



Manchester Pupil Parliament

A pupil survey about 'being safe in Manchester'



What is Manchester Pupil Parliament and what is this survey?



Manchester Pupil Parliament are a group of Rights Respecting Schools which promotes pupil leadership opportunities, enabling children to develop valuable communication, organisation and debating skills through key roles of responsibility and new experiences. We aim to promote pupil voice and raise awareness of 42 children's rights (Convention of the Rights of the Child), linking children's rights to what is happening in the world today. We want to support and guide all our children to become the best possible citizens so they can become the best that they can be (Article 29 of Convention of the Rights of the Child)!

There are currently 19 primary and secondary schools who are members of Manchester Pupil Parliament and MPP is looking to increase its membership.

The Pupil Parliamentarians collaborated on identifying the major headlines and created the following questions for the survey. The headlines are:

- 1. Travel in Manchester - Your right to be safe (Article 19)**
- 2. Traffic near your school - Your right to be safe (Article 19)**
- 3. Living in your community - Your right to be safe (Article 19)**
- 4. Mental Health and Anxiety - Your right to be safe (Article 19)**
- 5. The voice for children - Your right to be listened to (Article 12)**

The pupils from MPP schools participated in a survey about 'Being safe in Manchester'. There were 1140 surveys completed that provides comprehensive data about how children feel about being safe in Manchester.



Analysis of Pupil Survey



Key findings

Key findings highlighted in yellow – potential discussion points

1. Travel in Manchester - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

- * 92.1% of pupils said they feel safe all or some of the time when travelling with a grown up
- * 14% of pupils said they do not feel safe travelling from one place to another in Manchester with a friend
- * 41.8 % of pupils said they do not feel safe travelling from one place to another in Manchester on their own
- * 18% of pupils said they do not feel safe around moving cars and traffic in Manchester
- * 90.8% of pupils said they think Manchester needs cycle lanes

2. Traffic near your school - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

- * 69.5% of pupils said they walk to school
- * 53.1% of pupils said they travel to school by car
- * 17.9% of pupils of pupils said they think there is a problem with parking outside their school

3. Living in your community - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

- * 60.8% of pupils said they feel safe all the time walking around their neighbourhood
- * 87.9% of pupils said they live in a community that is happy, friendly (yes and most of the time)
- * 87.2% of pupils said they live in a community where people nice to them (yes and most of the time)
- * 52.5% of pupils said that outside of school, no one talks about children's rights
- * 84.8% of pupils said that they live in a community that respects their children's rights (yes and most of the time)
- * 69.3% of pupils said they play in their local park (yes and most of the time)
- * 79.6% of pupils said they feel safe in their local park
- * 17.9% of pupils said they have not got a safe play space that they can go to when they are not at home
- * 88.6% of pupils said they feel safe at school (yes and most of the time)

- * 31.8% of pupils said they do not live in an environment that is clean and litter free
- * 41.1% of pupils said that Manchester is not clean and litter free
- * 63.5% of pupils said that they think Manchester is a safe city to live in (scoring 7 or above out of 10)

4. Mental Health and Anxiety - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

- * 51.6% of pupils said they are very or slightly nervous around unexpected noises
- * 50.6% of pupils said they are slightly or very nervous walking past groups of older children
- * 71% of pupils said they had not been threatened by groups of children outside school

5. The voice for children - Your right to be listened to (Article 12)

- * 87.8% of pupils said they feel listened to by their family / carers
- * 70.6% of pupils said they feel listened to by their class teacher
- * 11.6% of pupils said they feel listened to by Politicians
- * 35.9% of pupils said they feel listened to by the police
- * 42% of pupils said they feel listened to by Health staff
- * Pupils said they feel safest (popular responses): at home, at school, at mosque, with family
- * Pupils said they don't feel safest (popular responses): in the park, outside local shops, alleyways, on the streets because of traffic, on the streets because of older children, around older children, around groups of young adults

APPENDIX (The survey completed by 1140 MPP pupils)

Instructions for the pupils on how to complete the survey



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Pupil survey for 'Our Year'



Manchester City Council are celebrating Manchester's children and young people this year with a whole city approach to help them shape a future that's safe, happy, healthy and successful for all children.

A year of action, together, to create more activities, opportunities, experiences and support for our children and young people in Manchester. Manchester Pupil Parliament would like to ask you a few questions about what you think about living in Manchester.

Please read each question carefully on how you feel about being safe in Manchester. Once we have collected all the results from the survey, we will be presenting our findings to Manchester City Council at The Safeguarding Conference on 6th July 2022.

If you are not sure how to answer a question, please ask an adult for support.

Thank you for taking time to complete the survey.

