Scottish Young People's Survey 1985

Sweep 1 of the cohort who were in S4 in session 1983-4

Questionnaire version: Q1

(sent to members of the cohort expected to stay-on to S5)

SCOTTISH YOUNG PEOPLES SURVEY

HOW TO ANSWER

This questionnaire is about your last year at school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and your views on your experiences. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

yes	• •	• • • •	•••	• • • •	• •	1
no						/ ₂

If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Pagel	Fourth year
Frthoky	1. On the whole, do you feel your <u>fourth</u> yes
Ernant2v	2. How often did you play truant never
ptjb4thv	3. Did you have a part-time job yes
Scharletter - des et California et al.	The next section is about the work you did in <u>fourth</u> year and the exams you took.
vocexamu	4. While you were in <u>fourth</u> year did you study for exams such as CSEs (Certificate of Secondary Education), RSAs, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? Please <u>don't</u> count your O grades or O levels here
THE COME AND THE C	YES 1 NO $_2$ \to If NO, please go to the next page of the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took. Please don't list your O grades or O levels. We will ask about these later
THE PROPERTY AND A STATE OF TH	subject studied type of result qualification (eg pass/fail, grade, 'exam not sat')
	See rec42 - othrsubj
howstd1v	5. How did you study for these qualifications while you were in fourth year? tick yes or no for each one
hous std5	Did you study in classes at your own school?

There are two parts to this page C

Part 1 is about your	subjects i	n third	and fourth year.	Part 2 is a	bout the	exams you to
PART 1 SUBJECTS			PART 2 FOURTH	YEAR EXAMS		
Go through the list o subjects below. <u>Tick</u> each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:	•		2. Tick if		lim in it	
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16 RE (Religious Education)	3rd	4th 🗌				
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63 Chemistry	3rd	4th 🔲	Chemistry	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
88 Physics	3rd	4th 🗌	Physics	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
62 Biology	3rd 🔲	4th 🔲	Biology	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
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13 Geography	3rd	4th 🗌	Geography	sat prelim	sat o	ABCDEn
14 History	3rd	4th	History	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
15 Modern Studies	3rd 🔲	4th 🗌	Hodern Studies	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
02 French	3rd	tth 🗌	French	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
04 German	3rd 🔲	4th 🔲	German	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDER
71 Art and Design	3rd 🔲	4th 🗌	Art and Design	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCOEn
35 Secretarial Studies	3rd	4th 🔲	Sec Studies	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
33 Home Economics:			Home Economics:			
Food and Nutrition	3rd	4th	Food and Nut	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
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30 Accounting	3rd	4th	Accounting	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
Write here all your other third/fourth year subject	.s		Other subjects you took for exams			
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Now go to PART 2 See rec36_ Scesubj2

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	1.	When you were in your fourth tick yes or no for each one	year at school	У <u>ез</u> по	ļ
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54 55)		were you seriously looking fo			2
54556	cyv	did any of your teachers advi	ise you to stay on? .		2
5455	-	did your parents want you to	leave?		_2
SSFrend	.V 2.	In your <u>fourth</u> year, did mos friends decide to stay on f year at school?		yes	_1
burs5kn	з.	Did you know that it is poss receive a grant for staying fifth year at school (called 'Higher School Bursary')?	on in your	yes	_1_2
bursapp	4.	Did you apply for such a	Did not apply for	grant	ı
12M2 abb	V	grant?	Applied, but was a		7
		tick one box	Applied and was o		3
StartSV	5.	Did you start a <u>fifth</u> year a YES 1 If YES:		NO, please go page (
		Why did you start a fifth tick <u>al</u>	year? Ll the reasons the	at applied	
45th1	V	I planned to do s	subjects for High	ers	
6		I wanted to get m O-grades.	more or better		
ySth1 to ySth1	υď		o leave at the end of the control of	•	
			os available that	3	
		I enjoyed school	life		
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		Because my friend	ds were staying o	n	
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y5thmv	6.	Which of these was the most underline it on the list al		? Please	

