Scottish Young People's Survey 1985

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

Questionnaire version: Q2

(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.

frehoku	1.	On the whole, do you feel your <u>fourt</u> year at school was worthwhile?	<u>h</u> yes <u>1</u>
Eruant2u	2.	in your fourth year ? tick one box	a lesson here and there
ptjblethv	Э.	Did you have a part-time job in term time, during your fourth year at school?	yes <u>1</u>
		he next section is about the work you he exams you took.	did in <u>fourth</u> year and
VOCEXAMV	4.	While you were in <u>fourth</u> year did you as CSEs (Certificate of Secondary & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? Please <u>don't</u> count your 0 grades or	Education), RSAs, City
		YES 1 NO If YES: Please write down the name of each qualification you studied for an exam you took. Please don't list of levels. We will ask about these	nd the result of any to the sour of grades or the sour of the sour of the source of th
Subjects obstiguels obstigreds		subject studied type of qualification See Recha othrsubj	'exam not sat')
wkextryu	5.	Some schools arrange for their pupil take courses at college while they are still at school (eg link course taster courses). Did you ever go on a course like thin your fourth year?	ls to yes
linkersv	6.	Some schools run 'work experience' schemes: that is, short periods of unpaid work with an employer. Did you ever do this type of work experience while you were at school	yes., <u>1</u> no <u>2</u>

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See rec36_So There are two parts to Part 1 is about your s	this pag	ae.	l and fourth year.	Part 2 is	about the	exams you too
PART 1 SUBJECTS			PART 2 FOURTH	YEAR EXAMS		
Go through the list of 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 rade in i	:
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84 PE (Physical Education) 16 RE (Religious Education)	3rd 🗍	4th				
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53 Hathematics	3rd	4th 📙	Hathematics	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCOEn
63 Chemistry	3rd	4th	Chemistry	sat prelim	sat O	ASCDEn
68 Physics	3rd 🗌	4th 🛄	Physics	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCOEn
62 Biology	3rd	4th 🔲	Biology	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCOEn
61 Anatomy, Physiology and Health	3rd 🗌	tth 📗	APH	sat prelim	sat 0	A В С О Е п
13 Geography	3rd	4th	Geography	sat prelim	sat o 🗍	ABCDEn
14 History	3rd	ten 🗌	History	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
15 Modern Studies	3rd 🗌	4th	Hodern Studies	sat prelim	sat 0	ABCDEn
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30 Accounting	3rd	4th 🗌	Accounting	sat prelim	sat o	ABCDEn
Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects			Other subjects you took for exams	· • •	است. ل	
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Page 3	Sta	aying on	
S5 frendu	1.	In your <u>fourth</u> year, did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?	yes1
burskny	2.	Did you know that it is possible to receive a grant for staying on in your fifth year at school (called a 'Higher School Bursary')?	yes 1
burs appu	3.	grant? Applied, but was grant	or grant1 s not offered confered grant. 3
Startsv	4.	Did you start a <u>fifth</u> year at school? YES 1 NO 2 $\longrightarrow I_{2}$	· · NO, please go to page 6
	Ţ	<u>f YES, please answer the rest of the question</u>	ns on this page
bursyn	5.	Did you receive a grant for staying on at school? If yes:	yes <u>1</u>
		Would you have stayed on at school if you had not received such a grant?	yes1
ysthly to	6. ප	Why did you start a fifth year? tick <u>all</u> the reasons that I planned to do subjects for Higher	·s
J		I wanted to get more or better 0-gr	
		fourth year	1 1
		I enjoyed school life	
		I was too young to enter the job or course I'd chosen	1 1
		I hadn't decided on my future educator or career	} [
		I had always assumed I would start fifth year	1 1
		Because my friends were staying on	
		I thought that by getting better qualifications I'd improve prospects	doj vmy doj vm

y SEMMy 7. Which of these was the most important reason? Please underline it on the list above

Page 4 Fifth year subjects

Now, please go through the list again. For each subject you had lessons in, in your fifth year, tick the box to show which qualification (if any) you were studying for.

