SE	2010	%% (n)	SE	2010
Officers	OF-6 to 10 - Commodore/Brigadier/Air Commodore and above	<b>0.5% (55)</b>	.1%	--	0.8% (17)	.2%	--	0.4% (35)	.1%	--	0.2% (3)	.1%	- 0.4
	OF-5 - Captain/Colonel/Group Captain	<b>1.3% (163)</b>	.1%	--	2.6% (52)	.3%	--	1.2% (100)	.1%	--	0.6% (11)	.2%	- 0.7
	<b>OF-4 - Commander/Lieutenant Colonel/Wing Commander</b>	<b>4.7% (506)</b>	.2%	--	7.9% (145)	.6%	--	3.6% (304)	.2%	--	4.3% (57)	.6%	--
	<b>OF-3 - Lieutenant Commander/Major/Squadron Leader</b>	<b>7.9% (813)</b>	.3%	- 1.0	11.9% (223)	.6%	--	6.0% (469)	.2%	- 1.6	8.6% (121)	.7%	--
	<b>OF-2 - Lieutenant/Captain/Flight Lieutenant</b>	<b>6.5% (621)</b>	.3%	- 1.4	6.9% (124)	.5%	- 1.8	3.7% (345)	.2%	- 2.8	11.3% (152)	.8%	--
	OF-1 - Sub-Lieutenant/2nd Lieutenant/Flying Officer or Pilot Officer	<b>0.8% (37)</b>	.1%	+ 0.4	0.0% (0)	--		0.1% (7)	.0%	- 0.2	2.9% (30)	.5%	+ 2.0
Other Ranks	OR-9 - Warrant Officer 1/Warrant Officer / Master Aircrew	<b>4.4% (265)</b>	.3%	--	6.9% (94)	.7%	--	3.6% (101)	.4%	--	4.2% (70)	.5%	- 1.7
	OR-8 - Warrant Officer 2	<b>4.7% (338)</b>	.3%	--	6.1% (105)	.6%	+ 6.1	6.6% (233)	.5%	--	0.0% (0)	--	
	<b>OR-7 - Chief Petty Officer/Colour Sergeant/Staff Sergeant/Flight Sergeant or Chief Technician</b>	<b>12.5% (754)</b>	.4%	--	19.0% (269)	.9%	--	9.1% (274)	.5%	--	14.0% (211)	.9%	+ 2.2
	<b>OR-6 - Petty Officer/Sergeant</b>	<b>17.7% (994)</b>	.4%	+ 2.1	13.7% (196)	.9%	- 4.1	17.7% (497)	.6%	+ 4.5	20.5% (301)	.9%	--
	<b>OR-4 - Leading Rate/Corporal</b>	<b>18.4% (1011)</b>	.5%	--	16.2% (255)	.6%	--	19.0% (467)	.7%	--	19.0% (289)	.8%	--
	OR-3 - Lance Corporal	<b>7.6% (338)</b>	.4%	- 1.3	0.5% (7)	.2%	- 6.9	14.4% (331)	.7%	--	0.0% (0)	--	
	<b>OR-2/1 - Able Rating/ Marine/ Private (Classes 1 to 4)/ Junior Tech/ Aircraftman/ Leading or Senior Aircraftman</b>	<b>13.1% (640)</b>	.4%	--	7.6% (118)	.6%	+ 4.0	14.6% (327)	.7%	--	14.3% (195)	.8%	--
Total unweighted count (n)		100.0% (6535)			100.0% (1605)			100.0% (3490)			100.0% (1440)		

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level. Actual response numbers are in brackets

Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 23: Where is your spouse/civil partner currently stationed (if onboard a ship or boat please indicate where their base port is)? Single Service**

		Single Service		
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
England	<b>74</b>	84	68	80
Northern Ireland	<b>2</b>	<1	3	<1
Scotland	<b>7</b>	11	3	10
Wales	<b>1</b>	<1	1	2
Outside the UK	<b>16</b>	5	25	7
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

## Health and Dental Care

**Table 24: If you/your family needed to access a dentist in the last 12 months, were you able to? Single Service**

		Single Service		
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>70</b>	81**	67	67
No	<b>10</b>	8	12	9
I/my family was not looking for a dentist in this period	<b>20</b>	12**	22	24
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 25: If you/your family needed to access a dentist in the last 12 months, were you able to? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>70</b>	68	71	73	69	76
No	<b>10</b>	10	10	10	20	8
I/my family was not looking for a dentist in this period	<b>20</b>	21	19	17	11	16
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 26: If yes, what solution did you achieve? Single Services**

	Single Service			
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Paying treatment provided by the NHS	49	54	46	50
Free treatment provided by the NHS	27	25	26	28
Fully private dental treatment	18	27*	12**	21*
Other	8	4**	8*	12*
Total	102	110	93	111

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

Totals do not sum to 100% due to instances of multiple solutions or no specified solutions.

**Table 27: If you moved in the last 12 months while undergoing a course of dental treatment, have you been able to continue the treatment in your new location? Single Service**

	Single Service			
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes, without difficulties	37	38	37	33
Yes, but with some difficulties	26	25	25	30
No	37	36	38	37
Total	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 28: If you moved in the last 12 months while undergoing a course of dental treatment, have you been able to continue the treatment in your new location? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes, without difficulties	<b>37</b>	36	30	28	18	44
Yes, but with some difficulties	<b>26</b>	24	22	38	48	28
No	<b>37</b>	39	47	34	34	28
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 29: In the last 12 months, if you were looking for a dentist but had difficulties accessing one, what sorts of obstacles did you encounter? Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Long waiting lists	<b>46</b>	47*	38*	65**
Lack of available places at dentist	<b>43</b>	67**	55**	
Distance to nearest dentist	<b>26</b>	25	24	32
Problems registering child (ren) as neither parents were registered with dentist	<b>14</b>	17	11*	19
None specified	<b>12</b>	7	14	11
Lack of adequate transportation to get to dentist	<b>10</b>	5*	9	13
Other	<b>7</b>	3*	6*	12*

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

Columns do not sum to 100% due to instances of multiple difficulties.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 30: In the last 12 month, if you were looking for a dentist but had difficulties accessing one, what sorts of obstacles did you encounter? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Long waiting lists	<b>46</b>	46	38	61	51	43
Lack of available places at dentist	<b>43</b>	45	61	28	41	33
Distance to nearest dentist	<b>26</b>	29	28	18	20	16
Problems registering child (ren) as neither parents were registered with dentist	<b>14</b>	15	19	20	14	5
None specified	<b>12</b>	12	7	8	16	14
Lack of adequate transportation to get to dentist	<b>10</b>	10	12	7	5	9
Other	<b>7</b>	5	6	8	7	19

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question introduced in 2011.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other regions.