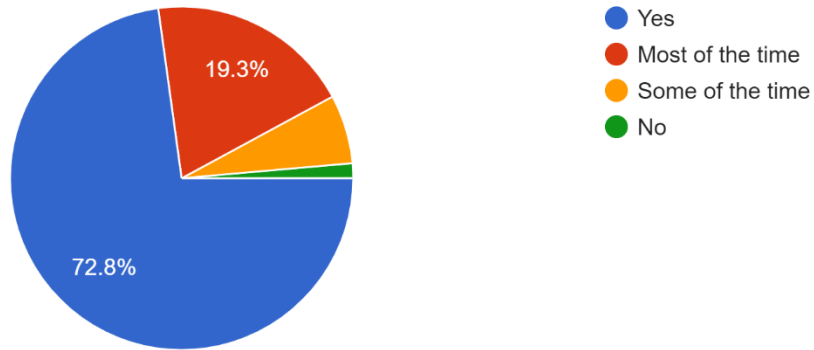
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1. Travel in Manchester - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

Question 1

Do you feel safe travelling from one place to another in Manchester with a grown up?

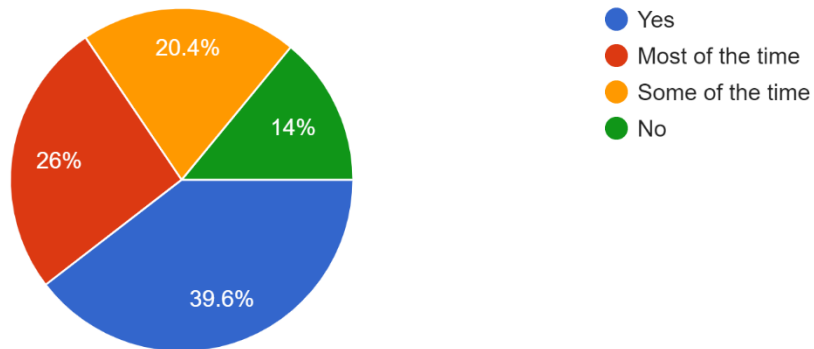
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Question 2

Do you feel safe travelling from one place to another in Manchester with a friend?

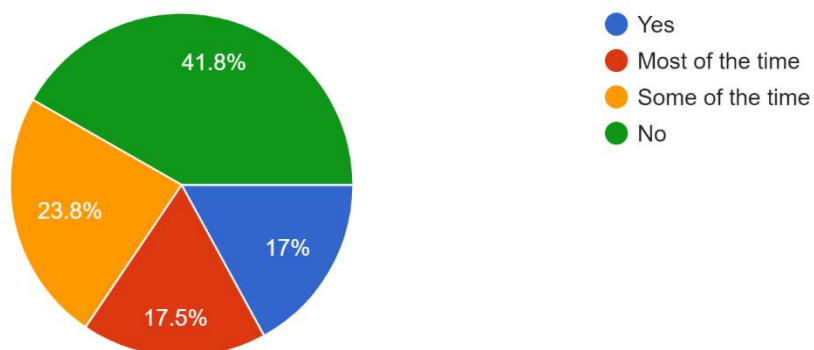
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Question 3

Do you feel safe travelling from one place to another in Manchester on your own?

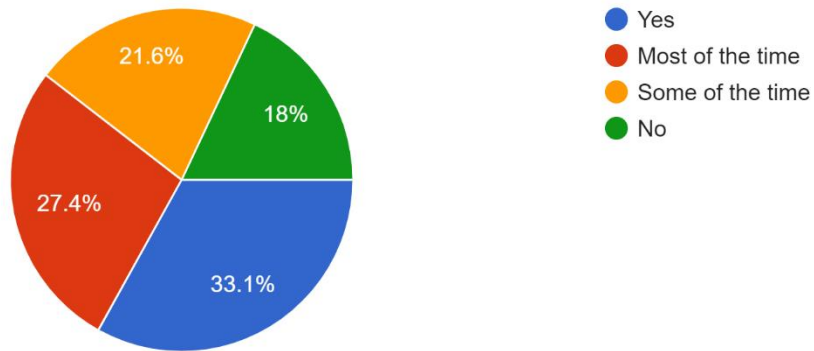
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Question 4

Do you feel safe around moving cars and traffic in Manchester?

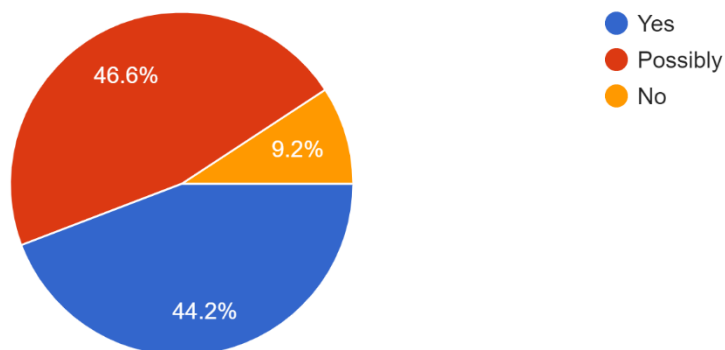
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Question 5

Do you think we need more cycle paths in Manchester?

