

Public Views on Ulster-Scots Culture, Heritage and Language in Northern Ireland

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Executive summary

- Agreement with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland' was highest among the 55-64 year old respondents (56%) and lowest among 16-24 year olds (28%).
- 55% of Protestant and 31% of Catholic respondents agreed with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland'.
- 16% of Protestant and 4% of Catholic respondents said they had participated in any Ulster-Scots activity in the 12 months prior to the survey.
- 22% of Protestant and 5% of Catholic respondents said they had been to any event within the Ulster-Scots culture during the 12 months prior to the survey.
- 62% of Protestant and 34% of Catholic respondents agreed with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is an important part in the history and heritage of Northern Ireland'.
- A lower proportion of younger respondents agreed with the statement: 'Ulster-Scots is an important part in the history and heritage of Northern Ireland' (35% of respondents aged 16-24 years old compared with 61% of respondents aged 55-64).
- 66% of Protestant and 47% of Catholic respondents said they were aware of the Ulster-Scots language. Similar proportions of Protestant and Catholic respondents thought that studying Ulster-Scots language at school should be an option: 23% and 21% respectively.
- Awareness of the Ulster-Scots language was highest within the 55-64 age group (70%) and lowest among those aged 16-24 (36%) while the proportion of respondents believing that children should have the option to study the Ulster-Scots language was highest among the 16-24 year olds (34%) and lowest among those aged 45-54 (17%).
- The proportion of respondents perceiving themselves to be an Ulster-Scot increased with age: 5% of those aged 16-24 years old compared with 29% of those aged 65+.
- 31% of Protestant and 3% of Catholic respondents considered themselves to be an Ulster-Scot.
- A higher proportion of respondents living in the North Eastern Education & Library Board area (29%) perceived themselves to be an Ulster-Scot compared with those living in the Western Education & Library Board area (8%).

Introduction

Background

This report has been prepared by the Research and Statistics Branch of the Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL). The Ulster-Scots Agency was involved with DCAL in the development of the questions.

Under the direction of the Northern Ireland Executive, the department is developing a Regional or Minority Languages Strategy which will seek to enhance and develop the Ulster-Scots language, heritage and culture and to enhance and protect the development of the Irish language. This report tabulates the findings from the Ulster-Scots module of the April 2010 Northern Ireland Omnibus Survey by age, gender, community background and Education & Library Board area. This analysis will add to the information base for this policy development.

Northern Ireland Omnibus Survey

The sample for the April 2010 survey consisted of a systematic random sample of 2,200 addresses selected from Land and Property Services' list of private addresses. Land and Property Services Agency provides a good sampling frame of addresses, but contains no information about the number of people living at an address. Further selection stages were therefore required to convert the listing of addresses to a listing of individuals, aged 16 or over, from which one person in each household (the 'selected respondent') was chosen to complete the questionnaire. Of the 1,973 people eligible to take part, 1,212 participated, giving a response rate of 61%.

Weighting

Selecting only one individual for interview at each sampled address means that the probability of selection for the survey is inversely related to the size of

the household. Therefore, the data are weighted in relation to the number of eligible adults at each address. This weighting process adjusts the results to those that would have been achieved if the sample had been drawn as a random sample of adults rather than of addresses.

The following should be noted when interpreting figures and tables:

Figure less than 0.5% are denoted by '0'.

Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding or where multiple responses are allowed.

The base number of responses to each question is shown in each table as the number of respondents may vary.

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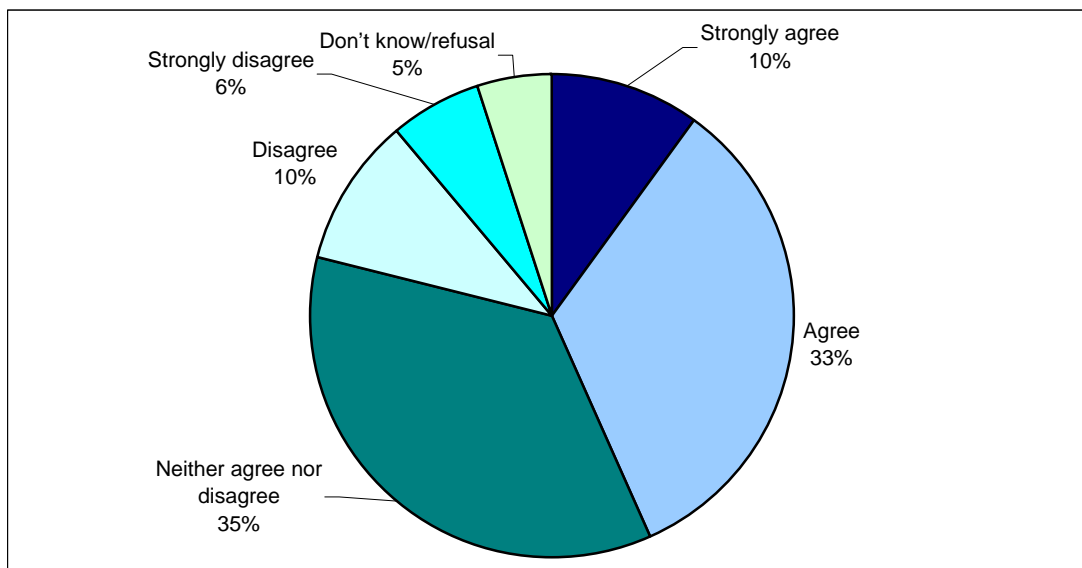
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1. Ulster-Scots culture

1.1 Ulster-Scots as part of Northern Ireland culture

Forty-three percent of respondents agreed with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland'. Sixteen percent disagreed with this statement (Figure 1).

Figure 1 Level of agreement with statement: 'Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland'



Agreement with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland' was highest in the 55-64 year old age group (56% of respondents in this group agreed with the statement) and lowest in the 16-24 year old age group (28%). Fifty-five percent of Protestant respondents and 31% of Catholic respondents agreed with the statement.

1.2 Participation in Ulster-Scots cultural activities

Eleven percent of respondents stated that they had participated in an Ulster-Scots cultural activity in the last 12 months. Six percent of respondents reported that in the previous 12 months they had participated in a festival celebrating Ulster-Scots, 4% had played Ulster-Scots music and 3% had

taken part in Ulster-Scots dancing. Eighty-eight percent mentioned they had not participated in any Ulster-Scots cultural activities in the last 12 months.