Columns do not sum to 100% due to instances of multiple difficulties.

**Table 31: In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment? Single Service**

Single Service				
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>25</b>	26**	21**	32**
No	<b>75</b>	74**	79**	68**
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 32: In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment? Region**

Region						
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>25</b>	24	31	28	37	23
No	<b>75</b>	76	69	72	63	77
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 33: If yes, was your previous waiting time increased as a result of moving location?  
Single Service**

		Single Service		
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>34</b>	31	34	34
No	<b>38</b>	51	39	33
Don't know	<b>9</b>	3	10	10
Unspecified	<b>19</b>	15	16	23
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Previous question reworded in 2011.

Filtered for those indicating they had moved in the last 12 months and were on a waiting list.

**Table 34: If yes, was your previous waiting time increased as a result of moving location?  
Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>34</b>	37	36	35	40	22
No	<b>38</b>	37	43	43	43	39
Don't know	<b>9</b>	9	9	3	5	14
Unspecified	<b>19</b>	17	12	20	12	26
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Previous question reworded in 2011.

Filtered for those indicating they had moved in the last 12 months and were on a waiting list.

**Table 35: In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for or undergoing Assisted Conception (e.g. IVF) treatment? Single Service**

		Single Service		
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>2</b>	2	2	3
No or prefer not to say	<b>98</b>	98	98	97
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 36: In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for or undergoing Assisted Conception (e.g. IVF) treatment? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>2</b>	2	3	2	5	2
No or prefer not to say	<b>98</b>	98	97	98	95	98
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 37: In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for or undergoing Assisted Conception (e.g. IVF) treatment? Did your serving spouse or civil partner inform their Chain of Command or Assigning Officer about this prior to the move?**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>51</b>	74	54	29
No	<b>32</b>	14	25	57
Prefer not to say/ Don't know/ Unspecified	<b>17</b>	13	20	14
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the  $p < 0.01$  level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the  $p < 0.05$  level from the other Services.

Filtered for Those that have moved in the last 12 months.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

## Childcare and Education

**Table 38: In the last 12 months, have you experienced any difficulty with the following? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Obtaining a place at the school of your choice for your child (ren)	Yes, considerably	4	.3%		4	.5%		4	.5%		5	.7%
	Yes, some	5	.4%		6	.7%		4	.5%		6	.8%
	No	35	.7%	57**	1.4%		23**	.9%		41**	1.7%	
Obtaining a place at the childcare facilities of your choice for your child (ren)	Yes, considerably	3	.3%		2	.4%		3	.4%		5	.8%
	Yes, some	7	.4%		7	.7%		6	.5%		8	.9%
	No	28	.7%	51**	1.4%		17**	.8%		29**	1.6%	
Obtaining adequate information about schools for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting	Yes, considerably	4	.3%		3	.4%		4	.4%		5	.8%
	Yes, some	6	.4%		5	.6%		5	.5%		8	.9%
	No	27	.7%	42**	1.4%		21**	.9%		26**	1.5%	
Obtaining adequate information about childcare facilities for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting	Yes, considerably	4	.3%		2*	.4%		4	.4%		4	.8%
	Yes, some	6	.4%		4	.6%		5	.5%		8*	.9%
	No	25	.7%	39**	1.4%		21	.9%		22	1.5%	
Continuing your children's education without a gap when changing schools	Yes, considerably	3	.3%	--	1*	.4%	--	3	.4%	--	3	.7%
	Yes, some	4	.4%	--	3	.6%	--	5	.5%	--	5	.9%
	No	25	.7%	--	38**	1.4%	--	21	.9%	--	24	1.4%
A difference in syllabus content when changing schools	Yes, considerably	5	.3%	--	3	.3%	--	5	.4%	--	6	.6%
	Yes, some	7	.3%	--	5**	.5%	--	8	.5%	--	8	.7%
	No	20	.7%	--	33**	1.4%	--	15	.9%	--	18	1.5%
The standard of education in Service schools	Yes, considerably	3	.2%	--	2	.4%	--	3	.4%	--	2	.5%
	Yes, some	4	.3%	--	3	.4%	--	5	.5%	--	4	.6%
	No	20	.6%	--	32**	1.3%	--	17	.8%	--	17	1.3%
Other	Yes, considerably	2	.2%		<1*	.2%		2	.3%		2	.4%
	Yes, some	<1	.0%		<1	.1%						
	No	1	.1%		6	.7%						
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	5,100											

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**Table 3937: In the last 12 months, have you experienced any difficulty with the following? Region**