Please check you have included all the subjects you started

to study in the fifth year, even those you dropped.

Page 5	Making	plans		
reflct5v	on in	flection, do you think that to the fifth year was the r ion for you?		yes
guidSthv	schoo.	ou receive enough guidance a l when choosing courses for year?		yes
lookjobv		you seriously been looking f time job during fifth year?	for a	yes1
Ehnkleuv	consi	eriously are you dering leaving school e this summer's SCE ?	fairly serionsl	ously2 Ly3 ady left4
•		t few questions are for thos have left school, please go		
pland stu	5. What	do you <u>plan</u> to do when you :	leave school?)
1		start a job?		<u></u> _
		study for a degree?		
•		start a full-time course of degree?	other than fo	or a
		something else?		
		(please say what)		
			• • • • • • • • • • • • •	
jobfixzu intend6u		you a full-time job fixed or when you leave?		yes
intend 60		ou intend to stay on for a year at school?	no	
	Ţf	YES:		
	· In	n sixth year do you plan to	study for	•
	S	see rec43_schlqual	no	unsure
		0 grades?	2	3
		Highers?1	<u> </u>	3
		Certificate of Sixth Year Studies (CSYS)?	2	3
		other exams? (please say which)		
			2	3

The next few questions are about making applications for

	college or university cour you have considered apply:				what
Coursequ	1. Have you thought about a August? Include part-time courses YES 1 If YES:			·If NO, ple	
	We list below different type part-time courses).	pes of cour	ses (i	ncluding	
	Please tick any for which you have considered applied included the constant of	lying ding applic <u>conditiona</u> getting cer	l plac tain e	<u>e</u> xam passes)
		considered a	pplied	conditional place	un- conditional place
apuning	University: degree courses				
apuning apceddqu apcedtqu	College of Education: degree courses teacher training diploma				
apcedogu	other courses (eg Social Work)				
apdfegv	Colleges of Further Education, Central Institutions & other colleges: degree courses				
apafequ	other advanced courses (eg HND, HNC)				
apofequ	other courses (eg OND, ONC, Highers)				
apoursqu apothrqu	Nursing or Physiotherapy training Other education or training				
	 When you <u>first</u> started a did you <u>most</u> want to do? Please name the course enter: 				which
qulmstq submsta	a. <u>Course</u> : please give course leads, and the qualification	e subject(s)		
instmq1	b. <u>Institution</u> : (eg Gla	sgow			

University, Napier College)

tun stay regd styv	V	Where are you now staying? (If a student you stay during term) name of town or village	
		Have you left school?	
			If NO, please go t page 10
mthleft yrlefty			onth:
leaurtu	Э.	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 be exam results at school	tter
ysclu9v		I needed the money from a job	
J		I had all the O grades needed for job or course I wanted	
		I was fed up with school	
		I wanted to start a particular job I had the chance \dots \dots	while
		I wanted to join the Youth Trainin Scheme	g
		My parents advised me to leave sch	
		I felt I would prefer life at work college to life at school.	or
		I wanted to get a job and be self-supporting	<u> </u>
sclumu	7.	Which of these was the <u>most</u> important reas <u>underline</u> it on the list above	

