

THE ALSPAC STUDY

ASCP FILE

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Data Handling Notes

The ASC data for the years 2005 to 2009 were supplied to ALSPAC by DfE in individual formatted Excel workbooks. In each workbook long variable descriptions were supplied in the first row, but there were no short variable names.

The data were read into Excel first and comma separated variable files were created. These were unformatted and directly read into SPSS and the row containing the long variable descriptions were used. 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 “M”, “N”, “O”, “P”, “Q” etc for years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 etc. The variables in this file therefore all start “ASCP”. 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
ASCP001	urn	Dropped
ASCP004	estab number	Dropped (replaced by ALSPSCID)
ASCP002a	Lea and Estab number combined	Dropped (replaced by ALSPSCID)
ASCP006a	School name	Dropped
ASCP006b	School type	Dropped (used to label variable ASCP007)

Table 2: Value label specific notes

Name	Label	Comment
ASCO002, 007	-2	Other
ASCO007	-3	Special Schools
ASCO300 to ASCO306a	-2	<5

Release file version history

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The first version of the release file.

Variable Names and Descriptions

Variable Name	Variable Description
ALSPSCID	ALSPAC School Identifier
ascp002	lea number
ascp005	sex of school
ascp007	school type
ascp009	part-time girls aged 0
ascp010	part-time girls aged 1
ascp011	part-time girls aged 2
ascp012	part-time girls aged 3
ascp013	part-time girls aged 4
ascp014	part-time girls aged 5
ascp015	part-time girls aged 6
ascp016	part-time girls aged 7
ascp017	part-time girls aged 8
ascp018	part-time girls aged 9
ascp019	part-time girls aged 10
ascp020	part-time girls aged 11
ascp021	part-time girls aged 12
ascp022	part-time girls aged 13
ascp023	part-time girls aged 14
ascp025b	part-time girls aged 15 and 16
ascp028b	part-time girls aged 17, 18 and 19
ascp028a	part time girls unclassified
ascp029	full time girls aged 0
ascp030	full time girls aged 1
ascp031	full time girls aged 2
ascp032	full time girls aged 3
ascp033	full time girls aged 4
ascp034	full time girls aged 5
ascp035	full time girls aged 6
ascp036	full time girls aged 7
ascp037	full time girls aged 8
ascp038	full time girls aged 9
ascp039	full time girls aged 10

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascp040	full time girls aged 11
ascp041	full time girls aged 12
ascp042	full time girls aged 13
ascp043	full time girls aged 14
ascp044	full time girls aged 15
ascp045	full time girls aged 16
ascp046	full time girls aged 17
ascp047	full time girls aged 18
ascp048	full time girls aged 19
ascp048a	full time girls unclassified
ascp049	part-time boys aged 0
ascp050	part-time boys aged 1
ascp051	part-time boys aged 2
ascp052	part-time boys aged 3
ascp053	part-time boys aged 4
ascp054	part-time boys aged 5
ascp055	part-time boys aged 6
ascp056	part-time boys aged 7
ascp057	part-time boys aged 8
ascp058	part-time boys aged 9
ascp059	part-time boys aged 10
ascp060	part-time boys aged 11
ascp061	part-time boys aged 12
ascp062	part-time boys aged 13
ascp063	part-time boys aged 14
ascp065b	part-time boys aged 15 and 16
ascp068b	part-time boys aged 17, 18 and 19
ascp068a	part time boys unclassified
ascp069	full time boys aged 0
ascp070	full time boys aged 1
ascp071	full time boys aged 2
ascp072	full time boys aged 3
ascp073	full time boys aged 4
ascp074	full time boys aged 5
ascp075	full time boys aged 6

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascp076	full time boys aged 7
ascp077	full time boys aged 8
ascp078	full time boys aged 9
ascp079	full time boys aged 10
ascp080	full time boys aged 11
ascp081	full time boys aged 12
ascp082	full time boys aged 13
ascp083	full time boys aged 14
ascp084	full time boys aged 15
ascp085	full time boys aged 16
ascp086	full time boys aged 17
ascp087	full time boys aged 18
ascp088	full time boys aged 19
ascp88a	full time boys unclassified
ascp091a	headcount total girls
ascp091b	headcount total boys
ascp089	full time pupils
ascp090	part-time pupils
ascp091	headcount of pupils
ascp090a	full time equivalent pupils
ascp093	boy boarders
ascp094	girl boarders
ascp095	total boarders
ascp096	full time qualified teachers
ascp097	part-time qualified teachers
ascp098	headcount of qualified teachers
ascp099	full time equivalent of qualified teachers
ascp100	full time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascp101	part time teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascp102	headcount of teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascp103	full time equivalent teachers on schemes leading to QTS
ascp104	full time teachers not recognised as qualified
ascp105	part time teachers not recognised as qualified
ascp106	headcount of teachers not recognised as qualified
ascp107	full time equivalent of teachers not recognised as qualified

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascp109	full time equivalent of teaching assistants
ascp109a	full time equivalent of higher level teaching assistants
ascp112	full time equivalent of special needs support staff
ascp240	full time equivalent of bilingual minority ethnic support staff
ascp113	full time equivalent of other minority ethnic support staff
ascp197	full time equivalent of matrons, nurses and medical staff
ascp241	full time equivalent of librarians
ascp115	total full time equivalent of technicians
ascp242	full time equivalent of IT technicians
ascp243	full time equivalent of other education support staff
ascp244	full time equivalent of qualified child care staff
ascp245	full time equivalent of unqualified child care staff
ascp246	full time equivalent of administrative officers secretaries
ascp119	full time equivalent of bursars
ascp120	full time equivalent of other admin clerical
ascp123	pupil to teacher ratio
ascp124	number of pupils used for FSM calculation
ascp125	number of pupils taking free school meals
ascp126	% of pupils taking free school meals
ascp127	number of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascp128	% of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals
ascp203	Number of pupils used for FSM calculation in SCAAT
ascp204	number of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals SCAAT
ascp205	% of pupils known to be eligible for free school meals SCAAT
ascp300	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - White
ascp300a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - White
ascp301	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Black
ascp301a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Black
ascp302	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Asian
ascp302a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Asian
ascp303	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Mixed
ascp303a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Mixed
ascp304	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Chinese
ascp304a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Chinese
ascp305	Number of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Any other ethnic group

Variable Name	Variable Description
ascp305a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Any other ethnic group
ascp306a	% of pupils classified as ethnicity group - Unclassified
ascp186a	% of pupils classified as any other ethnic group ethnic origin
ascp189	% of pupils unclassified
ascp190	number of pupils of compulsory school age and above
ascp191	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
ascp192	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be English
ascp193	number of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
ascp194	% of pupils whose first language is known or believed to be other than English
ascp195	number of pupils whose first language is unclassified
ascp196	% of pupils whose first language is unclassified
ascp220	FTE number of pupils in year group Nursery 1
ascp221	FTE number of pupils in year group Nursery 2
ascp222	FTE number of pupils in year group Reception
ascp223	FTE number of pupils in year group 1
ascp224	FTE number of pupils in year group 2
ascp225	FTE number of pupils in year group 3
ascp226	FTE number of pupils in year group 4
ascp227	FTE number of pupils in year group 5
ascp228	FTE number of pupils in year group 6
ascp229	FTE number of pupils in year group 7
ascp230	FTE number of pupils in year group 8
ascp231	FTE number of pupils in year group 9
ascp232	FTE number of pupils in year group 10
ascp233	FTE number of pupils in year group 11
ascp234	FTE number of pupils in year group 12
ascp236a	FTE number of pupils in year groups 13+