		<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
			England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Obtaining a place at the school of your choice for your child (ren)	Yes, considerably	4	5	5	3	3	3
	Yes, some	5	6	2	6	3	2
	No	35	34	30	42	40	36
Obtaining a place at the childcare facilities of your choice for your child (ren)	Yes, considerably	3	3	3	3	2	5
	Yes, some	7	6	8	10	7	6
	No	28	28	20	35	27	24
Obtaining adequate information about schools for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting	Yes, considerably	4	4	2	4	5	3
	Yes, some	6	5	5	6	7	8
	No	27	26	23	29	22	32
Obtaining adequate information about childcare facilities for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting	Yes, considerably	4	4	2	4	4	3
	Yes, some	6	6	5	7	5	7
	No	25	24	22	26	18	31
Continuing your children's education without a gap when changing schools	Yes, considerably	3	3	3	3	1	3
	Yes, some	4	4	3	3	5	7
	No	25	24	21	26	26	31
A difference in syllabus content when changing schools	Yes, considerably	5	4	4	6	9	6
	Yes, some	7	6	9	7	7	11
	No	20	19	15	19	16	23
The standard of education in Service schools	Yes, considerably	3	2	5	3	2	5
	Yes, some	4	3	2	2	4	10
	No	20	19	17	21	17	28
Other	Yes, considerably	2	1	1	<1	2	4
	Yes, some	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
	No	1	1		2	2	<1

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Questions about school and childcare facilities separated in 2011.

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Columns do not sum to 100% due to instances of multiple difficulties.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 40: If you moved in the last 12 months and your child (ren) had to change school, did the following create any difficulties? Single Service**

		Single Service			
		Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Amount of notice for posting to a new unit	Yes	<b>14</b>	8	15	15
	No	<b>29</b>	26	29	32
Amount of notice for allocation of Service accommodation	Yes	<b>18</b>	10**		20
	No	<b>23</b>	19	24	23

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 41: If you moved in the last 12 months and your child (ren) had to change school, did the following create any difficulties? Region**

		Region					
		Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Amount of notice for posting to a new unit	Yes	<b>14</b>	15	17	10	17	9
	No	<b>29</b>	27	21	28	34	40
Amount of notice for allocation of Service accommodation	Yes	<b>18</b>	20	19	13	17	14
	No	<b>23</b>	20	18	21	33	35

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 42: If you moved in the last 12 months, did your child encounter difficulties with obtaining a place at...? Single Service**

		Single Service			
		Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
A state school	Yes	11	10	10	13
	No	30	26	32	28
A state boarding school	Yes	<1		<1	
	No	4	7	4	3
A private day school	Yes	1	1	1	<1
	No	5	10	4	5
A private boarding school	Yes	<1	<1	<1	2
	No	6	10	5	4

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Filtered for Respondent has children and has moved in last 12 months. Figures should be read with caution as there were generally low responses to this question.

**Table 43: If you moved in the last 12 months, did your child encounter difficulties with obtaining a place at...? Region**

		Region					
		Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
A state school	Yes	11	14	7	12	9	2
	No	30	28	32	27	34	38
A state boarding school	Yes	<1	<1				
	No	4	3		5	1	7
A private day school	Yes	1	<1	4	2		1
	No	5	4		3	7	9
A private boarding school	Yes	<1	<1		<1		
	No	6	5	2	6	3	9

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Filtered for Respondent has children and has moved in last 12 months.

Figures should be read with caution as there were generally low responses to this question.

**Table 44: If you moved in the last 12 months and you experienced problems placing your child (ren) at the school of your choice, what difficulties did you encounter? Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Insufficient places at school of choice	<b>54</b>	30	63	51
Insufficient places at local school	<b>35</b>	20	36	41
School admission application period does not coincide with notification of assignment	<b>28</b>	15	26	36
Insufficient places at school (s) in catchment area	<b>26</b>	15	22	39
Unsuitable educational standard of local school	<b>18</b>	9	22	18
Local Authority was unsupportive	<b>16</b>	6	18	18
Insufficient transportation to school	<b>10</b>	1*	10	15
Distance to school	<b>10</b>	8	18	
Children could not attend same school	<b>10</b>	7	11	11
Special Educational Needs (SEN) related difficulties	<b>5</b>	8	4	4
Other	<b>4</b>		8*	

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services. Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 45: If you moved in the last 12 months and you experienced problems placing your child (ren) at the school of your choice, what difficulties did you encounter? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)	
Insufficient transportation to school	<b>10</b>	10	18	11	5	15
Distance to school	<b>10</b>	9	18	8	19	21
Insufficient places at school of choice	<b>54</b>	56	44	41	32	49
Insufficient places at local school	<b>35</b>	37	18	28	12	29
Insufficient places at school (s) in catchment area	<b>26</b>	25	48	31	9	34
Unsuitable educational standard of local school	<b>18</b>	19	31	16	5	18
Children could not attend same school	<b>10</b>	10		5	9	26
Special Educational Needs (SEN) related difficulties	<b>5</b>	5	11	6	7	4
School admission application period does not coincide with notification of assignment	<b>28</b>	30	18	16	9	14
Local Authority was unsupportive	<b>16</b>	17	18	14	18	6
Other	<b>4</b>	4				7

No comparable data from 2010 available. Question reworded in 2011.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions. Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 46: Do you have any children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)? (For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs) Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Yes	8	.4%	--	8	.8%	--	8	.6%	- 2.5	7	.9%	--
No	73	.7%	- 12.0	9	1.4%	- 9.4	74	1.0%	- 16.8	81	1.3%	--
Not applicable	19	.6%	+ 13.2	10	1.3%	+ 7.9	17	.8%	+ 19.3	12	1.1%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>6500</b>											

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

**Table 47: Do you have any children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)? (For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs) Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	8	8	8	8	10	6
No	73	73	73	72	73	77
Not applicable	19	19	19	20	18	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

**Table 48: If yes, and you have moved in the last 12 months, was their Special Educational Needs (SEN) support ...?(For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs) Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Continued without disruption	<b>43</b>	5.3%	--	56	11.8%	--	43	6.8%	--	38	10.7%	--
Continued after a time lag	<b>34</b>	5.0%	--	41	11.6%	--	40	6.8%	--	17	8.0%	--
Not continued	<b>10</b>	3.2%	--	3	3.2%	--	13	4.7%	--	7	5.5%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>100</b>											

