

THE ALSPAC STUDY

ASCK FILE

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Documentation giving frequencies, background and instructions for use.

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Data Handling Notes

The ASC data for the years 1994 to 2004 were supplied to ALSPAC by DfES in a single Excel workbook, with the data for each year in separate worksheets. In each worksheet long variable descriptions were supplied in the first row, but there were no short variable names.

The data were read directly into SPSS and the row containing the long variable descriptions was dropped. Short variable names were introduced, with the long variable descriptions used as variable labels. The format of the variable names is four letters followed by three numbers. The letters are “ASC” followed by “A”, “B”, “C” etc for years 1994, 1995, 1996 etc., with “I” (capital “i”) being omitted from the sequence. The variables in this file therefore all start “ASCK”. The numbers are simply the order of the variables in the raw data.

A few minor problems in the source data were tidied up and the variables then converted to numeric format, with “#” recoded to –1, which was labelled as “Missing”. ALSPAC’s school identifier “ALSPSCID” was then added to the file and the URN and ESTAB NUMBER variables consequently dropped. See Table 1 for notes on specific variables.

Table 1: Variable specific notes

Name	Label	Comment
ASCK001	urn	Dropped
ASCK003	lea name	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCK002)
ASCK004	estab number	Dropped (replaced by ALSPSCID)
ASCK006	sex of school description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCK005)
ASCK008	form 7 school type description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCK007)
ASCK123	pupil:teacher ratio	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCK188	% of pupils classified according to ethnic group	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCK192	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCK194	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCK196	% of pupils whose first language is unclassified	Rounded to 2d.p.

Release file version history

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Variable Names and Descriptions

Variable Name	Variable Description
alspscid	ALSPAC school identifier
asck002	lea number
asck005	sex of school
asck007	form 7 school type
asck009	part-time girls aged 0
asck010	part-time girls aged 1
asck011	part-time girls aged 2
asck012	part-time girls aged 3
asck013	part-time girls aged 4
asck014	part-time girls aged 5
asck015	part-time girls aged 6
asck016	part-time girls aged 7
asck017	part-time girls aged 8
asck018	part-time girls aged 9
asck019	part-time girls aged 10
asck020	part-time girls aged 11
asck021	part-time girls aged 12
asck022	part-time girls aged 13
asck023	part-time girls aged 14
asck024	part-time girls aged 15
asck025	part-time girls aged 16
asck026	part-time girls aged 17
asck027	part-time girls aged 18
asck028	part-time girls aged 19
asck029	full-time girls aged 0
asck030	full-time girls aged 1
asck031	full-time girls aged 2
asck032	full-time girls aged 3
asck033	full-time girls aged 4
asck034	full-time girls aged 5
asck035	full-time girls aged 6
asck036	full-time girls aged 7
asck037	full-time girls aged 8

Variable Name	Variable Description
asck038	full-time girls aged 9
asck039	full-time girls aged 10
asck040	full-time girls aged 11
asck041	full-time girls aged 12
asck042	full-time girls aged 13
asck043	full-time girls aged 14
asck044	full-time girls aged 15
asck045	full-time girls aged 16
asck046	full-time girls aged 17
asck047	full-time girls aged 18
asck048	full-time girls aged 19
asck049	part time boys aged 0
asck050	part time boys aged 1
asck051	part time boys aged 2
asck052	part time boys aged 3
asck053	part time boys aged 4
asck054	part time boys aged 5
asck055	part time boys aged 6
asck056	part time boys aged 7
asck057	part time boys aged 8
asck058	part time boys aged 9
asck059	part time boys aged 10
asck060	part time boys aged 11
asck061	part time boys aged 12
asck062	part time boys aged 13
asck063	part time boys aged 14
asck064	part time boys aged 15
asck065	part time boys aged 16
asck066	part time boys aged 17
asck067	part time boys aged 18
asck068	part time boys aged 19
asck069	full time boys aged 0
asck070	full time boys aged 1
asck071	full time boys aged 2
asck072	full time boys aged 3