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Page 4 Fifth year subjects

	This page is about subjects studied in your <u>fifth</u> year at school. If you have left school, please tell us about the subjects you studied when you were still in fifth year. If you did not start a fifth year please go to page 6
pass mdc.	
pa 35 013	2. Please write down the names of the modules which you have studied in your fifth year. If you have not studied any, please write '0'
1	See recht modschl 3. How many modules do you expect to have
mdcmpv	completed by the end of your fifth
52	subject you had lessons in during fifth year, and write in names of other subjects you have studied since August. Do not include your modules here QUALIFICATION SOUGHT
	had lessons O grade Highers some other (please sa qualification which) 01 English
	(please write in names)

 $\frac{Now}{Now}$, please go through the list again. For each subject you had lessons in, in your fifth year, $\frac{tick}{Now}$ the box to show

which qualification (if any) you were studying for.

Page 5	Making plans	
refletsi	1. On reflection, do you think that staying yes on into the fifth year was the right decision for you?	
guid Sthiv	2. Did you receive enough guidance at yes school when choosing courses for your fifth year?	
lookjobu	3. Have you seriously been looking for a yes full-time job during fifth year?	
Hnklew	4. How seriously are you seriously	
Account to the second s	The next few questions are for those who are now at school If you have left school, please go to the next page	<u>.</u> -
plandsby	5. What do you <u>plan</u> to do when you leave school? start a job?	
Make made the second of the State of the Sta	start a full-time course other than for a degree?	
	·	
jobfix2v intendlov	6. Have you a full-time job fixed yes up for when you leave?	
intendor	7. Do you intend to stay on for a yes	
All Andrews Applications and the second and the sec	If YES:	
numary de Constitución de Cons	In sixth year do you plan to study for See rec 43_5ch qual ves no unsure	
este) veliten omen en	0 grades?	
(ARRASARIA)	Certificate of Sixth Year Studies (CSYS)?	
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The next few questions are about making applications for college or university courses. We would like to know what you have considered applying for since last August.

1. Have you thought about applying for any courses, since last August? Include part-time courses

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If YES:

We list below different types of courses (including part-time courses).

Please tick any for which you...

- ...have <u>considered</u> applying
- ... have applied including applications later withdrawn
- ... have been offered a conditional place
 - (i.e. dependent on getting certain exam passes)
- ... have been offered an unconditional place

		considered	applied	conditional	
<u>.</u>				place	place
apuniuq	University: degree courses				
apceddqu apced tqu apced oqu	College of Education: degree courses				
apced Equ	teacher training diploma				
apcedogu	other courses (eg Social Work)				
	Colleges of Further Education,			• .	
apdfeqv	<u>& other colleges:</u> degree courses				
apafequ	other advanced courses (eg HND, HNC)				
apofequ	other courses (eg OND, ONC, Highers)				
apnursqu	Nursing or Physiotherapy		1	1	[]
apothrqv	Other education or training				
2	. When you <u>first</u> started and did you <u>most</u> want to do? Please name the course anter:				which
- · l · ·	a. Course: please give to course leads, and the			n to which	the
quenstq	qualification				
submstq	V subject(s)				
instmqv	b. <u>Institution</u> : (eg Glas University, Napier Col	-			

two stay i regd styv		Where are you now staying? (If a student you stay during term) name of town or village name of Region or County	********
leftschu	2.	Have you left school?	
mthle fts	Ĵ	YES 1 NO 2	→If NO, please go t page 10
mehleft yrlefty			month:
leaurtu	З.	Do you think that leaving school then was the right decision for you?	yes
parsthu	4.	Did your parents want you to complete your fifth year?	yes
tch5/thv	5.	Did any of your teachers advise you to complete your fifth year?	yes
	6.	Why did you leave school when you did? tick all the reasons that applied	
ysclulu to		I did not think I could get any became results at school .	petter
501494		I needed the money from a job	
ysclu9v		I had all the O grades needed for job or course I wanted .	the
		I was fed up with school \dots .	
		I wanted to start a particular jour I had the chance	ob while
		I wanted to join the Youth Traini Scheme	ing
		My parents advised me to leave so)************************************
		I felt I would prefer life at wor college to life at school	k or
		I wanted to get a job and be self-supporting	
ysclumu	7.	Which of these was the <u>most</u> important rea <u>underline</u> it on the list above	