Figure 2a Participation in Ulster-Scots cultural activities by religion

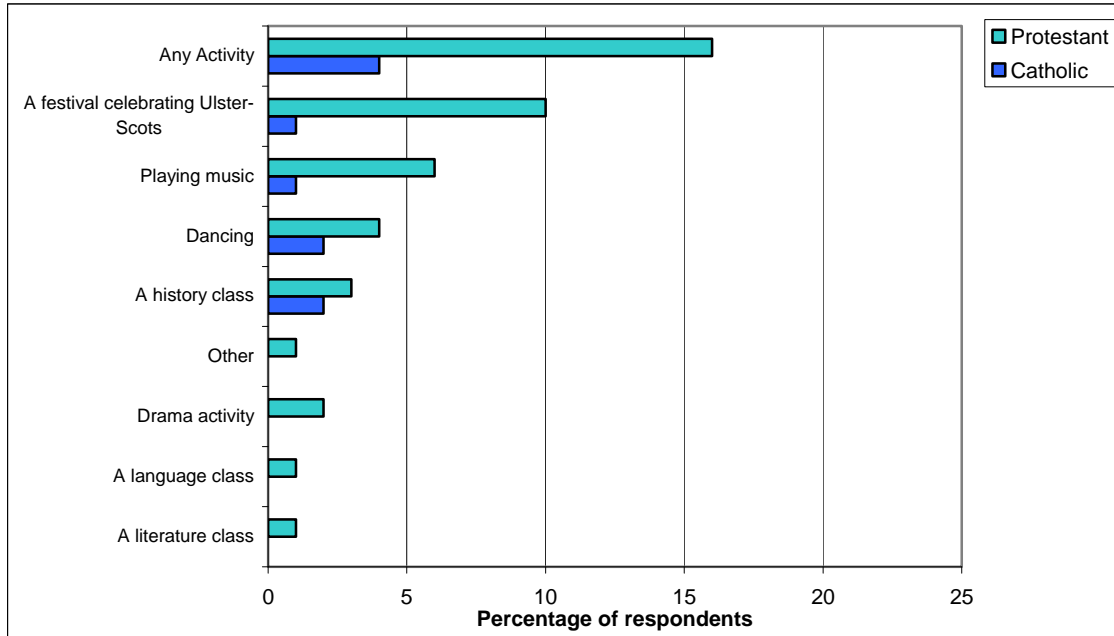
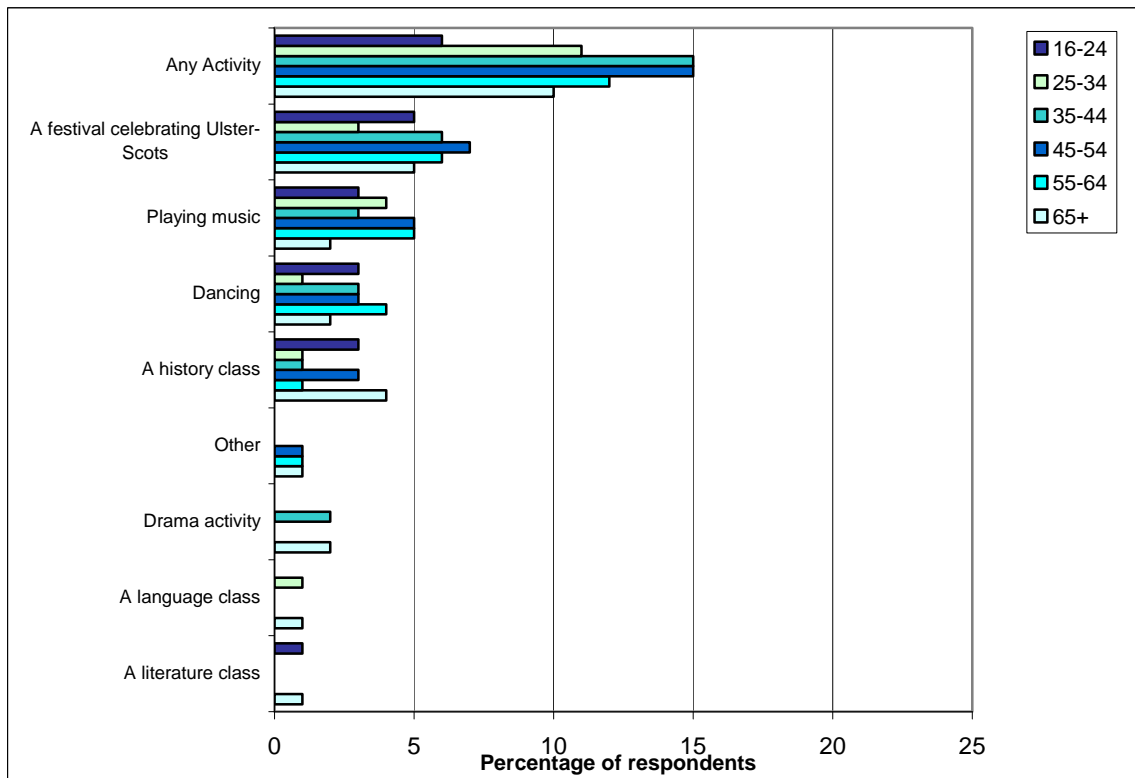


Figure 2b Participation in Ulster-Scots cultural activities by age



Sixteen percent of Protestant respondents and 4% of Catholic respondents said they had participated in any Ulster-Scots cultural activity in the previous 12 months. One in ten (10%) of Protestant respondents said they had participated in a festival celebrating Ulster-Scots culture in the previous 12 months compared with 1 in 100 (1%) of Catholic respondents (Figure 2a). Eighty-three percent of Protestant respondents had taken part in none of the Ulster-Scots activities named in the survey while the corresponding figure for Catholic respondents was 95%.

The proportion stating that they had participated in any Ulster-Scots event was highest within the 45-54 age group (15%) and lowest among the respondents aged 25-34 years old (6%). The proportion of respondents saying that they had participated in a festival celebrating Ulster-Scots culture in the previous 12 months did not vary significantly with age (Figure 2b).

1.3 Attendance at events within the Ulster-Scots culture

Fourteen percent of respondents had attended an event within the Ulster-Scots culture in the previous 12 months. Six percent of respondents said they had been to an Ulster-Scots parade¹, 5% stated they had been to an Ulster-Scots concert and 4% declared that they had been to an Ulster-Scots festival during the previous year.

Twenty-two percent of Protestant respondents and 5% of Catholic respondents said they had been to any event within the Ulster-Scots culture during the 12 months prior to the survey. Ten percent of Protestant respondents had been to a parade during the 12 months prior to the survey compared with 1% of Catholics (Figure 3a). Seventy-seven percent of Protestant respondents had been to none of the Ulster-Scots events compared with 95% of Catholic respondents.

¹ Includes seasonal marches

Attendance at an Ulster-Scots event was highest within the 45-54 age group of respondents (19%) and lowest among the 16-24 year olds (10%). Less than 1% of the 16-24 year olds questioned had been to an Ulster-Scots concert, festival or play during the previous 12 months (Figure 3b).