Variable Name	Variable Description
asck073	full time boys aged 4
asck074	full time boys aged 5
asck075	full time boys aged 6
asck076	full time boys aged 7
asck077	full time boys aged 8
asck078	full time boys aged 9
asck079	full time boys aged 10
asck080	full time boys aged 11
asck081	full time boys aged 12
asck082	full time boys aged 13
asck083	full time boys aged 14
asck084	full time boys aged 15
asck085	full time boys aged 16
asck086	full time boys aged 17
asck087	full time boys aged 18
asck088	full time boys aged 19
asck089	full time pupils
asck090	part time pupils
asck091	headcount of pupils
asck092	fte pupils
asck093	boy boarders
asck094	girl boarders
asck095	total boarders
asck096	full time qualified teachers
asck097	part time qualified teachers
asck098	headcount of qualified teachers
asck099	full time equivalent of qualified teachers
asck100	full time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
asck101	part time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
asck102	headcount of teachers on schemes leading to QTS
asck103	full time equivalent of teachers on schemes leading to QTS
asck104	full time teachers not recognised as qualified
asck105	part time teachers not recognised as qualified
asck106	headcount teachers not recognised as qualified
asck107	full time equivalent of teachers not recognised as qualified

Variable Name	Variable Description
asck108	full time equivalent of other teachers
asck109	full time equivalent of qualified teaching assistants
asck110	full time equivalent of unqualified teaching assistants
asck111	full time equivalent of teaching assistants (other than primary & special)
asck112	full time equivalent of special needs support staff
asck113	full time equivalent of minority ethnic support staff
asck114	full time equivalent of teaching assistants
asck115	full time equivalent of technicians
asck116	full time equivalent of other education support staff
asck117	full time equivalent of support staff
asck118	full time equivalent of admin officers / secretaries
asck119	full time equivalent of bursars
asck120	full time equivalent of other admin/ clerical
asck121	full time equivalent of admin/ clerical staff
asck122	fte teachers and support staff
asck123	pupil:teacher ratio
asck124	Number of pupils (used for FSM calculation)
asck125	number of pupils taking free school meals
asck126	% of pupils taking free school meals
asck127	number of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
asck128	% of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
asck129	number of classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
asck130	number of classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck131	number of classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck132	total number of classes taught by one teacher
asck133	number of pupils in classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
asck134	number of pupils in classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck135	number of pupils in classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck136	total number of pupils in classes taught by one teacher
asck137	average size of one teacher classes
asck138	number of key stage 1 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
asck139	number of key stage 1 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck140	number of key stage 1 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck141	total number of key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
asck142	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher

Variable Name	Variable Description
asck143	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck144	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck145	total number of pupils in key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
asck146	average size of key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
asck147	number of key stage 2 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
asck148	number of key stage 2 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck149	number of key stage 2 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck150	total number of key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
asck151	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
asck152	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
asck153	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
asck154	total number of pupils in key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
asck155	average size of key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
asck156	number of pupils with special needs with statements
asck157	% of pupils with special needs with statements
asck158	number of pupils with special needs without statements
asck159	% of pupils with special needs without statements
asck160	number of pupils classified as white ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck161	number of pupils classified as black caribbean heritage (PRUs only)
asck162	number of pupils classified as black african heritage (PRUs only)
asck163	number of pupils classified as black other heritage (PRUs only)
asck164	number of pupils classified as indian ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck165	number of pupils classified as pakistani ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck166	number of pupils classified as bangladeshi ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck167	number of pupils classified as chinese ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck168	number of pupils classified as any other minority ethnic origin (PRUs only)
asck169	number of pupils classified as white British ethnic origin
asck170	number of pupils classified as Irish ethnic origin
asck171	number of pupils classified as traveller of Irish heritage ethnic origin
asck172	number of pupils classified as any other white background ethnic origin
asck173	number of pupils classified as Gypsy/Roma ethnic origin
asck174	number of pupils classified as white and black Caribbean ethnic origin
asck175	number of pupils classified as white and black African ethnic origin
asck176	number of pupils classified as white and Asian ethnic origin
asck177	number of pupils classified as any other mixed background ethnic origin

Variable Name	Variable Description
asck178	number of pupils classified as Indian ethnic origin
asck179	number of pupils classified as Pakistani ethnic origin
asck180	number of pupils classified as Bangladeshi ethnic origin
asck181	number of pupils classified as any other Asian background ethnic origin
asck182	number of pupils classified as Caribbean ethnic origin
asck183	number of pupils classified as African ethnic origin
asck184	number of pupils classified as any other black background ethnic origin
asck185	number of pupils classified as Chinese ethnic origin
asck186	number of pupils classified as any other ethnic group ethnic origin
asck187	number of pupils classified according to ethnic group
asck188	% of pupils classified according to ethnic group
asck189	number of pupils unclassified
asck190	number of pupils of compulsory school age and above
asck191	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
asck192	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
asck193	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
asck194	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
asck195	number of pupils whose first language is unclassified
asck196	% of pupils whose first language is unclassified