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 49: If yes, and you have moved in the last 12 months, was their Special Educational Needs (SEN) support...?(For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs) Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Continued without disruption	<b>43</b>	43	26	24	35	52
Continued after a time lag	<b>34</b>	31	74	54	50	32
Not continued	<b>10</b>	8		16		16
<i>Total</i>	<b>100</b>	83	100	94	85	100

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children and who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 50: With regards to the use of boarding schools, please indicate whether... You would consider sending your child (ren) to boarding school. Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Yes	<b>25</b>	.7%	+ 2.7	25	1.3%	--	26	1.0%	+ 6.7	22	1.4%	--
No	<b>33</b>	.8%	+ 5.1	41**	1.4%	--	31	1.1%	+ 9.2	30	1.6%	--
Not applicable	<b>42</b>	.8%	+ 5.8	34**	1.4%	--	43*	1.1%	+ 8.6	48*	1.7%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>5100</b>											

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

**Table 51: With regards to the use of boarding schools, please indicate whether you would consider sending your child (ren) to boarding school. Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>25</b>	25	27	21	22	26
No	<b>33</b>	33	34	36	36	28
Not applicable	<b>42</b>	42	39	43	42	46
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

**Table 52: If you have children please indicate whether... You already send your child(ren) to boarding school \* Single Service**

	Single Service			
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>9</b>	9	9	10
No	<b>39</b>			
Not applicable	<b>52</b>	50**	38**3*	32**
Total	<b>100</b>	40 <sup>100</sup>		59 <sup>100</sup>

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from both the other services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from both the other services.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 53: If you have children please indicate whether... You already send your child(ren) to boarding school \* Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>9</b>	9	6	9	5	11
No	<b>39</b>	40	39	37	37	37
Not applicable	<b>52</b>	52	55	54	57	51
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 54: If you have children, please indicate whether...If you are eligible, you *already use* the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school.**  
**Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>89</b>	89	88	88
No	<b>5</b>	4	5	5
Unspecified	<b>7</b>	6	7	7
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from both the other services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from both the other services.

**Table 385: If you have children, please indicate whether... If you are eligible, you *already use* the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school.**  
**Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>89</b>	91	92	70	80	86
No	<b>5</b>	4	8	12		5
Unspecified	<b>7</b>	5		18	20	10
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from both the other services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from both the other services.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 56: If you have children, please indicate whether, If you are eligible, you *would use* the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school.**  
**Single Service**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>78</b>	84*	77	76
No	<b>5</b>	5	5	3
Unspecified	<b>17</b>	11*	17	22
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011

Filtered for those who indicated they have children and would consider sending children to boarding school.

**Table 57: If you have children, please indicate whether, If you are eligible, you *would use* the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school.**  
**Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>78</b>	78	70	78	78	81
No	<b>5</b>	5	6	3	2	3
Unspecified	<b>17</b>	17	24	19	20	16
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

Filtered for those who indicated they have children and would consider sending children to boarding school.

**Table 58: In the last 12 months, have you or anyone in your family experienced difficulties with the following due to the mobility of Service life? Single Services**

		<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Single Service</b>		
			Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
a) Accessing further or higher education	Yes	<b>12</b>	7**	15**	11**
	No	<b>37</b>	48**	34	35
	Not applicable	<b>46</b>	44	49**	42
b) Continuing courses that you/your family started in a previous location	Yes	<b>9</b>	4**	11	9
	No	<b>34</b>	42**	31	32
	Not applicable	<b>52</b>	51*	56*	46*

Filtered for those who moved in the last 12 months.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from both the other services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from both the other services.

**Table 59: In the last 12 months, have you or anyone in your family experienced difficulties with the following due to the mobility of Service life? Region**

		<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>			
			<b>England (%)</b>	<b>Northern Ireland (%)</b>	<b>Scotland (%)</b>	<b>Wales (%)</b>
a) Accessing further or higher education	Yes	<b>12</b>	11	12	8	13
	No	<b>37</b>	37	37	40	39
	Not applicable	<b>46</b>	46	49	46	43
b) Continuing courses that you/ your family started in a previous location	Yes	<b>9</b>	8	11	7	11
	No	<b>34</b>	34	33	35	32
	Not applicable	<b>52</b>	52	54	52	52

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

Filtered for those who moved in the last 12 months

**Table 60: Do the childcare facilities offered locally meet your needs in terms of...? Single Services**

		Single Service			
		Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Access to facilities (e.g. distance, transportation)	Yes, sufficiently	<b>27</b>	29	26	26
	Yes, to some extent	<b>18</b>	18	20	15
	No	<b>5</b>	4	7**	4
	None offered	<b>3</b>	3	4	2
	Not applicable	<b>40</b>	35	39	46**
Quality of facilities	Yes, sufficiently	<b>25</b>	29*	24	24
	Yes, to some extent	<b>20</b>	19	22	18
	No	<b>5</b>	3	7**	4
	None offered	<b>3</b>	2	4	1
	Not applicable	<b>40</b>	35*	40*	46*
Cost of facilities	Yes, sufficiently	<b>19</b>	22*	18	17
	Yes, to some extent	<b>20</b>	19	22	18
	No	<b>11</b>	9	12	10
	None offered	<b>3</b>	3	4	2
	Not applicable	<b>42</b>	36**	42*	47*
Hours of care (i.e. opening times)	Yes, sufficiently	<b>20</b>	25**	20	18
	Yes, to some extent	<b>18</b>	18	18	17
	No	<b>10</b>	8	12**	8
	None offered	<b>3</b>	2	3	2
	Not applicable	<b>42</b>	36**	42*	48*

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from both the other services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from both the other services.

