MCS8 Young Person
Identity & Attitudes

***IDENTITY (MCS7)

SXID
{ASK ALL}
Which of the following options best describes how you currently think of yourself?

1 Completely heterosexual / straight
2 Mainly heterosexual / straight
3 Bisexual
4 Mainly gay or lesbian
5 Completely gay or lesbian
6 Other

7 Don’t know
8 Prefer not to say

GBID
{ASK ALL}
Which of the following were you described as at birth?

1 Male
2 Female
3 Intersex

4 I prefer not to say

GNID
{ASK ALL}
Which of the following describes how you think of yourself?
Please select one answer

1 Male
2 Female
3 In another way [Please write in the box below] {VARNAME: GNIO}

4 Prefer not to say

SXAT
{ASK ALL}
{MALE AND FEMALE TEXTFILLS FROM GNID, MALE (GNID=1) FEMALE (GNID=2) OR IF GNID=3 OR GNID=4 TEXTFILL FROM BIRTH SEX (FED FORWARD)}
I have felt sexually attracted...

1...only to (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘females’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘males’) never to (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘males’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘females’)

2 More often to (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘females’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘males’), and at least once to a (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘male’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘female’)


4 More often to (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘males’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘females’), and at least once to a (IF MALE TEXTFILL: ‘female’, IF FEMALE TEXTFILL: ‘male’)


6 I have never felt sexually attracted to anyone at all

*** ETHNICITY (MCS6)***

ASK ETHE IF LIVES IN ENGLAND, [HQ.COUNTRY=1] SINGLE RESPONSE

ETHE

What is your ethnic group?

You may need to scroll down to see all the answers.

WHITE

1 English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British

2 Irish

3 Gypsy or Irish Traveller

4 Any other White background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXEW)

MIXED MULTIPLE ETHNIC GROUPS

5 White and Black Caribbean

6 White and Black African

7 White and Asian

8 Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXEM)

ASIAN/ ASIAN BRITISH

9 Indian

10 Pakistani

11 Bangladeshi

12 Chinese

13 Any other Asian background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXEA)

BLACK/ AFRICAN/ CARIBBEAN/ BLACK BRITISH

14 African

15 Caribbean
END FILTER (IF respondent in England (HQ.COUNTRY=1))

ASK ETHW IF LIVES IN WALES, [HQ.COUNTRY=2] SINGLE RESPONSE

What is your ethnic group?

You may need to scroll down to see all the answers.

**WHITE**

1. Welsh/ English/ Scottish/ Northern Irish/ British
2. Irish
3. Gypsy or Irish Traveller
4. Any other White background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXWW)

**MIXED MULTIPLE ETHNIC GROUPS**

5. White and Black Caribbean
6. White and Black African
7. White and Asian
8. Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXWM)

**ASIAN/ ASIAN BRITISH**

9. Indian
10. Pakistani
11. Bangladeshi
12. Chinese
13. Any other Asian background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXWA)

**BLACK/ AFRICAN/ CARIBBEAN/ BLACK BRITISH**

14. African
15. Caribbean
16. Any other Black/ African/ Caribbean background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXWB)

**OTHER ETHNIC GROUP**

17. Arab
18. Other ethnic group (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXWO)

END FILTER (If respondent in Wales (HQ.COUNTRY=2))
ASK ETHS IF LIVES IN SCOTLAND, [HQ.COUNTRY=3] SINGLE RESPONSE

ETHS

What is your ethnic group?

You may need to scroll down to see all the answers.

WHITE
1. Scottish
2. Other British
3. Irish
4. Gypsy or Irish Traveller
5. Polish
6. Any other White ethnic group (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSW)

MIXED MULTIPLE ETHNIC GROUPS
7. Any mixed or multiple ethnic groups (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSM)

ASIAN, ASIAN SCOTTISH OR ASIAN BRITISH
8. Pakistani/Pakistani Scottish/Pakistani British
9. Indian/Indian Scottish/Indian British
10. Bangladeshi/Bangladeshi Scottish/Bangladeshi British
11. Chinese/Chinese Scottish/Chinese British
12. Any other Asian background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSA)

AFRICAN
14. Any other African (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSF)

CARIBBEAN OR BLACK
15. Caribbean/Caribbean Scottish/Caribbean British
16. Black/Black Scottish/Black British
17. Any other Caribbean or Black background (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSB)

OTHER ETHNIC GROUP
18. Arab, Arab Scottish or Arab British
19. Any other ethnic group (PLEASE WRITE IN) (Variable name=EXSO)