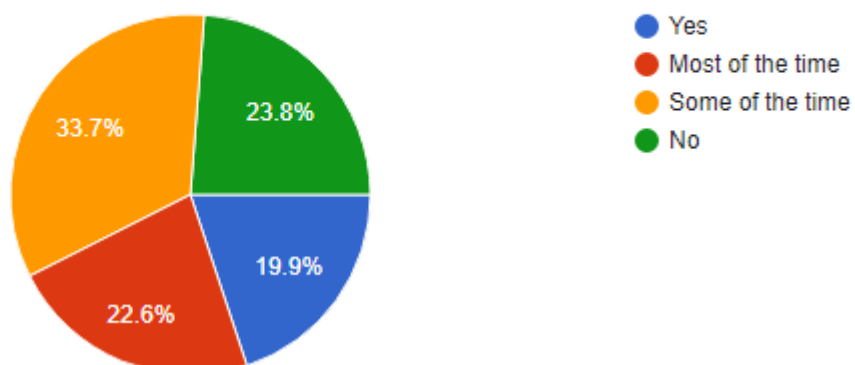
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Question 6

Is there a lot of traffic in your area?

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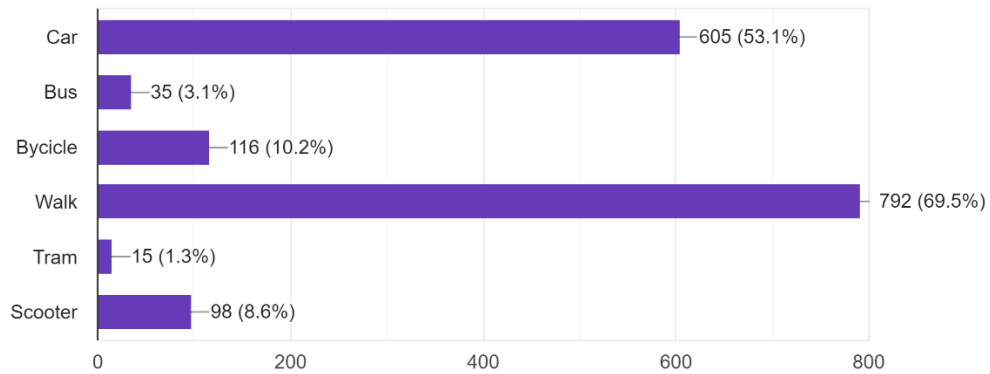


2. Traffic near your school - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

Question 7

How do you travel to school? Please tick the boxes that describe this

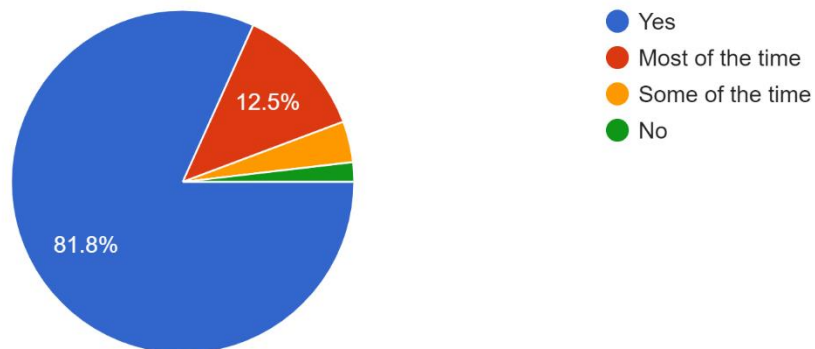
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Question 8

Do you feel safe travelling to school?

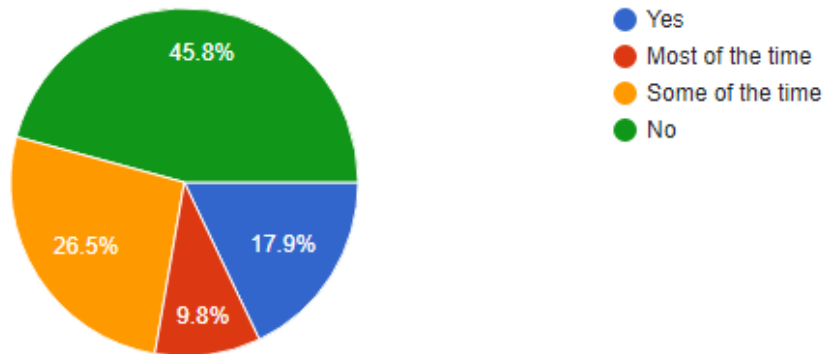
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Question 9

Are there problems with parking outside your school at the start and end of the day (e.g. parents parking on double yellow lines)?