**Table 61: Do the childcare facilities offered locally meet your needs in terms of...? Region**

		Region					
		Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Access to facilities (e.g. distance, transportation)	Yes, sufficiently	27	28	32	27	17	24
	Yes, to some extent	18	17	17	16	16	22
	No	5	5	5	5	6	9
	None offered	3	3	3	2	3	4
	Not applicable	40	41	40	42	54	35
Quality of facilities	Yes, sufficiently	25	26	30	26	18	20
	Yes, to some extent	20	19	18	17	14	26
	No	5	4	7	4	4	11
	None offered	3	3	2	2	3	3
	Not applicable	40	41	41	42	57	35
Cost of facilities	Yes, sufficiently	19	19	22	19	12	16
	Yes, to some extent	20	20	21	17	15	20
	No	11	9	11	10	8	17
	None offered	3	3	2	2	2	3
	Not applicable	42	42	42	43	60	38
Hours of care (i.e. opening times)	Yes, sufficiently	20	22	20	21	15	15
	Yes, to some extent	18	18	19	18	12	20
	No	10	9	15	7	8	19
	None offered	3	3	2	3	<1	3
	Not applicable	42	43	42	44	61	39

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

Filtered for respondents who said they have children.

## Deployment and Employment

**Table 62: In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse on overseas assignments? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Yes	15	.4%	--	6**	.4%	--	21**	.6%	--	9**	.6%	--
No	81	.5%	--	93**	.5%	--	79	.6%	--	79	1.1%	- 4.8
Unspecified	4	.3%	--	<1	.2%	+ 0.7	<1	.1%	- 1.1	12**	1.0%	+ 3.7
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>			<b>6500</b>									

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

Filtered for whose who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 63: In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse on overseas assignments? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	15	6	18**	4	6	64**
No	81	90	80**	92	93	33**
Unspecified	4	4	2	4	1	3
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

Filtered for whose who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 64: If yes, did you experience difficulty with any of the following? Single Services**

		Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
				Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			
		%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Obtaining paid employment	Yes, a lot	<b>42</b>	1.6%	+ 9.9	33	4.1%	--	43	1.9%	+ 12.5	42	3.7%	--
	Yes, some	<b>19</b>	1.3%	--	22	3.8%	--	17	1.5%	- 8.9	26	3.7%	--
	No	<b>20</b>	1.3%	--	14	2.8%	--	22	1.7%	--	14	2.7%	--
Information obtained before going overseas	Yes, a lot	<b>21</b>	.8%		24	2.7%		22	1.0%		19	1.8%	
	Yes, some	<b>22</b>	1.4%		24	3.7%		21	1.7%		22	3.3%	
	No	<b>46</b>	1.3%		37	3.6%		47	1.6%		44	3.4%	
Maintaining a National Insurance contribution record	Yes, a lot	<b>24</b>	1.4%	--	17	3.2%	--	24	1.7%	--	27	3.8%	--
	Yes, some	<b>11</b>	1.0%	--	18	3.1%	--	10	1.2%	--	15	2.7%	--
	No	<b>31</b>	1.5%	--	25	3.6%	--	32	1.8%	--	34	3.8%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>		1300											

-- = The difference with 2010 is not significant at the p < 0.01 level.

Indicates no comparison possible.

Filtered for those who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 65: If yes, did you experience difficulty with any of the following? Region**

		Region					
		Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Obtaining paid employment	Yes, a lot	42	41	42	31	50	43
	Yes, some	19	23	20	8	8	18
	No	20	21	27	33	11	20
Information obtained before going overseas (please specify)	Yes, a lot	21	25	18	22	18	20
	Yes, some	22	18	22	9	18	24
	No	46	47	49	46	58	45
Maintaining a National Insurance contribution record	Yes, a lot	24	30	16	27	38	22
Yes, some	Yes, some	11	12	2	23	8	11
	No	31	30	45	13	24	32

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

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\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other regions.

Filtered for those who moved in the last 12 months.

**Table 66: If you accompanied your spouse on an overseas assignment and you maintained a National Insurance contribution record, was this because you applied for National Insurance credits? Single Service**

	Single Service			
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	8	15	6*	13
No	28	22	29	26
Not applicable	52	55	54	42
Total	88	93	89	82

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparison data available. Questions introduced in 2011.

Filtered for those who had accompanied their spouse on overseas assignments.

**Table 67: If you accompanied your spouse on an overseas assignment and you maintained a National Insurance contribution record, was this because you applied for National Insurance credits? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	8	7	2	9	15	9
No	28	28	43	32	40	27
Not applicable	52	50	45	49	34	53
Total	88	85	90	90	88	89

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

**Table 68: What is your current employment status? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE		%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
In full-time employment	<b>34</b>	.7%	--	38	1.2%	--	30	.9%	--	37	1.4%	--
In part-time employment	<b>24</b>	.6%	--	28*	1.1%	--	22	.8%	--	23	1.2%	--
Self employed	<b>4</b>	.3%	--	6	.6%	--	3*	.3%	--	5	.6%	--
Homemaker/Parent at home	<b>22</b>	.6%	--	19	1.0%	- 5.2	25**	.9%	--	19	1.1%	--
Not employed - seeking employment	<b>7</b>	.4%	--	4**	.5%	--	8	.5%	--	8	.8%	--
Not employed - not seeking employment	<b>2</b>	.2%	--	1	.3%	--	2	.2%	--	2	.4%	--
In full-time education/personal development	<b>1</b>	.2%	--	1	.3%	--	1	.3%	--	1	.3%	--
In part-time education	<b>&lt;1</b>	.1%	--	<1	.1%	- 2.0	<1	.1%	--	2**	.4%	--
In unpaid voluntary work	<b>1</b>	.2%	--	<1	.2%	- 2.0	<1	.1%	--	3**	.5%	--
My immigration status means that I am unable to work	<b>&lt;1</b>	.0%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--	<1	.1%	--
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>6500</b>											

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\* = significant at the p &lt; 0.05 level from both the other services.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 69: What is your current employment status? Region**

