

THE ALSPAC STUDY

ASCL FILE

ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS 2004

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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 “ASCL”. 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
ASCL001	urn	Dropped
ASCL003	lea name	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCL002)
ASCL004	estab number	Dropped (replaced by ALSPSCID)
ASCL006	sex of school description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCL005)
ASCL008	form 7 school type description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCL007)
ASCL188	% of pupils classified according to ethnic group	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCL192	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCL194	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English	Rounded to 2d.p.
ASCL196	% 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
ascl002	lea number
ascl005	sex of school
ascl007	form 7 school type
ascl009	part-time girls aged 0
ascl010	part-time girls aged 1
ascl011	part-time girls aged 2
ascl012	part-time girls aged 3
ascl013	part-time girls aged 4
ascl014	part-time girls aged 5
ascl015	part-time girls aged 6
ascl016	part-time girls aged 7
ascl017	part-time girls aged 8
ascl018	part-time girls aged 9
ascl019	part-time girls aged 10
ascl020	part-time girls aged 11
ascl021	part-time girls aged 12
ascl022	part-time girls aged 13
ascl023	part-time girls aged 14
ascl024	part-time girls aged 15
ascl025	part-time girls aged 16
ascl026	part-time girls aged 17
ascl027	part-time girls aged 18
ascl028	part-time girls aged 19
ascl029	full-time girls aged 0
ascl030	full-time girls aged 1
ascl031	full-time girls aged 2
ascl032	full-time girls aged 3
ascl033	full-time girls aged 4
ascl034	full-time girls aged 5
ascl035	full-time girls aged 6
ascl036	full-time girls aged 7
ascl037	full-time girls aged 8

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascl038	full-time girls aged 9
ascl039	full-time girls aged 10
ascl040	full-time girls aged 11
ascl041	full-time girls aged 12
ascl042	full-time girls aged 13
ascl043	full-time girls aged 14
ascl044	full-time girls aged 15
ascl045	full-time girls aged 16
ascl046	full-time girls aged 17
ascl047	full-time girls aged 18
ascl048	full-time girls aged 19
ascl049	part time boys aged 0
ascl050	part time boys aged 1
ascl051	part time boys aged 2
ascl052	part time boys aged 3
ascl053	part time boys aged 4
ascl054	part time boys aged 5
ascl055	part time boys aged 6
ascl056	part time boys aged 7
ascl057	part time boys aged 8
ascl058	part time boys aged 9
ascl059	part time boys aged 10
ascl060	part time boys aged 11
ascl061	part time boys aged 12
ascl062	part time boys aged 13
ascl063	part time boys aged 14
ascl064	part time boys aged 15
ascl065	part time boys aged 16
ascl066	part time boys aged 17
ascl067	part time boys aged 18
ascl068	part time boys aged 19
ascl069	full time boys aged 0
ascl070	full time boys aged 1
ascl071	full time boys aged 2
ascl072	full time boys aged 3

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascl073	full time boys aged 4
ascl074	full time boys aged 5
ascl075	full time boys aged 6
ascl076	full time boys aged 7
ascl077	full time boys aged 8
ascl078	full time boys aged 9
ascl079	full time boys aged 10
ascl080	full time boys aged 11
ascl081	full time boys aged 12
ascl082	full time boys aged 13
ascl083	full time boys aged 14
ascl084	full time boys aged 15
ascl085	full time boys aged 16
ascl086	full time boys aged 17
ascl087	full time boys aged 18
ascl088	full time boys aged 19
ascl089	full time pupils
ascl090	part time pupils
ascl091	headcount of pupils
ascl092	fte pupils
ascl093	boy boarders
ascl094	girl boarders
ascl095	total boarders
ascl096	full time qualified teachers
ascl097	part time qualified teachers
ascl098	headcount of qualified teachers
ascl099	full time equivalent of qualified teachers
ascl100	full time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascl101	part time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascl102	headcount of teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascl103	full time equivalent of teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascl104	full time teachers not recognised as qualified
ascl105	part time teachers not recognised as qualified
ascl106	headcount teachers not recognised as qualified
ascl107	full time equivalent of teachers not recognised as qualified