Figure 3a Attendance at events within the Ulster-Scots culture by religion

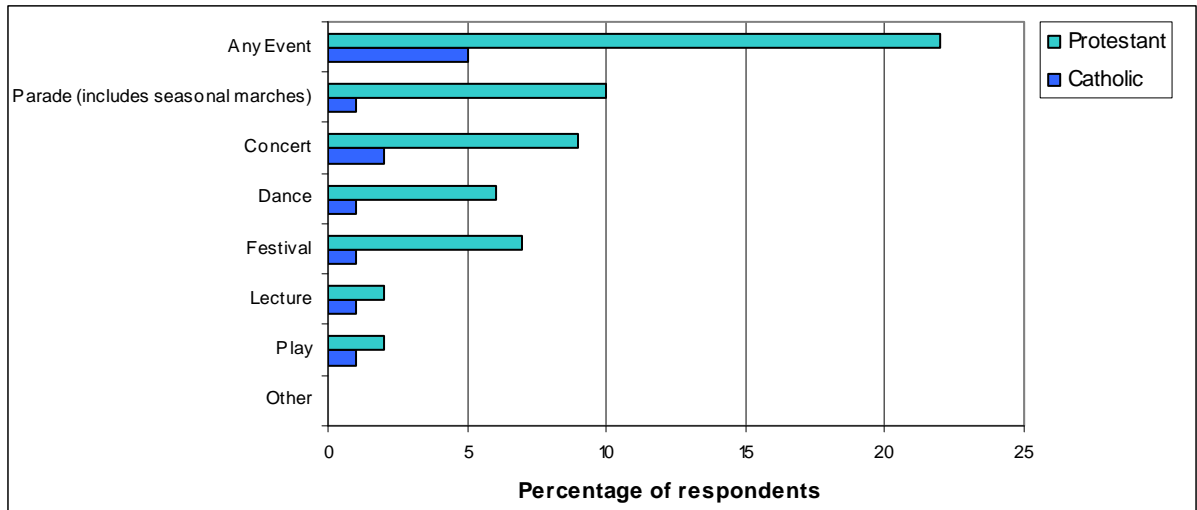
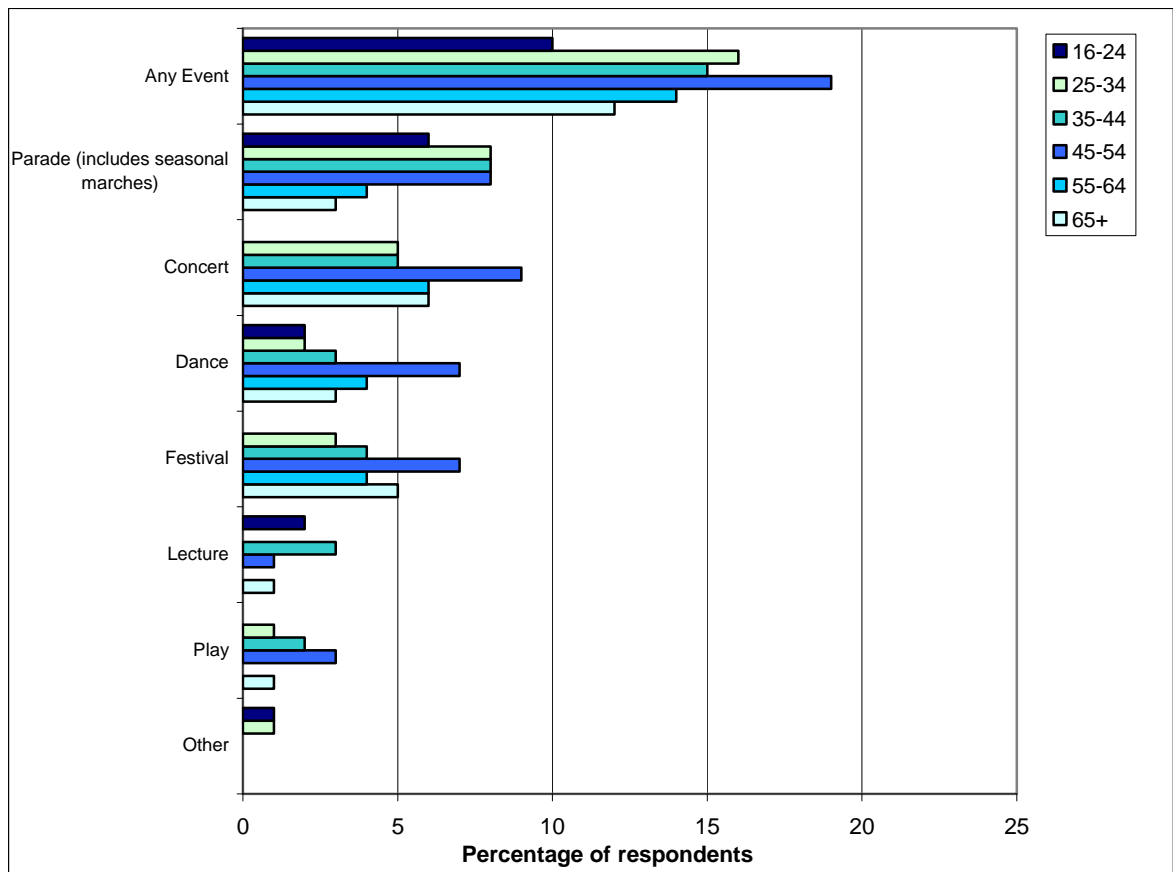


Figure 3b Attendance at events within the Ulster-Scots culture by age



1.4 Factors preventing attendance at Ulster-Scots events

Slightly over two-fifths (41%) of respondents mentioned the reason preventing them from attending more Ulster-Scots events was that they were not really interested. One-fifth (20%) said the reason for not attending more Ulster-Scots events was because they were not publicised enough. Other factors included 'It is difficult to find the time', 'Not enough facilities close to where I live', 'My health isn't good enough' and 'I might feel uncomfortable or out of place'.

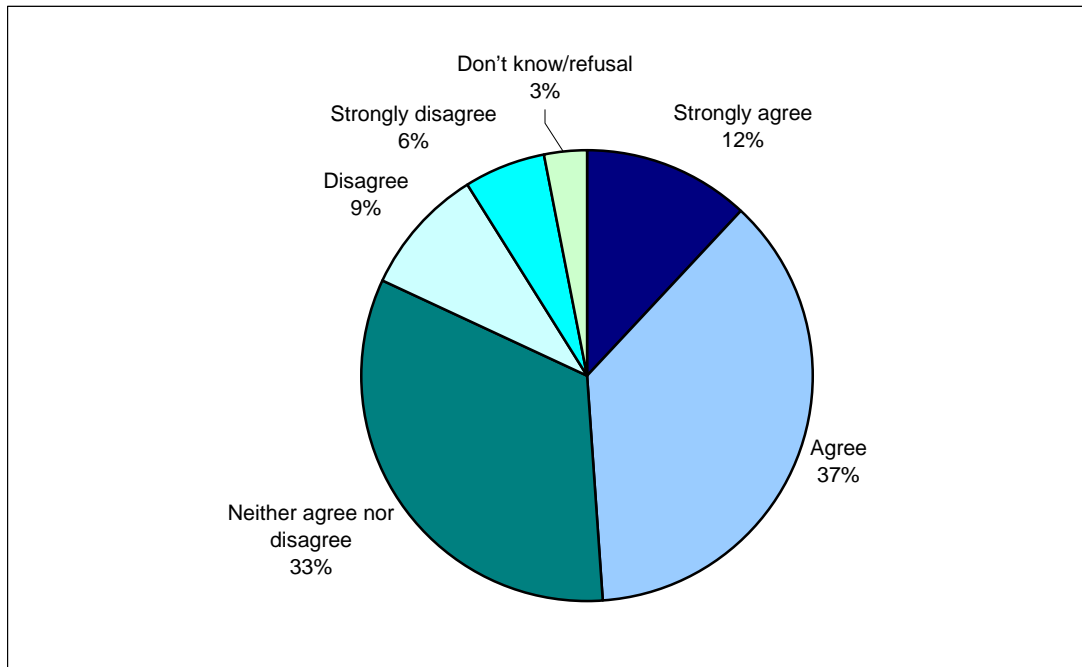
Forty-six percent of Catholic respondents stated they were not really interested in attending more Ulster-Scots events compared with 36% of Protestant respondents. Over half (53%) of the respondents aged 16-24 stated they were not really interested compared with approximately one third (34%) of those aged 25-34 years old. Similar proportions of the older age groups were not really interested (39 – 41%).