	<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
In full-time employment	<b>34</b>	36	30	35	36	22
In part-time employment	<b>24</b>	24	20	26	21	22
Self employed	<b>4</b>	4	3	5	4	2
Homemaker/Parent at home	<b>22</b>	20	27	21	24	29
Not employed - seeking employment	<b>7</b>	6	11	5	4	13
Not employed - not seeking employment	<b>2</b>	1	2	3	1	3
In full-time education/personal development	<b>1</b>	2	<1	<1	<1	<1
In part-time education	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1		<1	2	<1
In unpaid voluntary work	<b>1</b>	1	1	2	<1	2
My immigration status means that I am unable to work	<b>&lt;1</b>	<1				<1
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	<b>6500</b>					

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

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Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

**Table 70: Have you ever served in the Armed Forces? Single Service**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force		
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010
Yes, I am still serving	8	.4%	+ 2.7	5	.5%	--	5	.4%	+ 1.9	17	1.1%	+ 5.2
Yes, but I am no longer serving	11	.4%	--	13	.9%	--	10	.5%	--	14	1.0%	--
No, I have never served	80	.6%	- 2.7	82	1.0%	--	85	.7%	--	69	1.3%	- 5.2
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>	6500											

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 Indicates no comparison possible.

**Table 71: Have you ever served in the Armed Forces? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes, I am still serving	8	9	8	9	4	6
Yes, but I am no longer serving	11	11	8	12	17	11
No, I have never served	80	79	84	79	80	83
Unspecified	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from all the other region.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other region.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

**Table 72: In the last 12 months, if you have had difficulty obtaining employment, did you use a Government scheme to help you find employment? Single Service**

	Overall (%)	Single Service		
		Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	4	3	5	4
No	36	36	39	29**
Not applicable	54	59**	53	53
Unspecified	6	2**	3**	14**
Total	100	100	100	100

\*\* = significant at the p < 0.01 level from the other Services.

\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

No comparable data available. Questions reworded in 2011.

**Table 73: In the last 12 months, if you have had difficulty obtaining employment, did you use a Government scheme to help you find employment? Region**

	Overall (%)	Region				
		England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	4	4	6	4	4	3
No	36	35	40	35	33	39
Not applicable	54	54	52	55	60	54
Unspecified	6	6	2	5	4	4
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

**Table 74: If yes, did this contribute to helping you find employment?  
Single Service**

		Single Service		
	Overall (%)	Royal Navy (%)	Army (%)	Royal Air Force (%)
Yes	<b>21</b>	18	26	12
No	<b>69</b>	80	62	78
Don't know	<b>5</b>		8	
Unspecified	<b>5</b>	1	4	10
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from the other Services.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data available. Question reworded in 2011.

**Table 75: If yes, did this contribute to helping you find employment? Region**

		Region				
	Overall (%)	England (%)	Northern Ireland (%)	Scotland (%)	Wales (%)	Outside the UK (%)
Yes	<b>21</b>	22	25	7	30	25
No	<b>69</b>	69	62	88	48	61
Don't know	<b>5</b>	5	5			6
Unspecified	<b>5</b>	4	8	5	22	9
Total	<b>100</b>	100	100	100	100	100

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\* = significant at the p < 0.05 level from all the other regions.

Blank areas denote items where no data exists.

No comparable data available for regions due to different sampling design in 2011.

**Table 76: Have you experienced any of the following? Single Services**

	Total			Royal Navy			Army			Royal Air Force			
			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change			Sig change	
	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	%	SE	2010	
Difficulty finding a job due to a lack of relevant qualifications	Yes	11	.4%	- 3.7	10	.8%	--	12	.7%	- 5.0	8	.8%	--
	No	66	.7%	- 12.1	67**	1.2%	- 18.2	72**	.9%	--	54**	1.4%	- 26.7
	NA/Unspecified	24	.6%	+ 15.8	23**	1.1%	+ 20.3	16**	.7%	+ 7.6	39**	1.4%	+ 28.2
Difficulty finding a job because of your employment history (i.e. moving jobs frequently)	Yes	22	.6%	- 3.5	14**	.9%	--	25	.8%	--	22	1.2%	- 5.1
	No	55	.7%	- 11.8	60	1.2%	- 21.7	61	1.0%	--	41**	1.4%	- 22.1
	NA/Unspecified	23	.6%	+ 15.3	26**	1.1%	+ 23.3	14**	.7%	+ 5.9	38**	1.4%	+ 27.3
Difficulty finding a job because you were overseas with your spouse/civil partner	Yes	19	.5%	- 2.3	7**	.6%	--	26**	.8%	--	16**	1.0%	- 4.6
	No	49	.7%	- 20.0	50**	1.3%	- 38.2	60**	.9%	--	28**	1.3%	- 39.0
	NA/Unspecified	31	.6%	+ 22.2	43**	1.3%	+ 38.2	14**	.7%	+ 4.6	56**	1.4%	+ 43.6
Difficulty finding a job because your spouse is often away	Yes	27	.6%		27	1.1%		30	.9%		21**	1.2%	
	No	50	.7%		48**	1.3%		57**	1.0%		38**	1.4%	
	NA/Unspecified	23	.6%		24**	1.1%		12**	.6%		41**	1.4%	
<i>Total unweighted count (n)</i>			6500										

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**Table 77: Have you experienced any of the following? Region**

		<b>Overall (%)</b>	<b>Region</b>			
			<b>England (%)</b>	<b>Northern Ireland (%)</b>	<b>Scotland (%)</b>	<b>Wales (%)</b>
Difficulty finding a job due to a lack of relevant qualifications	Yes	<b>11</b>	10	13	9	13
	No	<b>66</b>	65	67	61	63
	NA/ Unspecified	<b>24</b>	24	19	30	24
Difficulty finding a job because of your employment history (i.e. moving jobs frequently)	Yes	<b>22</b>	21	26	21	26
	No	<b>55</b>	55	55	51	52
	NA/ Unspecified	<b>23</b>	24	19	28	21
Difficulty finding a job because you were overseas with your spouse/civil partner	Yes	<b>19</b>	14	24	12	14
	No	<b>49</b>	52	61	45	55
	NA/ Unspecified	<b>31</b>	34	15	43	31
Difficulty finding a job because your spouse is often away	Yes	<b>27</b>	27	34	28	28
	No	<b>50</b>	50	51	44	51
	NA/ Unspecified	<b>23</b>	24	14	29	22