		
	1. We would like to know what you were of last October (1984).	doing at the beginning
dooctv	a.Were you <u>then</u>	tick one box
	on the Youth Training Sche	eme (YTS)?
	in a full-time job but not	YTS?
*	unemployed and looking for	wcrk?
	in full-time education but	
	doing something else?	
donows		tick one box
	on the Youth Training Sche	me (YTS)?
	in a full-time job but not	
	unemployed and looking for	
·	in full-time education but	
	doing something else?	
ifjbytsv	The next few questions are for those i Training Scheme (YTS). If you are <u>no</u> YTS please go to the next page	n a job or on the Youth
jobsc80v	2. In what type of business do you	
O	work? (eg department store, building firm)	
joblv	a.What is the name of your job or YTS scheme?	
jobcode	b.Describe the actual work you do in your job or scheme	
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earnav	3. Last week, what was your pay from this job or scheme?	£p
	<u>before stoppages</u> (eg tax and National Insurance)	give weekly amount
hrworky	4. How many hours did you work last wee	k in
	your job or scheme, not counting lunch breaks?	hours
traucstu	5. Thinking about getting to your job or scheme last week, how much did it cost?	fp give weekly amount
prefjolou	6. Would you have entered this job or	ves 1
6:017	scheme if other jobs had been easier to get?	yes
apprentu	7. Are you an apprentice?	yes
	9 Ama was date of the control of the	[" " - " "]
dotrains	8. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job or scheme?	**************************************
Erngyrv	If YES:	no <u>2</u>
fragaku	How long does (or did) the training last?	yrsmthswks

Page 9	You	ir courses			
anycrsev	u <i>I</i> <u>i</u>	he questions on this page are niversities or training cent f you have started any course ncluding those for YTS, please go to the next	tres. e since lea: ase answer	ving school.	
	1.	Please give details of any of If you have started a programodules, (sometimes known a answer about your main area	nme of Nati	ional Certific	ate
qually to subjily to Ismainly	qu su bo	alsv <u>aimed at</u> If none write '0' bjsv Ismainsv	or mai	name of course n subject(s) stud	lied
		a.If you did more than one	course plea		vour
ytsport	V	<pre>main course. b.Is this part of YTS?</pre>		yes	2
instv	2.	Please name the institution. (eg Dundee University, Ayr College, Govan Training Cent		no , , .	
crstypev	3.	Is (or was) the course tick one box	sandwich	me?h?elease?	3
				art time?	
				say which)	
crseyiv crsemthu		How long does (or did) the c If not known, write 'don't k	now'	,	-
Crsstilv	5.	Are you still taking the cou	rse?		1
guidersv	6.	Did you receive enough guida college when choosing your c	nce <u>at</u> ourses?	yes no	
	Ċ€	nder the new Action Plan, man Prtificate modules (sometime odules).	y courses r s known as	now include Na 16+ or SCOTVE	tional C
nodknowi	J7 .	Does your course include any of these modules?	, no.		
ind passu	8.	How many modules have you be since leaving school? If non	en awarded e write '0	, '	
rmdallu		How many modules do you thin have taken by July 1985? Inc modules you have taken, whet school or at college. If no	lude <u>all</u> her at	in the second se	

jtsoffry 1.	Have you ever been offered a place the Youth Training Scheme (YTS)?	on	yes
2.	Here are some things people have sa Training Scheme (YTS). On balance, ti		<u>ou</u> think?
	The Youth Training Scheme Agree	Not sure	<u>Disagree</u>
ytsth kSu	helps unemployed people to find jobs 1	2	3
ytsthksv to ytsthkqv	is a source of cheap	2	3
yesunt	things to do	2	3
	is just to keep unemployment figures down	2	3
	is a useful way to get training	2	3
ytsever 3.	Have you ever <u>started</u> on the Youth Count any scheme you are now on	Training S	cheme (YTS)?
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y Esmon o	YES 1 NO	$2 \longrightarrow I f I$	NO, please go auestion
ytsyrv	If YES:		question
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	If YES: When did you start on the YTS?	month.	question
ytsstopv 4.	If YES:	month.	question9
ytsstopv 4.	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your <u>first</u> scheme?	month.	question 9 yes
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ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your <u>first</u> scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme? Thinking about your present or most	month.	question 9 yes
ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your <u>first</u> scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme?	month.	question 9 yes
ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv goodytsv 5.	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your <u>first</u> scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme? Thinking about your present or most recent scheme, do you think this scheme is well run? Would you recommend your scheme to	month. year:1	question 9 yes yes
ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv goodytsv 5. recytsv 6.	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your <u>first</u> scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme? Thinking about your present or most recent scheme, do you think this scheme is well run?	month. year:1	yesyes
ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv goodytsv 5. recytsv 6.	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your first scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme? Thinking about your present or most recent scheme, do you think this scheme is well run? Would you recommend your scheme to young people? Are you still on this scheme?	month. year:1	yesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyesyes
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ytsstopv 4. ytsylvlv goodytsv 5. recytsv 6.	If YES: When did you start on the YTS? Have you left your first scheme? If yes: Why did you leave this scheme? Thinking about your present or most recent scheme, do you think this scheme is well run? Would you recommend your scheme to young people? Are you still on this scheme? If yes: When your scheme ends, do	month. year:1	yesyesyesyesyesyesyes