2. Ulster-Scots heritage

2.1 Ulster-Scots as part of Northern Ireland history and heritage

Nearly a half (49%) of respondents agreed with the statement 'Ulster-Scots plays an important part in the history and heritage of Northern Ireland' (Figure 4). Fifteen percent disagreed with this view.

Figure 4 Level of agreement with statement: 'Ulster-Scots is an important part of the history and heritage of Northern Ireland'



Sixty-two percent of Protestant respondents agreed with the statement 'Ulster-Scots is an important part in the history and heritage of Northern Ireland' compared with 34% of Catholic respondents. A lower proportion of younger respondents agreed with this statement: 35% of respondents aged 16-24 years old compared with 61% of respondents aged 55-64.

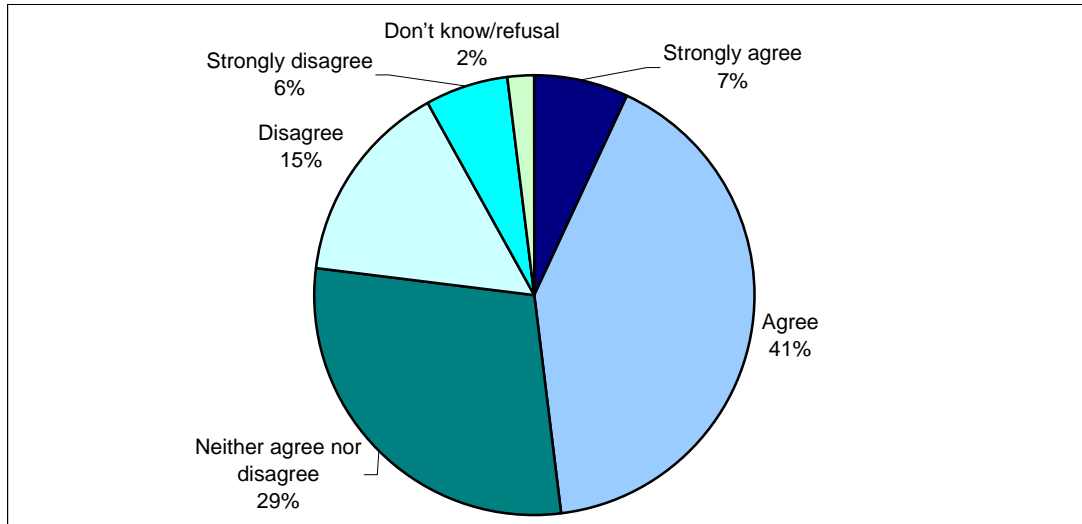
When asked if they were aware that 2010 is the 400th anniversary of the Plantation of Ulster, one-fifth of respondents (20%) claimed they were aware of this fact. Twenty-three percent of Protestant respondents and 17% of Catholic respondents said they were aware that 2010 was the anniversary of this historic event. Awareness was highest among those aged 55-64 years old (28%) and lowest in the 25-34 age group (13%).

2.2 Option of studying Ulster-Scots traditions at school

Almost a half (48%) of respondents agreed with the statement 'Learning about Ulster-Scots traditions in the school curriculum has educational benefits for

children at school in Northern Ireland' (Figure 5). A little over a fifth (21%) of respondents disagreed with this claim.

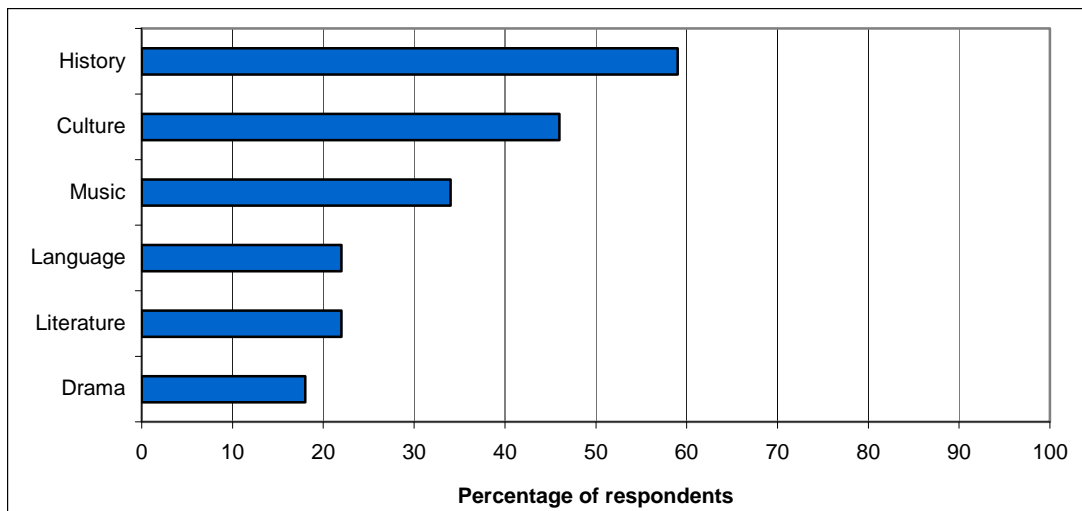
Figure 5 Level of agreement with statement: 'Learning about Ulster-Scots traditions in the school curriculum has educational benefits for children in Northern Ireland'



Fifty-eight percent of Protestant respondents agreed with the statement 'Learning about Ulster-Scots traditions in the school curriculum has educational benefits for children at school in Northern Ireland' compared with 35% of Catholic respondents. Agreement with this statement was highest in the 55-64 age group (60%) and lowest among the 25-34 year olds (43%).

Nearly three-fifths (59%) of respondents thought children should have the option to study Ulster-Scots history and 46% believed they should have the option to learn about Ulster-Scots culture (Figure 6).

Figure 6 Which of the following Ulster-Scots subjects should children have the option to study?



Nearly two thirds of Protestant respondents (65%) and slightly more than half of Catholic respondents (52%) thought children should have the option to study Ulster-Scots history. A higher proportion of 16-24 year olds (66%) than any other age group thought this should be an option.