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## Annex A

**Tri-Service Families Survey – FAMCAS 2011**

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**Survey Sections****Tables in Report****Section 1: Accommodation****1. Have you moved in the last 12 months?****Table 5**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No

**2. Do you own your own home?****Table 6  
Table 7**

- 1) Yes, I am living in it
- 2) Yes, but not living in it
- 3) No, but previously owned own home
- 4) No, I have never owned my own home

**3. If you own your own home, did you buy it in the last 12 months?****Table 8  
Table 10**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Not applicable

**4. If you own your own home AND bought it in the last 12 months, did you make use of a scheme to buy it?****Table 9  
Table 11**

- 1) Yes (please specify which scheme)
- 2) No, I didn't know that schemes were available
- 3) No, I didn't need to use a scheme
- 4) No (other reason)

**5. If you don't own your own home, why not?****Table 12  
Table 13***(please tick all that apply)*

- 1) I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)
- 2) I am expecting my spouse to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home
- 3) Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present
- 4) I/we want to be able to move about when my spouse is posted
- 5) I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located
- 6) I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment
- 7) I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage
- 8) I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home
- 9) I/we were not aware of support available to buy accommodation
- 10) Other (please write) (open textbox)

**6. What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week?**

- 1) Privately owned home
- 2) Privately rented
- 3) SSFA (ie [Service specific information])
- 4) SFA (ie [Service specific information])
- 5) SLA (ie [Service specific information])
- 6) Housing Association
- 7) Local Housing Authority
- 8) With parents/relatives
- 9) Other, please specify

**Table 14**  
**Table 15**

**7. What type of accommodation would you prefer to live in during the working week?**

- 1) Privately owned home
- 2) Privately rented
- 3) SSFA (ie [Service specific information])
- 4) SFA (ie [Service specific information])
- 5) SLA (ie [Service specific information])
- 6) Housing Association
- 7) Local Housing Authority
- 8) With parents/relatives
- 9) Other, please specify

**Table 16**

**8. If you live in Service provided accommodation and this needed to be adapted for a family member with special needs, was this work carried out...**

- 1) to your satisfaction
- 2) with some difficulties but still acceptable
- 3) with unacceptable difficulties
- 4) Not applicable – I/we do not live in a Service provided house

**Table 17**  
**Table 18**

**9. In the last 12 months, have you had difficulty maintaining your status on the electoral voting register?**

- 1) Yes, 2) No, 3) Don't know

**Table 19**  
**Table 20**

**10. What part of the UK (or country) do you currently live in?**

- 1) England
- 2) Northern Ireland
- 3) Scotland
- 4) Wales
- 5) Outside the UK (please specify which country)

**Table 21**

**11. Where is your spouse/civil partner currently stationed (if onboard a ship or boat please indicate where their base port is)?**

**Table 23**

- 1) England
- 2) Northern Ireland
- 3) Scotland
- 4) Wales
- 5) Outside the UK (please specify which country)

## Section 2: Healthcare

**12. If you/your family needed to access a dentist in the last 12 months, were you able to?**

**Table 24  
Table 25**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) I/my family was not looking for a dentist in this period

**13. If yes, what solution did you achieve? (please tick all that apply)**

**Table 26**

- 1) Paying treatment provided by the NHS
- 2) Free treatment provided by the NHS
- 3) Fully private dental treatment
- 4) Other

**14. If you moved in the last 12 months while undergoing a course of dental treatment, have you been able to continue the treatment in your new location?**

**Table 27  
Table 28**

- 1) Yes, without difficulties
- 2) Yes, but with some difficulties
- 3) No (please specify)

**15. In the last 12 months, if you were looking for a dentist but had difficulties, what sorts of obstacles did you encounter:  
(please tick all that apply)**

**Table 29  
Table 30**

- 1) Distance to nearest dentist
- 2) Lack of adequate transportation to get to dentist
- 3) Problems registering child (ren) as neither parents were registered with dentist
- 4) Long waiting lists
- 5) Lack of available places at dentist
- 6) Not applicable
- 7) Other (please specify)

**16. In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?**

**Table 31  
Table 32**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No (please go to Question 24)

**17. If yes, was your previous waiting time increased as a result of moving location?****Table 33  
Table 34**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Don't know
- 4) Not applicable

The following questions are asked because the Ministry of Defence endeavours to ensure that those undergoing Assisted Conception Treatment do not move until the cycle of Assisted Conception treatment is complete if they have informed their Chain of Command or Commanding Officer of the treatment.

**18. In the last 12 months, have you or a member of your family been...?****Table 35  
Table 36**

- 1) Yes, 2) No 3) Prefer not to say
  - a) On a waiting list for Assisted Conception (e.g. IVF) treatment
  - b) Undergoing Assisted Conception (e.g. IVF) treatment

**19. If yes, AND if you have moved in the last 12 months, did your serving spouse or civil partner inform their Chain of Command or Assigning Officer about this prior to the move?****Table 37**

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Prefer not to say
- 4) Don't know
- 5) Not applicable

**Section 3: Childcare and Education****IF YOU DO NOT HAVE CHILDREN PLEASE GO TO QUESTION 33****20. In the last 12 months, have you experienced any difficulty with the following?****Table 38  
Table 39**

- 1) Yes, considerably, 2) Yes, some, 3) No, 4) Does not apply
  - a) Obtaining a place at the school of your choice for your child (ren)
  - b) Obtaining a place at the childcare facilities of your choice for your child (ren)
  - c) Obtaining adequate information about schools for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting
  - d) Obtaining adequate information about childcare facilities for your child (ren) prior to a change in assignment/posting
  - e) Continuing your children's education without a gap when changing schools
  - f) A difference in syllabus content when changing schools
  - g) The standard of education in Service schools
  - h) Other (please specify)