Fjobmthv When did you sta full-time job (i you left school?

Page 11	Lo	oking ahead		
pastboki	<i>j</i> 1 .	On the whole, do you feel the the way you have spent the past six months has been worthwhile? tick one box	ıat	very 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? 2
				in full-time education?
				doing full-time unpaid work looking after the home (or
			family)?	
			_	doing something else?5
				(please say what)
		•		
doexpu	З.	In one year's time, do you think you will actually be:	-	a YTS trainee or on another training scheme?1
		accdarry be:		in a full-time paid job?2
		tick one box	-	in full-time education?
			-	doing full-time unpaid work looking after the home (or
				family)?
	-		-	unemployed and looking for work?
			-	doing something else?
				(please say what)
	Ι٦	f you are now in a <u>permanent</u> f you are <u>not</u> now in a <u>perman</u> Jestions 4 and 5 below	job <u>ent</u>	, please go to the next page job, please answer
earnex2v	4.	If you got a permanent job n week, what do you think your would be? write as weekly pay before stoppages (eg tax and Nation Insurance)	sq.	y £p
minwage2	ე ნ.	What is the lowest weekly wa which you would consider accepting a permanent job? write as weekly pay before stoppages (eg tax and Nation Insurance)		£p

Page 12	You	ır family	р
brotheru Sisteru	1,	How many brothers and sisters do you have? If none write '0'brotherssister	s
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	
staynows	Э,	Who do you stay with now? Please underline on the list abov	е
Staynows	4.	How much did you give toward board fp and keep last week? ('dig money') give weekly amount If nothing write '0'	
mumnowsl	5.	Please tell us about your mother and father. tick one box for your mother and one for your father	
Danie C		Are they now <u>mother</u> father	
		in full-time paid employment?	
		in part-time paid employment?2	
		unemployed and looking for work? 3	
		retired?	
		full-time working in the home?	
		unable to work (eg disabled)?6	
		dead?	
		don't know	
	6.	(If they are not working at the moment, please tell us about the most recent job each has held.)	
mumsc801 dadsc801		a.In what type of business do they	
		b.What is the name of the job? (eg	
mumjoblu dadjoblu		shop assistant, teacher) Please	
mum code V dad code V		c.Please describe briefly what kind	•
ŧ		mother fath	١۵.
mummpEsu dad mptsu	7.	Are your mother and father yes]
		mother fath	1e:
mumschlu	8.	How old were your mother 15 years old or less 1	
dad schlu		and father when they left school? 16 years old	
		17 years old or more 3	
		tick one box for each	I

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 1 no 2
	If NO, please write in the correct details here.		••••••
2.		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Postcode
۷.	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 do you think is important about your time at school that we haven't already asked you about? Which other things have been important, since you left the fourth year?

Have you enjoyed filling in this questionnaire? Which bits were easy to fill in, and which bits were hard? Should it be shorter or longer? Should we ask about different things?

We will read very carefully what you write here.