age 8	ATI	ter school	
	1.	We would like to know what you were of last October (1984).	doing at the beginning
		a.Were you <u>then</u>	tick one box
dooctv		on the Youth Training Schen	
MOOCEV		in a full-time job but not	
		unemployed and looking for	
		in full-time education but	
		doing something else?	
donowiv		b.Are you <u>now</u>	tick one box
9011000		on the Youth Training Scher	
		in a full-time job but not	
		unemployed and looking for	
		in full-time education but	
		doing something else?	
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1fjbytsv	Tr	ne next few questions are for those in raining Scheme (YTS). If you are <u>no</u> 'S please go to the next page	n a job or on the Youth <u>t</u> in a job and <u>not</u> on ,
iobsc80u	, 2.	In what type of business do you	
3		work? (eg department store, building firm)	
jobsc80v job1v jobcode		a.What is the name of your job or YTS scheme?	
job code	_V	b. Describe the actual work you do in your job or scheme	
	_		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
earning		Last week, what was your <u>take-home</u> pay from this job or scheme? <u>after stoppages</u> (eg tax and National Insurance)	fp give weekly amount
hrworku	4.	How many hours did you work last week	k in
111 0-		your job or scheme, not counting lunch breaks?	hours
Eravhrv	5.	Thinking about getting to your job or	•
trav minu		scheme last week, how long did it usually take to get there? (one-way	hours
Fravinino		journey)	mins
prefjob	6.	Would you have entered this job or	yes
110		scheme if other jobs had been easier	no
		to get?	110 ,
obbleuta	7.	Are you an apprentice?	yes
			no
Lotrainv	8.	Are you doing (or have you done) any	yes
rngyrv		training in this job or scheme? If YES:	no
trogothy		How long does (or did) the	
trngwku		training last?	yrsmthswks

Page 9	Your	courses		
anycrsev	un If <u>in</u>	e questions on this page are iversities or training centry you have started any course cluding those for YTS, pleas not, please go to the next p	tes. since leaving s se answar the qu	chool,
		Please give details of any co If you have started a program modules, (sometimes known as answer about your main area	nme of National : 16+ or SCOTVEC	Certificate
qually to	qua o sub	SV aimed at If none write '0'		of course ect(s) studied
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		a. If you did more than one o	ourse please <u>ur</u>	derline your
yts part	-V	<pre>main course. b.Is this part of YTS?</pre>		yes 1
iusfr		Please name the institution. (eg Dundee University, Ayr College, Govan Training Centr	·e) ·····	no
Crstypev	3.	Is (or was) the course tick one box	full-time?sandwich?block release?	2
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CLZEWAN		low long does (or did) the co If not known, write 'don't kn	ourse fast?	yrs
Crsstill	5. /	Are you still taking the cour	's⊖?	yes 1 no 2
guidersv	6. (Did you receive enough guidan College when choosing your co		yes <u>1</u> по <u>2</u>
	Cer	der the new Action Plan, many ctificate modules (sometimes dules).	courses now in known as 16+ o	clude National r SCOTVEC
modknow	J 7. [Does y <u>our</u> course include any of these modules?	по	
nndpassv	8. }	low many modules have you bee since leaving school? If none		
nmdallv	ł	dow many modules do you think nave taken by July 1985? Incl nodules you have taken, wheth	ude <u>all</u>	
		school or at college. If non		

Page 10	Job	s and YTS		
ytsoffry	1.	Have you ever been offered a place of the Youth Training Scheme (YTS)?	on	yes
refytsv	2.	Have you ever turned down the offer place on the Youth Training Scheme (YTS)?	of a	yes <u>1</u> no <u>2</u>
ytsyrflu ytsyrflu		If YES, why was this?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
ytseverv	3.	Count any scheme you are now on		
		YES 1 NO L	2 1 1	NO, please go to question 9
yts onthu.		When did you start on the YTS?		9
	4.	Why did you join the scheme? Was it because you tick a	<u>ll</u> that ap	plied
jnyts1v		couldn't find a job?		
to		liked the idea of the sc	heme?	
jnyts bu		wanted more money?		
3		wanted something to do?		
		thought it would help you	u get a jo	b?
jnytemu	5.	Which of these was the <u>most</u> importa- underline it on the list above	nt reason?	Please
goodytsu	6.	Thinking about your present or most recent scheme, do you think this scheme is well run?		yes
recytsv	7.	Would you recommend your scheme to young people?	other	yes <u>1</u>
stilytsv	8.	Are you still on this scheme?		yes 2
,		If yes:		
ytsnextu		you think you will be kept on by your YTS	no	
vzdojmur	9.	How many full-time jobs (if any) has school? Don't include YTS trainees. If you haven't had a job or are sti.	hips here.	
0. 1.				jobs
Liopufra		When did you start your first		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
fjobyrv		<pre>full-time job (if any) after you left school? Don't include YTS traineeships here</pre>	year:	19