**21. If you moved in the last 12 months and your child (ren) had to change school, did the following create any difficulties?**

Table 40  
Table 41

1) Yes, 2) No 3) Not applicable

- a) Amount of notice for posting to a new unit
- b) Amount of notice for allocation of Service accommodation

**22. If you moved in the last 12 months, did your child encounter difficulties with obtaining a place at...?**

Table 42  
Table 43

- 1) Yes, 2) No, 3) Not applicable
- a) A state school
- b) A state boarding school
- c) A private day school
- d) A private boarding school

**23. If you moved in the last 12 months and you experienced problems placing your child (ren) at the school of your choice, what difficulties did you encounter?**

Table 44  
Table 45

- 1) Insufficient transportation to school
- 2) Distance to school
- 2) Insufficient places at school of choice
- 3) Insufficient places at local school
- 4) Insufficient places at school (s) in catchment area
- 5) Unsuitable educational standard of local school
- 6) Children could not attend same school
- 7) Special Educational Needs (SEN) related difficulties
- 8) School admission application period does not coincide with notification of assignment
- 9) Local Authority was unsupportive
- 10) Other (please specify)

**24. Do you have any children with Special Educational Needs (SEN)?**

Table 46  
Table 47

(For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs)

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Not applicable

**25. If yes, and you have moved in the last 12 months, was their Special Educational Needs (SEN) support ...?**

Table 48  
Table 49

(For Scotland, SEN is termed Additional Support Needs)

(please tick one box only)

- a) Continued without disruption
- b) Continued after a time lag
- c) Not continued

**26. With regards to the use of boarding schools, please indicate whether...**

**Table 50**  
**Table 51**  
**Table 52**  
**Table 53**  
**Table 54**  
**Table 55**  
**Table 56**  
**Table 57**

1) Yes, 2) No, 3) Not applicable

- a) You would consider sending your child(ren) to boarding school
- b) You already send your child(ren) to boarding school
- c) If you are eligible, you would use the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school
- d) If you are eligible, you already use the Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) to send your children to boarding school

**27. In the last 12 months, have you or anyone in your family experienced difficulties with the following due to the mobility of Service life?**

**Table 58**  
**Table 59**

1) Yes, 2) No, 3) Not applicable

- a) Accessing further or higher education
- b) Continuing courses that you/your family started in a previous location

**28. Do the childcare facilities offered locally meet your needs in terms of...?**

**Table 60**  
**Table 61**

1) Yes, sufficiently, 2) Yes, to some extent, 3) No, 4) None offered, 5) Not applicable

- a) Access to facilities (e.g. distance, transportation)
- b) Quality of facilities
- c) Cost of facilities
- d) Hours of care (i.e. opening times)

**Section 4: Deployment, Tours, and Assignments****29. In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse on overseas assignments/postings?**

**Table 62**  
**Table 63**

1) Yes, 2) No

**30. If yes, did you experience difficulty with any of the following?**

**Table 64**  
**Table 65**

1) Yes, a lot, 2) Yes, some, 3) No, 4) Not applicable

- a) Obtaining paid employment
- b) Information obtained before going overseas (please specify)
- c) Maintaining a National Insurance contribution record

**31. If you accompanied your spouse on an overseas assignment and you maintained a National Insurance contribution record, was this because you applied for National Insurance credits?**

**Table 66**  
**Table 67**

1) Yes, 2) No 3) Not applicable

## Section 5: Employment

### 32. What is your current employment status?

(please tick all that apply)

- 1) In full-time employment
- 2) In part-time employment
- 3) Self employed
- 4) Homemaker/Parent at home
- 5) Not employed - seeking employment
- 6) Not employed - not seeking employment
- 7) In full-time education/personal development
- 8) In part-time education
- 9) In unpaid voluntary work
- 10) My immigration status means that I am unable to work

**Table 68**  
**Table 69**

### 33. Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?

**Table 70**  
**Table 71**

- 1) Yes, I am still serving
- 2) Yes, but I am no longer serving
- 3) No, I have never served

### 34. In the last 12 months, if you have had difficulty obtaining employment, did you use a Government scheme to help you find employment?

**Table 72**  
**Table 73**

- 1) Yes (please specify)
- 2) No
- 3) Not applicable

### 35. If yes, did this contribute to helping you find employment?

**Table 74**  
**Table 75**

- a. Yes, 2) No, 3) Don't know

### 36. Have you experienced any of the following?

**Table 76**  
**Table 77**

- 1) Yes, 2) No, 3) Not applicable

- a) Difficulty finding a job due to a lack of relevant qualifications
- b) Difficulty finding a job because of your employment history (i.e. moving jobs frequently)
- c) Difficulty finding a job because you were overseas with your spouse/civil partner
- d) Difficulty finding a job because your spouse is often away

## Section 6: Background

### 37. Your spouse's rank

(Please delete as appropriate for RN/Army/RAF when creating the question set)

**Table 22**

- OF-6 - Commodore/Brigadier/Air Commodore
- OF-5 - Captain/Colonel/Group Captain
- OF-4 - Commander/Lieutenant Colonel/Wing Commander
- OF-3 - Lieutenant Commander/Major/Squadron Leader
- OF-2 - Lieutenant/Captain/Flight Lieutenant
- OF-1 - Sub-Lieutenant/2nd Lieutenant/Flying Officer or Pilot Officer
- OR-9 - Warrant Officer 1/Warrant Officer / Master Aircrew
- OR-8 - Warrant Officer 2
- OR-7 - Chief Petty Officer/Colour Sergeant/Staff Sergeant/Flight Sergeant or Chief Technician
- OR-6 - Petty Officer/Sergeant
- OR-4 - Leading Rate/Corporal
- OR-3 - Lance Corporal
- OR-2/1 - Able Rate/Marine/Private/Junior Technician or Leading/Senior and Junior Aircraftsman



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