

YouGov / Department for Education survey results

Fieldwork dates: 27th December 2017 - 4th January 2018

Sample size: 1407 adults, England

Total	Parents	Region				
		North	Midlands	East	London	South
	C	Q	R	S	T	U

Have you ever been worried about the welfare, abuse or neglect of a child you know or is living in your local area?

Unweighted base	1407	935	410	265	168	192	372
Base	1407	867	392	267	156	218	373
Yes, very worried	6%	7%	5%	6%	8%	7%	7%
Yes, quite worried	11%	13%	11%	11%	9%	13%	9%
Yes, but not very worried	9%	11%	9%	9%	8%	8%	11%
No, I have never been worried	68%	64%	68%	68%	71%	63%	69%
Don't know	4%	4%	5%	4%	3%	6%	3%
Prefer not to say	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Net: Yes	26%	31%	24%	26%	25%	29%	27%
Net: No	68%	64%	68%	68%	71%	63%	69%

You said you have been in a situation where you have worried a child was experiencing abuse or neglect. Did you do anything about your worries?

Unweighted base	387	299	106	74	46	53	108
Base	367	269	95	69	38	63	101
Yes, I did something	55%	57%	46% *	62% *	64% *	55% *	56% *
I thought about doing something/discussed it but decided not to in the end	29%	27%	34% *	28% *	20% *	30% *	29% *
No, I didn't do anything and kept my concerns to myself	12%	12%	14% *	9% *	10% *	14% *	13% *
Rather not say	3%	3%	6% *	1% *	6% *	1% *	2% *

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And did you take any action to help you reach your decision not to do anything? (Please tick all that apply)

	Unweighted base	Base	North	Midlands	East	London	South
	108	82	35	18	10	15	30
	108	73	32	19	8	19	29
Talked to the person that I thought might have been harming the child	7%	5%	-	5%	9%	24%	6%
			**	**	**	**	**
Talked to the child that I was concerned about	12%	15%	14%	18%	6%	10%	7%
			**	**	**	**	**
Talked to the parent / guardian of the child I was concerned about	11%	11%	7%	12%	15%	21%	8%
			**	**	**	**	**
Discussed the concerns I had with friends/ family	52%	47%	51%	58%	43%	60%	48%
			**	**	**	**	**
Phoned a charity helpline for advice and support	6%	5%	-	5%	19%	14%	4%
			**	**	**	**	**
Contacted social services	5%	1%	2%	-	-	14%	6%
			**	**	**	**	**
Contacted the police	6%	1%	9%	-	-	18%	-
			**	**	**	**	**
Contacted my place of worship	3%	5%	2%	-	9%	-	8%
			**	**	**	**	**
Used the internet to help find advice / help	11%	11%	5%	8%	14%	23%	10%
			**	**	**	**	**
Spoke to a medical professional	2%	3%	-	-	9%	-	5%
			**	**	**	**	**
Spoke to a teacher/the school	9%	8%	7%	5%	19%	11%	11%
			**	**	**	**	**
Contacted probation services	2%	3%	3%	-	19%	-	-
			**	**	**	**	**
Other (please specify)	7%	8%	9%	10%	18%	-	5%
			**	**	**	**	**
Don't know	7%	10%	10%	3%	-	-	13%
			**	**	**	**	**
Net: Tackled it directly	23%	24%	14%	29%	22%	41%	17%
			**	**	**	**	**
Net: Sought advice	71%	69%	65%	73%	94%	80%	65%
			**	**	**	**	**
Net: Reported it to officials	16%	16%	21%	3%	9%	18%	21%
			**	**	**	**	**