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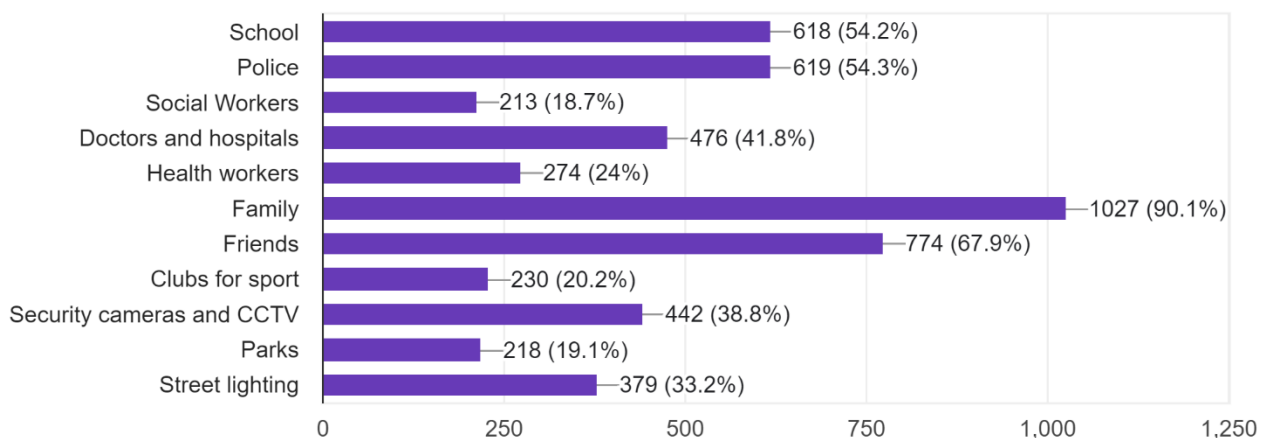


3. Living in your community - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

Question 10

What makes you feel safe living in Manchester? Please tick any of the boxes that make you feel safe

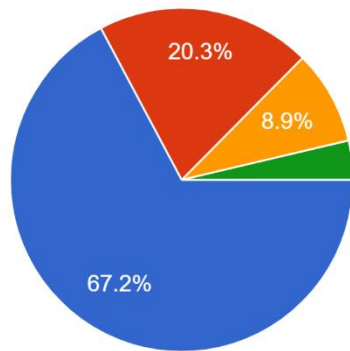
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Question 11

Do you live in a happy, friendly community?

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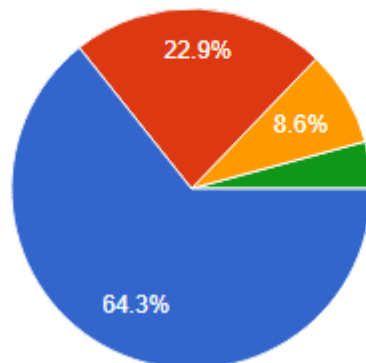


- Yes
- Most of the time
- Some of the time
- No

Question 12

Are people nice to you where you live?

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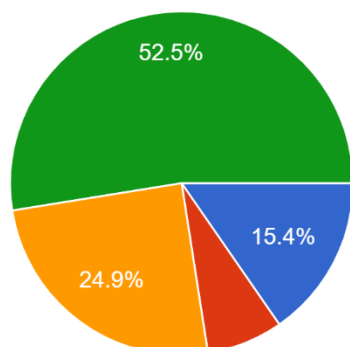


- Yes
- Most of the time
- Some of the time
- No

Question 13

Outside of school, does anyone talk to you about children's rights e.g. at a sports club, at a place of worship?

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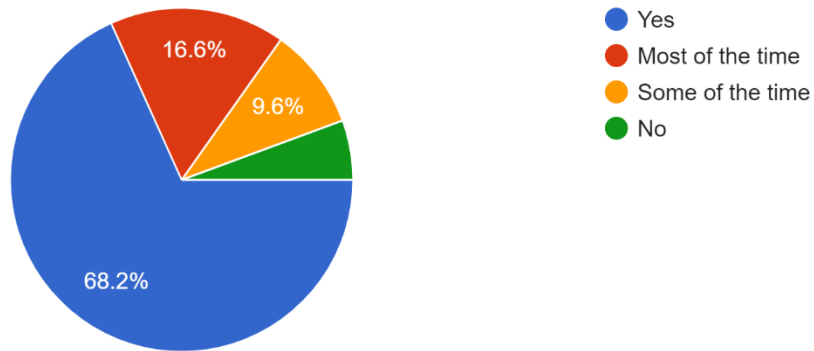


- Yes
- Most of the time
- Some of the time
- No

Question 14

Do you live in a community that respects your children's rights?

