

# **THE ALSPAC STUDY**

## **ASCF FILE**

### **ANNUAL SCHOOL CENSUS 1999**

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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. The variables in this file therefore all start "ASCF". 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
ASCF001	urn	Dropped
ASCF003	lea name	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCF002)
ASCF004	estab number	Dropped (replaced by ALSPSCID)
ASCF006	form 7 school type description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCF005)
ASCF008	Sex of school description	Dropped (used to apply value labels to ASCF007)
ASCF077	full time equivalent of nursery assistants	A single negative value was recoded to #
ASCF123	% of pupils permanently excluded 1997/1998	Rounded to 2d.p.

### Release file version history

#### Version 1a – August 2009

The first version of the release file.

## Variable Names and Descriptions

Variable Name	Variable Description
alspscid	ALSPAC school identifier
ascf002	lea number
ascf005	form 7 school type
ascf007	sex of school
ascf009	part-time girls aged 0
ascf010	part-time girls aged 1
ascf011	part-time girls aged 2
ascf012	part-time girls aged 3
ascf013	part-time girls aged 4
ascf014	full-time girls aged 0
ascf015	full-time girls aged 1
ascf016	full-time girls aged 2
ascf017	full-time girls aged 3
ascf018	full-time girls aged 4
ascf019	full-time girls aged 5
ascf020	full-time girls aged 6
ascf021	full-time girls aged 7
ascf022	full-time girls aged 8
ascf023	full-time girls aged 9
ascf024	full-time girls aged 10
ascf025	full-time girls aged 11
ascf026	full-time girls aged 12
ascf027	full-time girls aged 13
ascf028	full-time girls aged 14
ascf029	full-time girls aged 15
ascf030	full-time girls aged 16
ascf031	full-time girls aged 17
ascf032	full-time girls aged 18
ascf033	full-time girls aged 19
ascf034	part time boys aged 0
ascf035	part time boys aged 1
ascf036	part time boys aged 2
ascf037	part time boys aged 3

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascf038	part time boys aged 4
ascf039	full time boys aged 0
ascf040	full time boys aged 1
ascf041	full time boys aged 2
ascf042	full time boys aged 3
ascf043	full time boys aged 4
ascf044	full time boys aged 5
ascf045	full time boys aged 6
ascf046	full time boys aged 7
ascf047	full time boys aged 8
ascf048	full time boys aged 9
ascf049	full time boys aged 10
ascf050	full time boys aged 11
ascf051	full time boys aged 12
ascf052	full time boys aged 13
ascf053	full time boys aged 14
ascf054	full time boys aged 15
ascf055	full time boys aged 16
ascf056	full time boys aged 17
ascf057	full time boys aged 18
ascf058	full time boys aged 19
ascf059	full time pupils
ascf060	part time pupils
ascf061	headcount of pupils
ascf062	fte pupils
ascf063	boy boarders
ascf064	girl boarders
ascf065	total boarders
ascf066	number of head teachers
ascf067	full time other qualified teachers
ascf068	part time other qualified teachers
ascf069	headcount of qualified teachers
ascf070	full time equivalent of qualified teachers
ascf071	full time equivalent of instructors & student teachers
ascf072	full time equivalent of licensed teachers

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascf073	full time equivalent of foreign language assistants
ascf074	full time equivalent of unqualified teachers
ascf075	full time equivalent of teachers entitled to qualify by service
ascf076	full time equivalent of teachers not recognised as qualified
ascf077	full time equivalent of nursery assistants
ascf078	full time equivalent of special needs support staff
ascf079	full time equivalent of minority ethnic support staff
ascf080	full time equivalent of other education support staff
ascf081	full time equivalent of secretaries
ascf082	full time equivalent of bursars
ascf083	full time equivalent of other admin/clerical
ascf084	pupil:teacher ratio
ascf085	number of pupils taking free school meals
ascf086	% of pupils taking free school meals
ascf087	number of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascf088	% of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascf089	number of classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf090	number of pupils in classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf091	average size of 1 teacher classes
ascf092	number of classes taught by 2 or more teachers
ascf093	number of pupils in classes taught by 2 or more teachers
ascf094	average size of classes taught by 2 or more teachers
ascf095	number of key stage 1 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf096	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf097	average size of key stage 1 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf098	number of key stage 1 classes of size 31+ taught by 1 teacher
ascf099	number of pupils in key stage 1 classes of size 31+ taught by 1
ascf100	number of key stage 2 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf101	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf102	average size of key stage 2 classes taught by 1 teacher
ascf103	number of key stage 2 classes of size 31+ taught by 1 teacher
ascf104	number of pupils in key stage 2 classes of size 31+ taught by 1
ascf105	number of classes mainly under 14 taught by 1 teacher
ascf106	number of pupils in classes mainly under 14 taught by 1 teacher
ascf107	average size of classes of mainly under 14 taught by 1 teacher

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascf108	number of classes mainly 14 and 15 taught by 1 teacher
ascf109	number of pupils in classes mainly 14 and 15 taught by 1 teacher
ascf110	average size of classes of mainly 14 and 15 taught by 1 teacher
ascf111	number of classes mainly 16+ taught by 1 teacher
ascf112	number of pupils in classes mainly 16+ taught by 1 teacher
ascf113	average size of classes of mainly 16 taught by 1 teacher
ascf114	number of pupils with special needs with statements
ascf115	% of pupils with special needs with statements
ascf116	number of pupils with special needs without statements
ascf117	% of pupils with special needs without statements
ascf118	number of pupils classified as white minority ethnic origin
ascf119	% of pupils classified as white minority ethnic origin
ascf120	number of pupils classified as 'other' minority ethnic origin
ascf121	% of pupils classified as 'other' minority ethnic origin
ascf122	number of permanent exclusions 1997/1998
ascf123	% of pupils permanently excluded 1997/1998