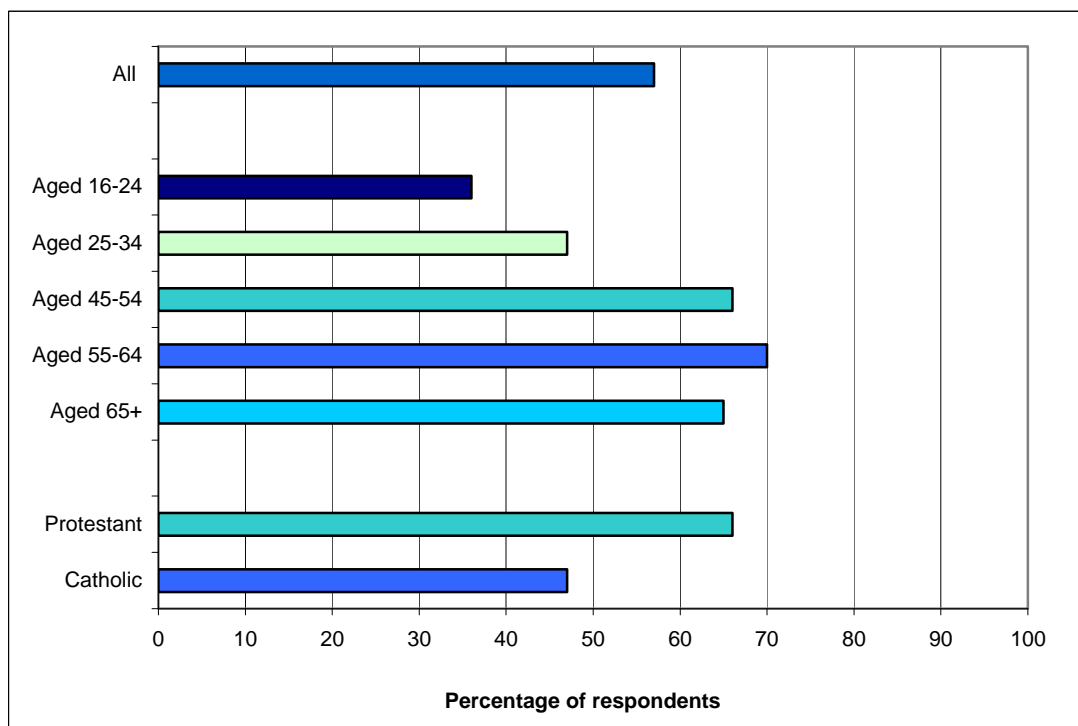
Over three-quarters (77%) of the people asked considered that children in Northern Ireland should study the history of the Plantation of Ulster. Eighty-four percent of Protestant respondents and 69% of Catholic respondents thought so. The proportion of those with the same opinion was highest in the 55-64 year old age group (83%) and lowest among the of 16-24 year old respondents (68%).

3. Ulster-Scots language

3.1 Awareness of the Ulster-Scots language

Slightly less than three-fifths (57%) of respondents said they were aware of the Ulster-Scots language (Figure 7).

Figure 7 Respondents who were aware of the Ulster-Scots language



Forty-seven percent of Catholic respondents and 66% of Protestant respondents were aware of the Ulster-Scots language. Awareness of the language was highest in the 55-64 year old age group (70%) and lowest among those aged 16-24 year old (36%).

Eighteen percent of all respondents said that they would like to learn more about the Ulster-Scots language. Of these respondents, 56% indicated they would like to learn more about it through local courses.

Twenty-four percent of Protestant respondents and 12% of Catholic respondents stated that they would like to learn more about the Ulster-Scots language. There were no significant differences in the proportions of respondents stating they would like to learn more about the language across the different age groups (16% – 20%)

3.2 Option of studying Ulster-Scots language at school

Twenty-two percent of respondents thought that children should have the option to study the Ulster-Scots language. Similar proportions of Catholic respondents and Protestant respondents thought that this should be an option: 21% and 23% respectively. The proportion of respondents believing that children should have the option to study the Ulster-Scots language was highest among the 16-24 year olds age group (34%) and lowest among those aged 45-54 (17%).

4. Identification with Ulster-Scots

4.1 Knowledge of Ulster-Scots publications

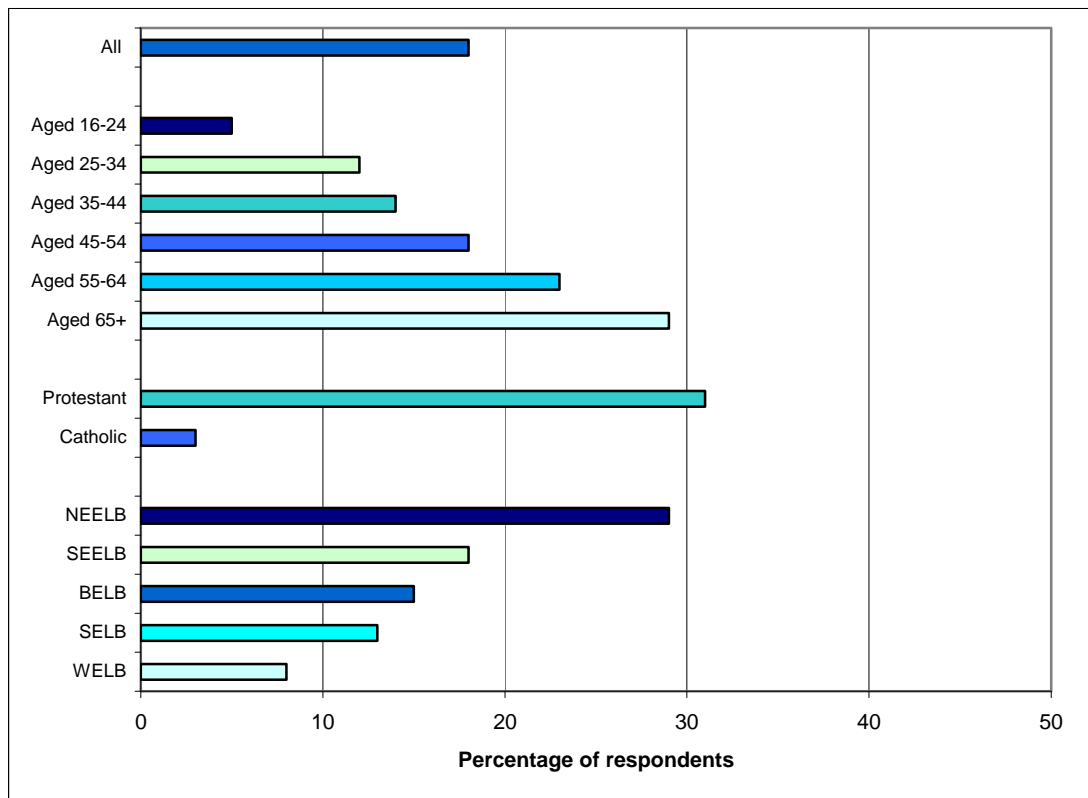
Twenty-nine percent of respondents had heard about 'The Ulster-Scot' newspaper. Thirty-seven percent of Protestant respondents and 19% of Catholic respondents knew about the newspaper. Knowledge of 'The Ulster-Scot' was highest among the 45-54 year old respondents (36%) and lowest among the 16-24 year olds (22%).

4.2 Perception of being an Ulster-Scot

Under a fifth (18%) of respondents perceived themselves to be an Ulster-Scot. The proportions of respondents perceiving themselves to be an Ulster-Scot increased with age: 5% of those aged 16-24 years old compared with 29% of those aged 65+. Over 10 times the proportion of Protestant respondents (31%) compared with Catholic respondents (3%) considered themselves to be Ulster-Scots.