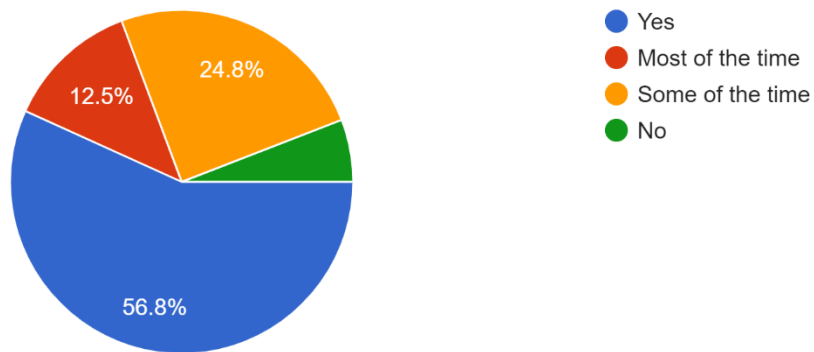
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Question 15

Do you play in your local park?

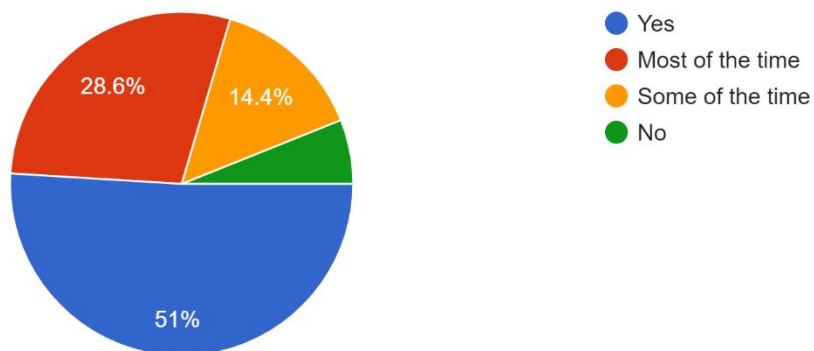
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Question 16

Do you feel safe in your local park?

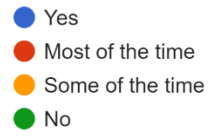
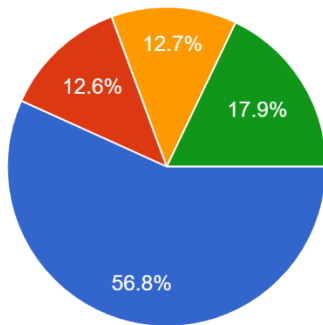
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Question 17

Do you have a safe play space that you can go to when you are not at home e.g. side street, friend's garden?

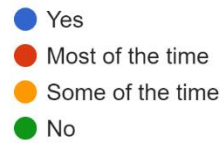
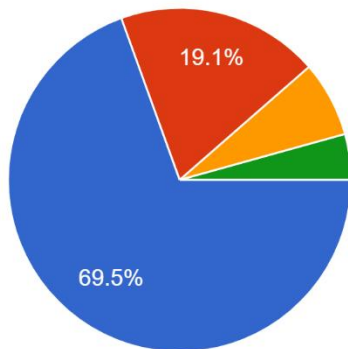
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Question 18

Do you feel safe at school?

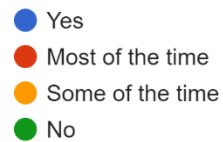
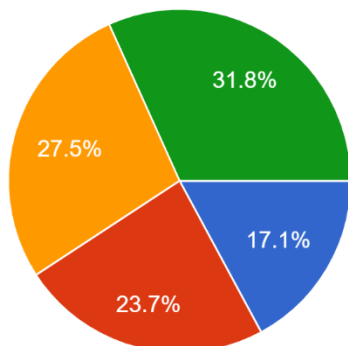
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Question 19

Do you think that the environment where you live is clean and litter free?

