

Suggested survey questions about 15 and 30 hours free childcare

Current childcare arrangements

Q.1 Does your child take up some or all of their 15 hours free early years education?

Yes

No

Q.2 Other than yourself or your partner, who else currently provides childcare?
(Please tick all that apply)

	To cover work	Other reasons
Preschool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Childminder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist provider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holiday playscheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Before or after school club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home childcarer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agency or self-employed nanny or <i>au pair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family member of friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal assistant or buddy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other/none of the above	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please give details:

Q.3 In the future, other than yourself or your partner, would you like to use the following types of childcare, if available? (Please tick all that apply)

	Yes	No
Preschool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Nursery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Childminder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist provider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holiday playscheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Before or after school club	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home childcarer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agency or self-employed nanny or <i>au pair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family member of friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal assistant or buddy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If 'Other' please state below

If you have answered 'No' to any of the above, why would you not use them?

Choosing a Childcare Service

Q.4 What was important to you when choosing a childcare provider in general?

	Not important	Desirable	Important	Essential
The provider is close to home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The provider is close to work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
There is a settling-in period before my child starts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The provider can give me information about other support/ services available	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The provider can offer parents learning opportunities on how to best support my child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
There are opportunities for both	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



my child and myself to socialise with other families				
Staff are trained specifically to meet the needs of my child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reputation or Ofsted results	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of facilities (e.g. specialist equipment, meals, outside space)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are there any other factors which you think are important or essential?

Q.5 Considering your child's needs and choosing a childcare provider, what is important for a provider to demonstrate to you in terms of their resources, skills and experience?

	Not important	Important	Very important
Ways to involve me in planning and the review of support for my child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Understanding of my child's individual needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consistent/structured routines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clear links to other specialist support services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal plans (Individual Educational Plans, Individual Behavioural Plans, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sensory Resources to support a child with SEND	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access to outside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quiet spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clear outline of what training staff have received with regard to meeting the needs of children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Key person (a member of staff to help tailor a child's care, help them settle in and build a relationship with them and the child's	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



parents)			
Space to hold meetings with parents or other professionals while supporting my child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Medical training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sufficient staffing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Preparing to use up to 30 hours free childcare

Q.6 In addition to the 'universal' 15 hours free childcare entitlement, how many **more** hours (up to the maximum 30 hours) do you think you will use?

- I do not intend to use
- 15 hours or under
- 16-20 hours
- 21-25 hours
- 26-30 hours

Q.7 How many providers would you consider using to meet your childcare needs?

- None
- Only 1
- 2
- 3

Q.8 Please select which of the following would most likely be used as your **second provider**:

- Preschool
- Nursery
- Childminder
- Specialist provider
- Holiday playscheme
- Before of after school club
- Home childcarer



- Agency or self employed nanny or *au pair*
- Family member or friend
- Personal assistant or a buddy
- Other

For 'other', please describe:

Arrangements for using up to 30 hours free childcare entitlement

Q.9 If you are ready for your child to use some or all of their free childcare entitlement, or you are starting work; what length of settling in time for your child would be appropriate?

- Not necessary or not applicable
- One week
- 2/3 weeks
- More than a month
- More than two months
- Not applicable

Q.10 The Government currently allow free childcare hours to be used between 7am - 7pm, Monday to Sunday. However, most providers offer hours in a working week of Monday to Friday. Given the choice, would it be helpful for childcare that supports your work to be available across evenings and weekends?

- Yes - Saturday
- Yes - Sunday
- Yes - Saturday or Sunday
- Yes - Evenings
- Yes - Both evenings and weekends
- Yes - Overnight
- Yes - Combination of evenings, weekend and overnight
- No - Daytime weekdays only
- Not sure or not applicable



Q.11 Thinking about the year ahead, how many weeks of early years education and childcare would meet your future childcare needs?

- 38 weeks (same as school term time)
- 39 - 40 weeks (similar to some independent school terms)
- 41 - 50 weeks (similar to some childminder contracts)
- 51 - 52 weeks (all year)
- Not applicable

Q.12 How far would you travel each day in total in order to take up some, or all of the childcare?

- Less than 1 mile
- Between 1 to 5 miles
- Between 6 to 10 miles
- Between 11 to 20 miles
- Between 21 to 30 miles
- More than 30 miles
- Not applicable

Q.13 Do you have any comments you would like to add about travel and/or transport?

Childcare for children who have started school

Q.14 Other than yourself or your partner, what childcare provision will you use before or after school, during term time, if available? (Please tick all that apply)

	During school term time	During school holidays
Childminder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist provider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holiday playscheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home childcarer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agency or self-employed nanny or <i>au pair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Family member or friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal assistant or buddy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If 'Other' please give details:

Q.15 When your child goes to school, other than yourself or your partner, which childcare provision will you use before or after school, or in holidays, if available?
(Please tick all that apply)

	During school term time	During school holidays
Childminder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist provider	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holiday playscheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home childcarer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agency or self-employed nanny or <i>au pair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family member or friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal assistant or buddy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If 'Other' please give details:

About you

Q.16 What is your current **total annual household income** from all sources, before taxes?

- Up to £5,199
- £5,200 to £10,399
- £10,400 to £20,799
- £20,800 to £31,199
- £32,000 to £41,599
- £52,000 to £99,999



£100,000 or more*

Prefer not to say

Don't know

***Not eligible for the additional free childcare hours**