A higher proportion of respondents living in the North Eastern Education & Library Board area (29%) perceived themselves to be an Ulster-Scot compared with those living in the Western Education & Library Board area (8%).

Figure 8 Proportion of respondents perceiving themselves to be an Ulster-Scot



APPENDIX A – Data Tables**Q1 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement ... Ulster-Scots is a valuable part of the culture of Northern Ireland?**

Profile of respondent	Level of agreement						Base
	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / refusal	
All respondents	10	33	35	10	6	5	1212
Male	10	33	31	12	9	4	530
Female	10	34	38	9	4	5	682
Aged 16-24	9	19	45	13	3	11	104
Aged 25-34	8	32	40	7	8	4	197
Aged 35-44	10	31	36	12	4	6	222
Aged 45-54	11	31	36	7	11	4	199
Aged 55-64	11	45	29	9	4	1	172
Aged 65+	10	39	27	13	7	3	318
Catholic	4	27	40	13	9	6	495
Protestant	15	40	30	8	4	3	625
Other religion/none	[8]	[23]	[33]	[14]	[6]	[8]	92
BELB	13	23	29	11	11	12	192
NEELB	9	40	33	11	5	2	286
SEELB	12	36	34	12	5	1	285
SELB	7	33	40	7	6	7	259
WELB	11	29	39	10	7	4	190

Q2 In the past 12 months, have you participated in any of the Ulster-Scots cultural activities listed?

a) By gender

Ulster-Scots cultural activity	All respondents	Gender	
		Male	Female
Any activity	11	9	12
A festival celebrating Ulster-Scots	6	5	6
Playing music	4	3	4
Dancing	3	1	4
A history class	2	2	2
Drama activity	1	1	1
Other	1	1	0
A literature class	0	0	0
A language class	0	0	0
None of these	88	90	87
Don't know / refusal	1	1	1
Base	1212	530	682

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q2 In the past 12 months, have you participated in any of the Ulster-Scots cultural activities listed?

b) By age

Ulster-Scots cultural activity	All respondents	Age group					
		16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Any activity	11	12	6	11	15	12	10
A festival celebrating Ulster-Scots	6	5	3	6	7	6	5
Playing music	4	3	4	3	5	5	2
Dancing	3	3	1	3	3	4	2
A history class	2	3	1	1	3	1	4
Drama activity	1	0	0	2	0	0	2
Other	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
A literature class	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
A language class	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
None of these	88	87	93	89	85	88	89
Don't know / refusal	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
Base	1212	104	197	222	199	172	318

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q2 In the past 12 months, have you participated in any of the Ulster-Scots cultural activities listed?

c) By community background

Ulster-Scots cultural activity	All respondents	Community background		
		Catholic	Protestant	Other/none
Any activity	11	4	16	[9]
A festival celebrating Ulster-Scots	6	1	10	[4]
Playing music	4	1	6	[1]
Dancing	3	2	4	[3]
A history class	2	2	3	[1]
Drama activity	1	0	2	[0]
Other	1	0	1	[0]
A literature class	0	0	1	[0]
A language class	0	0	1	[0]
None of these	88	95	83	[81]
Don't know / refusal	1	1	0	[2]
Base	1212	495	625	92

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Numbers of respondents given within [] when base less than 100 as percentages may be misleading

Q2 In the past 12 months, have you participated in any of the Ulster-Scots cultural activities listed?

d) By Education and Library Board

Ulster-Scots cultural activity	All respondents	Education & Library Board				
		BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB
Any activity	11	8	12	14	7	11
A festival celebrating Ulster-Scots	6	5	7	6	5	4
Playing music	4	3	2	5	4	4
Dancing	3	5	1	5	0	4
A history class	2	1	2	3	1	2
Drama activity	1	1	1	1	0	1
Other	1	1	1	0	1	0
A literature class	0	2	0	1	0	0
A language class	0	1	0	0	0	0
None of these	88	92	87	86	91	88
Don't know / refusal	1	0	0	0	2	1
Base	1212	192	286	285	259	190

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q3 In the last 12 months, have you been to any of the events within the Ulster-Scots culture listed?

a) By gender

Event within the Ulster-Scots culture	All respondents	Gender	
		Male	Female
Any event	14	13	16
Parade (includes seasonal marches)	6	7	6
Concert	5	4	6
Festival	4	4	4
Dance	4	3	4
Play	1	1	1
Lecture	1	1	2
Other	0	0	0
None of these	85	87	84
Don't know / refusal	0	0	1
Base	1212	530	682

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q3 In the last 12 months, have you been to any of the events within the Ulster-Scots culture listed?

b) By age

Events within the Ulster-Scots culture	All respondents	Age group					
		16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Any event	14	10	16	15	19	14	12
Parade (includes seasonal marches)	6	6	8	8	8	4	3
Concert	5	0	5	5	9	6	6
Festival	4	0	3	4	7	4	5
Dance	4	2	2	3	7	4	3
Play	1	0	1	2	3	0	1
Lecture	1	2	0	3	1	0	1
Other	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
None of these	85	90	84	84	81	86	87
Don't know / refusal	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Base	1212	104	197	222	199	172	318

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Q3 In the last 12 months, have you been to any of the events within the Ulster-Scots culture listed?

c) By community background

Event within the Ulster-Scots Culture	All respondents	Community Background		
		Catholic	Protestant	Other/none
Any event	14	5	22	[11]
Parade (includes seasonal marches)	6	1	10	[5]
Concert	5	2	9	[3]
Festival	4	1	7	[2]
Dance	4	1	6	[1]
Play	1	1	2	[0]
Lecture	1	1	2	[0]
Other	0	0	0	[0]
None of these	85	95	77	[79]
Don't know / refusal	0	1	0	[2]
Base	1212	495	625	92

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Q3 In the last 12 months, have you been to any of the events within the Ulster-Scots culture listed?

d) By Education and Library Board

Events within the Ulster-Scots culture	All respondents	Education & Library Board				
		BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB
Any event	14	10	20	18	7	14
Parade (includes seasonal marches)	6	5	7	8	3	7
Concert	5	4	8	5	4	6
Festival	4	3	6	6	3	2
Dance	4	3	3	5	2	5
Play	1	2	0	2	0	2
Lecture	1	1	1	2	0	1
Other	0	1	0	0	0	0
None of these	85	90	80	82	92	85
Don't know / refusal	0	0	0	0	1	1
Base	1212	192	286	285	259	190

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q4 Do any of these things prevent you from attending more Ulster-Scots events?**a) By gender**

Preventing from attending more Ulster-Scots events	All respondents	Gender	
		Male	Female
I am not really interested	41	42	39
Events are not publicised enough	20	18	21
It is difficult to find the time	9	8	10
Not enough facilities close to where I live	7	6	8
My health isn't good enough	4	3	5
I might feel uncomfortable or out of place	4	4	4
Other	2	1	2
I don't have anyone to go with	2	1	2
It costs too much	1	1	2
The venues are of poor quality	1	1	1
Performance and events are poor quality	1	1	1
None of these	28	31	25
Don't know / refusal	0	1	0
Base	1212	530	682