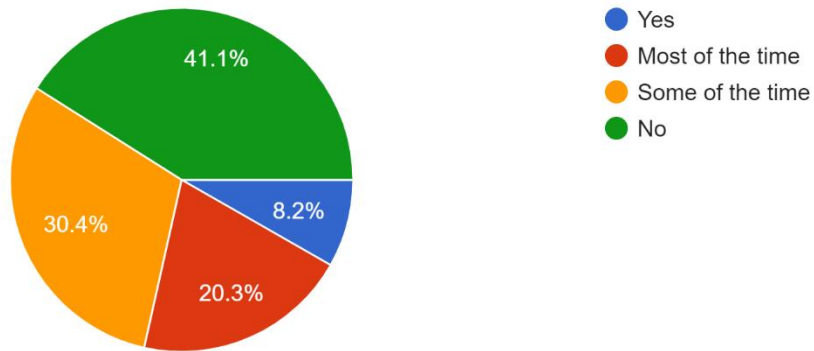
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Question 20

Do you think that Manchester is clean and litter free?

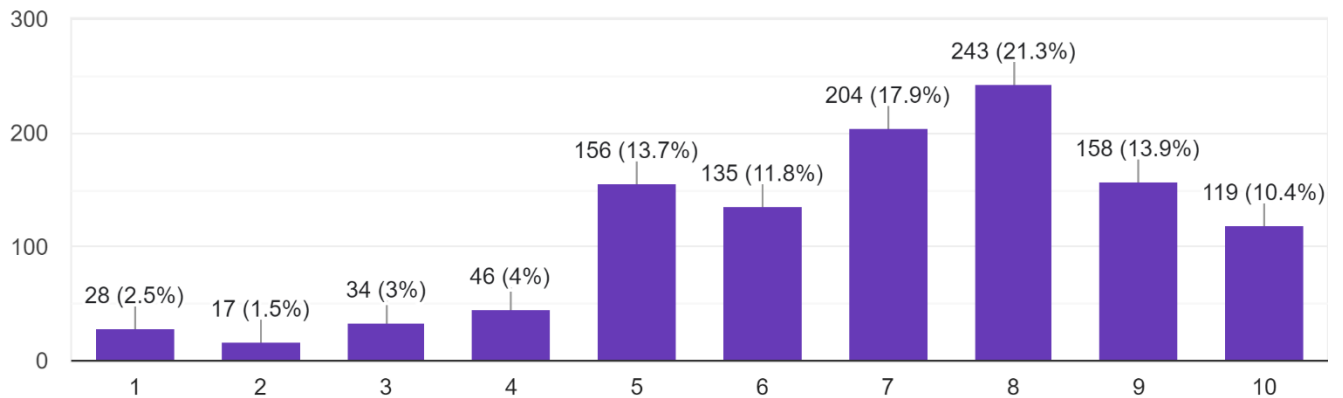
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Question 21

Do you think Manchester is a safe city to live in (score out of 10)? 1 is strongly disagree to 10 is strongly agree

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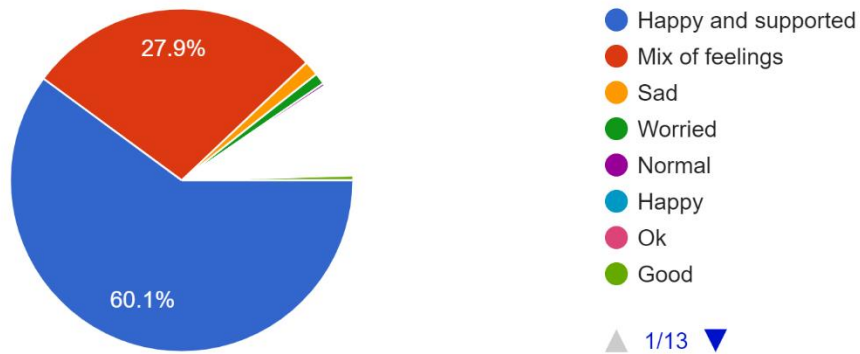


4. Mental Health and Anxiety - Your right to be safe (Article 19)

Question 22

How does being in friendships group make you feel (tick one box)?

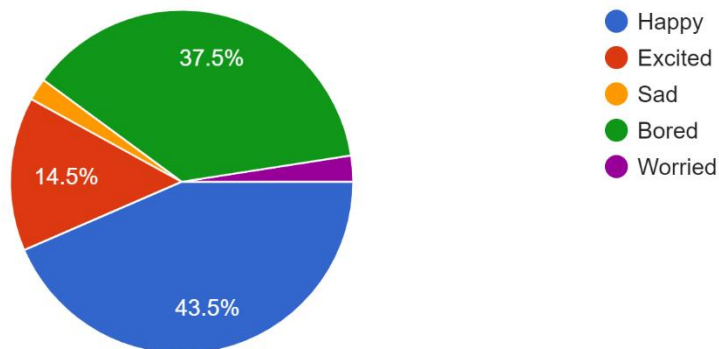
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Question 23

How does learning in school make you feel (please tick one box)?