Page 11	Lo	oking ahead		
	1	On the whal		
pastloku	1.	On the whole, do you feel that the way you have spent the		very worthwhile
		past six months has been		worthwhile in some ways .
		worthwhile? tick one box		not worthwhile
dohopev	2.	In one year's time, do you <u>hope</u> to be:		a YTS trainee or on another training scheme?1
		tick one box	_	in a full-time paid job?
	•			in full-time education?
				doing full-time unpaid work looking after the home (or
				family)?
			-	doing something else?
				(please say what)
doexpu	3.	In one year's time, do you think you will actually be:	-	a YTS trainee or on another training scheme?1
		tick one box	٠ -	in a full-time paid job? 2
				in full-time education? 3
				doing full-time unpaid work looking after the home (or
				family)?
			-	unemployed and looking for work?
			-	doing something else?
				(please say what)

	4	f you are now in a <u>permanent</u> f you are <u>not</u> now in a <u>perman</u> uestions 4 and 5 below	job <u>ent</u>	, please go to the next page. job, please answer
earnexpu	4.	If you got a permanent job noweek, what do you think your would be? write as weekly take home pay	pa	ây Ép
minwagev	5.	What is the lowest weekly was which you would consider accepting a permanent job? write as weekly take home pay	ge a	£p

Page 12	rour ramily
brotheru Sisteru	1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? If none write '0'brotherssisters
staywku	2. In your <u>fourth</u> year at secondary school who did you <u>usually</u> stay with during the school week? <u>tick one box</u>
	mother and father 1 rather only
staynowu	3. Who do you stay with now? Please underline on the list above
givekoepu	 Who do you stay with now? Please <u>underline</u> on the list above How much did you give toward board fp and keep last week? ('dig money') give weekly amount If nothing write '0'
mumnows V	5. Please tell us about your mother and father. tick one box for your mother and one for your father Are they now
	in full-time paid employment? 1 1 1in part-time paid employment? 2 2
· •	unemployed and looking for work? 3
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	retired?
	full-time working in the home?
	unable to work (eg disabled)?6
	dead?
	6. Please tell us about your parents' (or step-parents') jobs. (If they are not working at the moment, please tell us about the most recent job each has held.)
numsc80U L0822bb	a.In what type of business do they
numjoblu Ladjoblu	b.What is the name of the job? (eg shop assistant, teacher) Please
muncode V dad code V	c.Please describe briefly what kind
mummpEsu dad mptsu	7. Are your mother and father yes
mum schlu dad schlu	8. How old were your mother 15 years old or less
)	tick one box)for each don't know

Thank you very much for filling in this questionnaire. Next year, we may wish to contact you again, to see how you are getting on. We do hope you'll help us again then. Please could you answer the questions below?

1.	Are your name and address on the label of this questionnaire correct?	yes
	If NO, please write in the correct details here.	
		Postcode
	Please write in the name and address of a person (a relative, if possible)	••••••
	who lives at an address different from yours, who will always know where to get in touch with you.	
		Postcode

Would you like to tell us more about yourself, in your own words?

What has life been like since you left the fourth year? What things have you found difficult about looking for a job or a place at college? Do you feel that you've had enough help? Do you think you've made the right decision about leaving school?

Have you thought about going on the Youth Training Scheme? Do you think this scheme is worthwhile? Does it help young people to find jobs? Does it help them in other ways? Is it better or worse than staying on at school or going to college?

We will read very carefully what you write here.