Percentages may add to more than 100 due to multiple responses

Q4 Do any of these things prevent you from attending more Ulster-Scots events?**b) By age**

Preventing from attending more Ulster-Scots events	All respondents	Age Group					
		16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
I am not really interested	41	53	34	40	41	39	39
Events are not publicised enough	20	23	21	17	18	27	14
It is difficult to find the time	9	3	13	14	9	12	4
Not enough facilities close to where I live	7	5	3	5	5	13	9
My health isn't good enough	4	0	1	1	3	7	11
I might feel uncomfortable or out of place	4	4	4	3	2	5	4
Other	2	2	3	2	3	1	1
I don't have anyone to go with	2	1	0	1	2	2	3
It costs too much	1	1	1	1	0	3	2
The venues are of poor quality	1	1	1	2	0	1	0
Performance and events are poor quality	1	0	1	2	0	1	0
None of these	28	25	36	25	31	19	29
Don't know / refusal	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Base	1212	104	197	222	199	172	318

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Q4 Do any of these things prevent you from attending more Ulster-Scots events?**c) By community background**

Preventing from attending more Ulster-Scots events	All respondents	Community background		
		Catholic	Protestant	Other/none
I am not really interested	41	46	36	[37]
Events are not publicised enough	20	14	25	[14]
It is difficult to find the time	9	6	12	[8]
Not enough facilities close to where I live	7	6	8	[3]
My health isn't good enough	4	2	7	[2]
I might feel uncomfortable or out of place	4	5	2	[5]
Other	2	3	1	[4]
I don't have anyone to go with	2	1	3	[0]
It costs too much	1	2	1	[0]
The venues are of poor quality	1	0	1	[1]
Performance and events are poor quality	1	0	1	[1]
None of these	28	30	26	[30]
Don't know / refusal	0	1	0	[2]
Base	1212	495	625	92

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Q4 Do any of these things prevent you from attending more Ulster-Scots events?**d) By Education and Library Board**

Preventing from attending more Ulster-Scots events	All respondents	Education & Library Board				
		BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB
I am not really interested	41	51	43	37	38	34
Events are not publicised enough	20	24	19	23	17	15
It is difficult to find the time	9	5	12	12	7	8
Not enough facilities close to where I live	7	5	8	7	5	11
My health isn't good enough	4	3	5	5	3	4
I might feel uncomfortable or out of place	4	5	3	3	4	3
Other	2	2	2	1	1	3
I don't have anyone to go with	2	2	3	1	1	1
It costs too much	1	2	2	3	0	0
The venues are of poor quality	1	1	0	1	1	1
Performance and events are poor quality	1	1	1	1	0	1
None of these	28	21	24	28	33	33
Don't know / refusal	0	0	0	0	1	1
Base	1212	192	286	285	259	190

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Q5 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement ... Ulster-Scots is an important part in the history and heritage of Northern Ireland?

Profile of respondent	Level of agreement						Base
	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / refusal	
All respondents	12	37	33	9	6	3	1212
Male	14	37	28	10	7	2	530
Female	11	36	37	8	4	3	682
Aged 16-24	7	28	45	14	3	4	104
Aged 25-34	9	39	34	8	7	4	197
Aged 35-44	13	34	34	11	5	2	222
Aged 45-54	12	32	40	6	8	2	199
Aged 55-64	17	44	25	8	4	2	172
Aged 65+	15	41	25	9	6	4	318
Catholic	4	30	40	12	10	4	495
Protestant	19	43	28	7	2	1	625
Other religion/none	[13]	[33]	[26]	[8]	[5]	[7]	92
BELB	13	30	27	14	9	7	192
NEELB	11	47	27	10	4	2	286
SEELB	15	39	34	6	4	2	285
SELB	10	34	39	7	5	5	259
WELB	13	26	41	11	8	1	190

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Q6 Are you aware that 2010 is the 400th year anniversary of the Plantation of Ulster?

Profile of respondent	Yes	No	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	20	79	0	1212
Male	25	74	0	530
Female	16	83	0	682
Aged 16-24	14	85	1	104
Aged 25-34	13	86	2	197
Aged 35-44	16	84	0	222
Aged 45-54	22	77	0	199
Aged 55-64	28	72	0	172
Aged 65+	27	73	0	318
Catholic	17	83	0	495
Protestant	23	77	0	625
Other religion/none	[25]	[65]	[2]	92
BELB	22	76	2	192
NEELB	20	80	0	286
SEELB	23	76	0	285
SELB	17	82	1	259
WELB	20	80	0	190

Q7 **How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement ... Learning about Ulster-Scots traditions in the school curriculum has educational benefits for children at school in Northern Ireland?**

Profile of respondent	Level of agreement						Base
	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / refusal	
All respondents	7	41	29	15	6	2	1212
Male	8	40	26	15	8	2	530
Female	7	41	31	14	4	3	682
Aged 16-24	9	39	29	17	3	3	104
Aged 25-34	5	38	33	12	9	3	197
Aged 35-44	7	38	34	14	4	2	222
Aged 45-54	8	40	28	14	8	2	199
Aged 55-64	9	51	24	11	3	2	172
Aged 65+	6	40	26	18	7	4	318
Catholic	3	32	34	18	9	3	495
Protestant	10	48	25	13	4	1	625
Other religion/none	[9]	[32]	[28]	[10]	[5]	[8]	92
BELB	10	34	25	14	11	5	192
NEELB	5	47	26	16	3	2	286
SEELB	9	44	29	13	4	1	285
SELB	5	39	33	15	5	4	259
WELB	8	33	32	17	8	1	190

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Q8 Which of the following Ulster-Scots subjects should children have the option to study?

a) By gender

Ulster-Scots subjects	All respondents	Gender	
		Male	Female
History	59	62	58
Culture	46	45	47
Music	34	31	36
Language	22	23	22
Literature	22	21	23
Drama	18	16	20
None of these	16	18	14
Don't know / refusal	4	3	6
Base	1212	530	682

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Q8 Which of the following Ulster-Scots subjects should children have the option to study?

b) By age

Ulster-Scots subjects	All respondents	Age Group					
		16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
History	59	66	57	61	62	62	52
Culture	46	53	47	44	46	57	35
Music	34	34	29	31	36	39	33
Language	22	34	27	18	17	23	20
Literature	22	25	27	23	21	23	17
Drama	18	22	19	16	16	18	17
None of these	16	12	21	14	16	10	20
Don't know / refusal	4	6	5	4	4	1	6
Base	1212	104	197	222	199	172	318

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Q8 Which of the following Ulster-Scots subjects should children have the option to study?

d) By community background

Ulster-Scots subjects	All respondents	Community background		
		Catholic	Protestant	Other/none
History	59	52	65	[54]
Culture	46	40	52	[35]
Music	34	30	37	[28]
Language	22	21	23	[20]
Literature	22	18	25	[17]
Drama	18	16	19	[19]
None of these	16	21	12	[15]
Don't know / refusal	4	5	3	[7]
Base	1212	495	625	92

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Q8 Which of the following Ulster-Scots subjects should children have the option to study?