END FILTER (IF respondent in Scotland (HQ.COUNTRY=3))
ASK ETHN IF LIVES IN NORTHERN IRELAND, [HQ.COUNTRY=4] SINGLE RESPONSE ETHN
What is your ethnic group?
*You may need to scroll down to see all the answers.*

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**END FILTER (IF respondent in Northern Ireland (HQ.COUNTRY=4))**
***ATTITUDES

OPPO-OPEN (MCS7)
{ASK ALL, ASK AS A GRID}
The next set of questions is a list of opinions on different topics. Select the button that corresponds with how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

GRID ROWS
OPPO None of the political parties would do anything to benefit me
OPJO Having almost any job is better than being unemployed
OPCH Couples who have children should not separate
OPAB All women should have the right to choose to have an abortion if they wish
OPRA I would not mind if a family from another race moved in next door to me
OPRE I would not mind if a family from another religion moved in next door to me
OPEN Preserving the environment is more important than any other political issue today

GRID COLS
1 Strongly agree
2 Agree
3 Neither agree or disagree
4 Disagree
5 Strongly disagree

POTENTIAL POLITICAL ATTITUDES (BSA):
Left–right scale
Government should redistribute income from the better off to those who are less well off [Redistrb]
Big business benefits owners at the expense of workers [BigBusnN]
Ordinary working people do not get their fair share of the nation’s wealth [Wealth]
There is one law for the rich and one for the poor [RichLaw]
Management will always try to get the better of employees if it gets the chance [Indust4]

Libertarian–authoritarian scale
Young people today don’t have enough respect for traditional British values. [TradVals]
People who break the law should be given stiffer sentences. [StifSent]
For some crimes, the death penalty is the most appropriate sentence. [DeathApp]
Schools should teach children to obey authority. [Obey]
The law should always be obeyed, even if a particular law is wrong. [WrongLaw]
Censorship of films and magazines is necessary to uphold moral standards. [Censor]

Welfarism scale
The welfare state encourages people to stop helping each other. [WelfHelp]
The government should spend more money on welfare benefits for the poor, even if it leads to higher taxes. [MoreWelf]
Around here, most unemployed people could find a job if they really wanted one. [UnempJob]
Many people who get social security don’t really deserve any help. [SocHelp]
Most people on the dole are fiddling in one way or another. [DoleFidl]
If welfare benefits weren’t so generous, people would learn to stand on their own two feet. [WelfFeet]
Cutting welfare benefits would damage too many people’s lives. [DamLives]
The creation of the welfare state is one of Britain’s proudest achievements. [ProudWlf]

*Suppose the government had to choose between the three options on this card. Which do you think it should choose?*

• Reduce taxes and spend less on health, education and social benefits
• Keep taxes and spending on these services at the same level as now
• Increase taxes and spend more on health, education and social benefits

**National identity**
Which, if any, of the following best describes how you see yourself?
(with equivalent questions for each of the 4 component countries)
 English not British
 More English than British
 Equally English and British
 More British than English
 British not English

**European identity question**
(wording to be agreed)

**ATTWWO (NS AGE 31/32)**
{ASK ALL}
It is less important for women to go out to work than it is for men

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree

VARLAB: Importance of women at work

*(Gender role attitudes) (MCS6)*

**ROLE**
Men and women should do the same jobs around the house

SCALE FOR ATTITUDE GRID:
1  Strongly agree
2  Agree
3  Disagree
4  Strongly disagree
**Political Identity (BSA)**
Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a supporter of any one political party? [Yes/No]

[If “No”/“Don’t know”]
Do you think of yourself as a little closer to one political party than to the others? [Yes/No]

[If “Yes” at either question or “No”/“Don’t know” at 2nd question]
Which one?/If there were a general election tomorrow, which political party do you think you would be most likely to support?

Conservative; Labour; Liberal Democrat; Scottish National Party; Plaid Cymru; Green Party; UK Independence Party (UKIP)/Veritas; British National Party (BNP)/National Front; RESPECT/Scottish Socialist Party (SSP)/Socialist Party; Other party; Other answer; None; Refused to say]

***VALUES FOR CHILDREN (MCS1)***

**OBRE-INDE**
{ASK ALL}

**GRID**
Which of the following values do you think it’s important to instil in a child?

**OBRE** Obedience and respect for authority  
**NEGO** The art of negotiation  
**RESP** Respect for elders  
**WESC** Doing well at school  
**REVA** Religious values  
**INDE** Independence

1. Yes  
2. No  
3. Don’t know  

**POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL QS:**  
.Consumerism  
.Intergenerational unfairness  
.More on attitudes towards the environment  
.‘Tribal’ allegiance