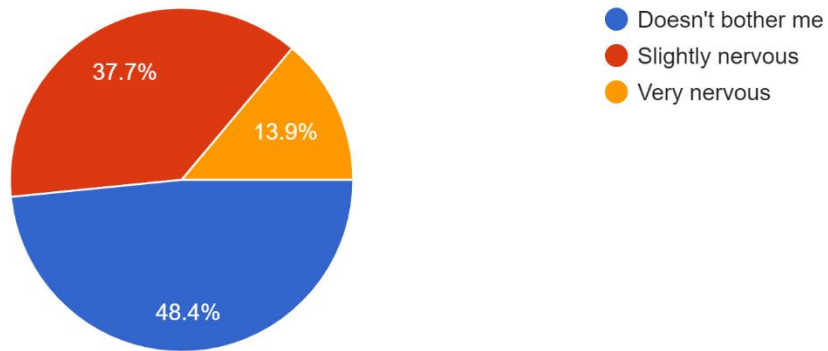
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Question 24

How do unexpected noises make you feel e.g. sirens, traffic (please tick one box)?

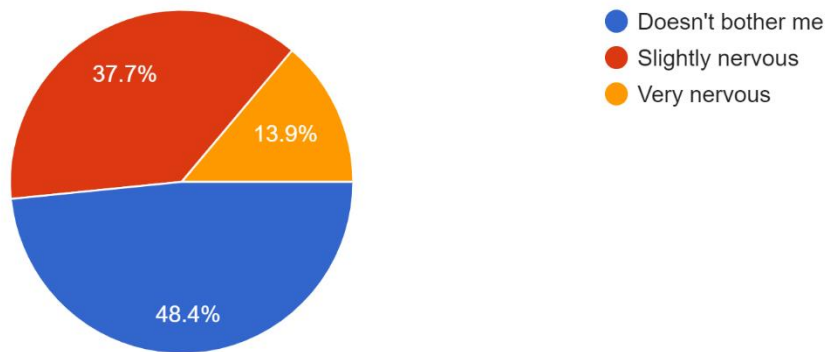
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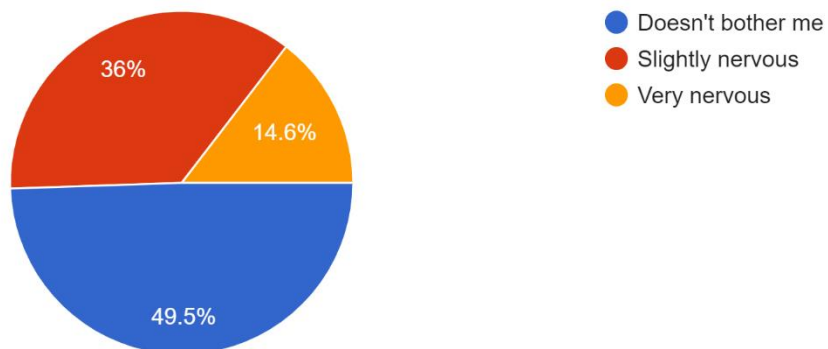
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Question 26

How does walking past groups of older children make you feel (Please tick one box)?

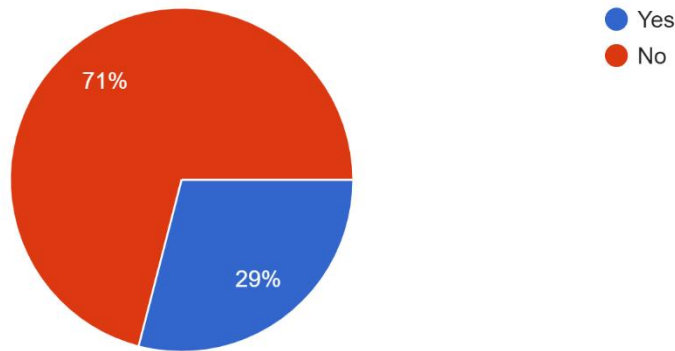
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Question 27

Have you been threatened by groups of children outside of school?

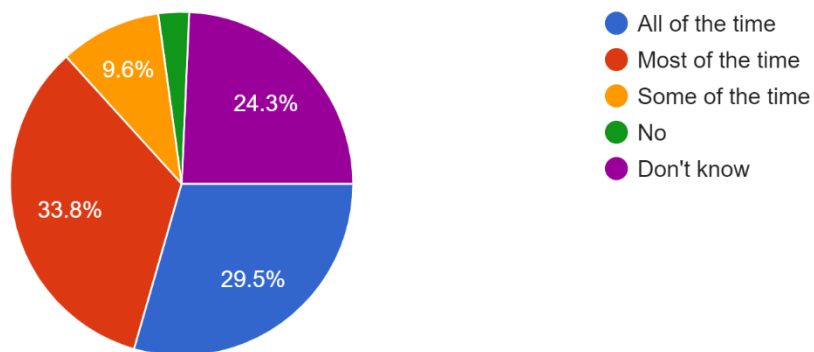
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Question 28

Do you think children who have learning disabilities are supported in Manchester?