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascl108	full time equivalent of other teachers
ascl109	full time equivalent of qualified teaching assistants
ascl110	full time equivalent of unqualified teaching assistants
ascl111	full time equivalent of teaching assistants (other than primary & special)
ascl112	full time equivalent of special needs support staff
ascl113	full time equivalent of minority ethnic support staff
ascl114	full time equivalent of teaching assistants
ascl115	full time equivalent of technicians
ascl116	full time equivalent of other education support staff
ascl117	full time equivalent of support staff
ascl118	full time equivalent of admin officers / secretaries
ascl119	full time equivalent of bursars
ascl120	full time equivalent of other admin/ clerical
ascl121	full time equivalent of admin/ clerical staff
ascl122	fte teachers and support staff
ascl123	pupil:teacher ratio
ascl124	Number of pupils (used for FSM calculation)
ascl125	number of pupils taking free school meals
ascl126	% of pupils taking free school meals
ascl127	number of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascl128	% of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascl129	number of classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
ascl130	number of classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl131	number of classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl132	total number of classes taught by one teacher
ascl133	number of pupils in classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
ascl134	number of pupils in classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl135	number of pupils in classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl136	total number of pupils in classes taught by one teacher
ascl137	average size of one teacher classes
ascl138	number of key stage 1 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
ascl139	number of key stage 1 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl140	number of key stage 1 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl141	total number of key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
ascl142	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascl143	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl144	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl145	total number of pupils in key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
ascl146	average size of key stage 1 classes taught by one teacher
ascl147	number of key stage 2 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
ascl148	number of key stage 2 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl149	number of key stage 2 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl150	total number of key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
ascl151	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 1-30 taught by one teacher
ascl152	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 31-35 taught by one teacher
ascl153	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 36+ taught by one teacher
ascl154	total number of pupils in key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
ascl155	average size of key stage 2 classes taught by one teacher
ascl156	number of pupils with special needs with statements
ascl157	% of pupils with special needs with statements
ascl158	number of pupils with special needs without statements
ascl159	% of pupils with special needs without statements
ascl160	number of pupils classified as white ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl161	number of pupils classified as black caribbean heritage (PRUs only)
ascl162	number of pupils classified as black african heritage (PRUs only)
ascl163	number of pupils classified as black other heritage (PRUs only)
ascl164	number of pupils classified as indian ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl165	number of pupils classified as pakistani ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl166	number of pupils classified as bangladeshi ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl167	number of pupils classified as chinese ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl168	number of pupils classified as any other minority ethnic origin (PRUs only)
ascl169	number of pupils classified as white British ethnic origin
ascl170	number of pupils classified as Irish ethnic origin
ascl171	number of pupils classified as traveller of Irish heritage ethnic origin
ascl172	number of pupils classified as any other white background ethnic origin
ascl173	number of pupils classified as Gypsy/Roma ethnic origin
ascl174	number of pupils classified as white and black Caribbean ethnic origin
ascl175	number of pupils classified as white and black African ethnic origin
ascl176	number of pupils classified as white and Asian ethnic origin
ascl177	number of pupils classified as any other mixed background ethnic origin

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascl178	number of pupils classified as Indian ethnic origin
ascl179	number of pupils classified as Pakistani ethnic origin
ascl180	number of pupils classified as Bangladeshi ethnic origin
ascl181	number of pupils classified as any other Asian background ethnic origin
ascl182	number of pupils classified as Caribbean ethnic origin
ascl183	number of pupils classified as African ethnic origin
ascl184	number of pupils classified as any other black background ethnic origin
ascl185	number of pupils classified as Chinese ethnic origin
ascl186	number of pupils classified as any other ethnic group ethnic origin
ascl187	number of pupils classified according to ethnic group
ascl188	% of pupils classified according to ethnic group
ascl189	number of pupils unclassified
ascl190	number of pupils of compulsory school age and above
ascl191	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
ascl192	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
ascl193	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
ascl194	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
ascl195	number of pupils whose first language is unclassified
ascl196	% of pupils whose first language is unclassified