d) By Education and Library Board

Ulster-Scots subject	All Respondents	Education & Library Board				
		BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB
History	59	59	60	71	55	48
Culture	46	38	44	55	43	46
Music	34	29	31	38	34	35
Language	22	22	23	25	25	14
Literature	22	17	23	29	19	19
Drama	18	16	17	21	16	19
None of these	16	17	14	10	19	21
Don't know / refusal	4	8	3	2	6	4
Base	1212	192	286	285	259	190

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Q9 **Should children in Northern Ireland study the history of the Plantation of Ulster?**

Profile of respondent	Yes	No	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	77	17	7	1212
Male	74	20	6	530
Female	78	14	8	682
Aged 16-24	68	23	9	104
Aged 25-34	77	14	10	197
Aged 35-44	76	18	7	222
Aged 45-54	78	14	8	199
Aged 55-64	83	14	3	172
Aged 65+	77	17	6	318
Catholic	69	23	8	495
Protestant	84	12	5	625
Other religion/none	[68]	[13]	[11]	92
BELB	70	20	11	192
NEELB	80	14	5	286
SEELB	80	13	7	285
SELB	73	18	9	259
WELB	77	19	4	190

Q10 **Are you aware of the Ulster-Scots language?**

Profile of respondent	Yes	No	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	57	42	0	1212
Male	63	36	1	530
Female	52	47	0	682
Aged 16-24	36	63	1	104
Aged 25-34	47	52	1	197
Aged 35-44	52	48	0	222
Aged 45-54	66	34	1	199
Aged 55-64	70	30	0	172
Aged 65+	65	33	2	318
Catholic	47	52	1	495
Protestant	66	34	0	625
Other religion/none	[55]	[32]	[5]	92
BELB	57	43	0	192
NEELB	66	34	0	286
SEELB	61	38	1	285
SELB	50	48	2	259
WELB	47	52	1	190

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Q11 Would you like to learn more about it?

Profile of respondent	Yes	No	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	18	80	1	1212
Male	18	81	1	530
Female	19	80	1	682
Aged 16-24	20	79	1	104
Aged 25-34	20	79	1	197
Aged 35-44	17	81	1	222
Aged 45-54	19	80	1	199
Aged 55-64	20	79	1	172
Aged 65+	16	83	2	318
Catholic	12	87	1	495
Protestant	24	76	0	625
Other religion/none	[20]	[69]	[3]	92
BELB	16	83	1	192
NEELB	22	78	1	286
SEELB	19	80	1	285
SELB	16	83	1	259
WELB	18	79	2	190

Q12 How would you like to learn more about it?

Profile of respondent	Local Courses	Phrase Books	Schools	Other	Poetry	Dictionary	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	56	34	16	15	12	10	0	224
Male	[58]	[33]	[15]	[8]	[10]	[11]	[1]	97
Female	56	32	15	20	13	8	0	125
Aged 16-24	[9]	[6]	[8]	[6]	[1]	[2]	[0]	22
Aged 25-34	[20]	[15]	[4]	[8]	[2]	[1]	[0]	39
Aged 35-44	[19]	[12]	[6]	[5]	[6]	[6]	[0]	40
Aged 45-54	[24]	[11]	[4]	[6]	[4]	[1]	[0]	36
Aged 55-64	[26]	[12]	[1]	[2]	[2]	[5]	[0]	36
Aged 65+	[29]	[18]	[7]	[4]	[10]	[6]	[1]	49
Catholic	[27]	[22]	[11]	[7]	[5]	[3]	[0]	60
Protestant	62	33	15	13	11	13	0	142
Other religion/none	[11]	[5]	[1]	[7]	[5]	[1]	[0]	20
BELB	[18]	[9]	[4]	[9]	[5]	[3]	[0]	32
NEELB	[39]	[18]	[10]	[7]	[9]	[8]	[0]	64
SEELB	[30]	[16]	[9]	[9]	[3]	[5]	[1]	53
SELB	[25]	[17]	[2]	[3]	[5]	[4]	[0]	41
WELB	[15]	[14]	[5]	[3]	[3]	[1]	[0]	32

Base: all respondents who stated they would like to learn more about the Ulster-Scots language

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Q13 Have you heard of any of the following in relation to Ulster-Scots?**a) By gender**

In relation to Ulster-Scots	All respondents	Gender	
		Male	Female
The Ulster-Scot	29	32	26
Historical leaflets	18	18	18
Heritage trails	16	16	17
Oot An Aboot	16	16	16
Poetry books	11	9	12
Language books	7	7	7
None of these	52	50	53
Don't know / refusal	0	1	0
Base	1212	530	682

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Q13 Have you heard of any of the following in relation to Ulster-Scots?**b) By age**

In relation to Ulster-Scots	All Respondents	Age Group					
		16-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
The Ulster-Scot	29	22	28	29	36	32	25
Historical leaflets	18	14	16	17	23	23	17
Heritage trails	16	12	15	17	15	24	16
Oot An Aboot	16	17	12	14	20	20	13
Poetry books	11	10	9	9	12	13	11
Language books	7	7	6	6	8	9	6
None of these	52	62	55	50	49	46	52
Don't know / refusal	0	1	2	0	0	0	1
Base	1212	104	197	222	199	172	318

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Q13 Have you heard of any of the following in relation to Ulster-Scots?**c) By community background**

In relation to Ulster-Scots	All respondents	Community background		
		Catholic	Protestant	Other/none
The Ulster-Scot	29	19	37	[29]
Historical leaflets	18	10	27	[10]
Heritage trails	16	9	24	[7]
Oot An Aboot	16	12	20	[11]
Poetry books	11	5	16	[7]
Language books	7	4	10	[5]
None of these	52	65	40	[50]
Don't know / refusal	0	1	0	[5]
Base	1212	495	625	92

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Q13 Have you heard of any of the following in relation to Ulster-Scots?**d) By Education and Library Board**

In relation to Ulster-Scots	All respondents	Education & Library Board				
		BELB	NEELB	SEELB	SELB	WELB
The Ulster-Scot	29	23	30	35	23	30
Historical leaflets	18	14	19	26	13	18
Heritage trails	16	13	16	22	13	17
Oot An Aboot	16	12	26	19	5	13
Poetry books	11	7	13	11	7	14
Language books	7	7	8	8	5	6
None of these	52	64	45	41	63	51
Don't know / refusal	0	0	0	1	1	2
Base	1212	192	286	285	259	190

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Q14 Do you perceive yourself to be an Ulster-Scot?

Profile of respondent	Yes	No	Don't know / refusal	Base
All respondents	18	80	2	1212
Male	20	77	2	530
Female	16	83	1	682
Aged 16-24	5	91	3	104
Aged 25-34	12	86	2	197
Aged 35-44	14	84	2	222
Aged 45-54	18	79	3	199
Aged 55-64	23	75	1	172
Aged 65+	29	70	1	318
Catholic	3	96	1	495
Protestant	31	67	2	625
Other religion/none	[14]	[73]	[5]	92
BELB	15	83	2	192
NEELB	29	68	3	286
SEELB	18	80	2	285
SELB	13	84	2	259
WELB	8	91	1	190