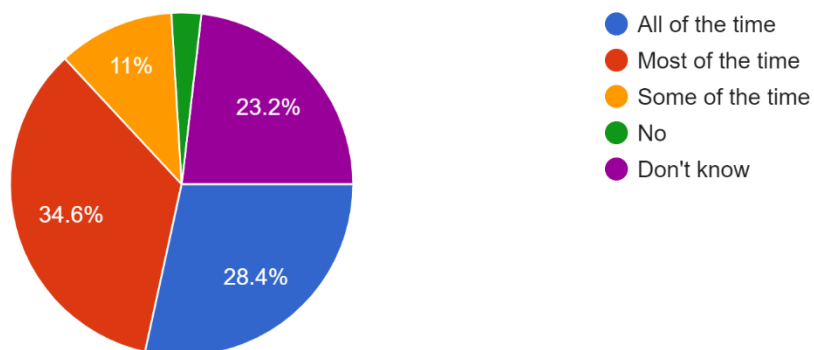
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Question 29

Do you think children who have physical disabilities are supported in Manchester?

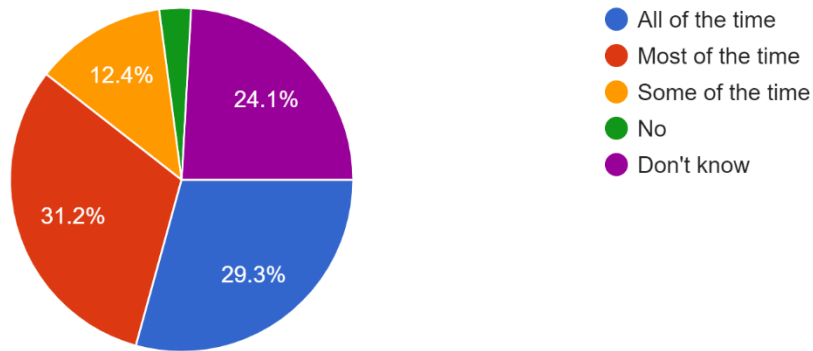
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Question 30

Do you think children who have autism (neurodiverse) are supported in Manchester?

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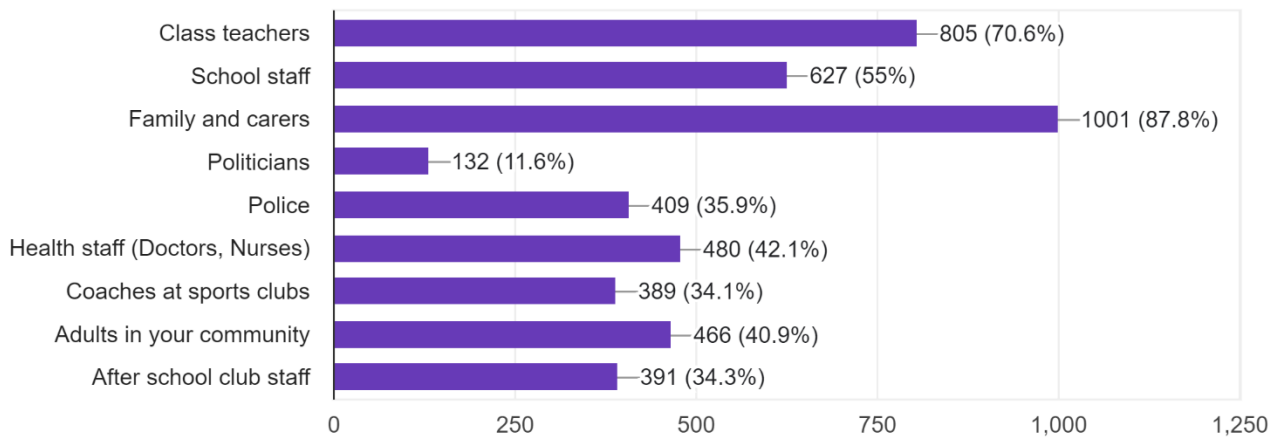


5. The voice for children - Your right to be listened to (Article 12)

Question 31

Do you feel listened to by (tick the boxes that apply):

1,140 responses



Question 32

Where do you feel safest (write no more than 5 words)? Summary of the most popular responses were:

At home

At school

At mosque

With my family

Question 33

Is there anywhere you don't feel safe (write no more than 5 words)? Summary of the most popular responses were:

In the park

Outside local shops

Alleyways

On the streets because of traffic

On the streets because of older children

Around older children

Around groups of young adults