

National NHS patient survey programme

Survey of women's experiences of maternity services 2010

Full national results tables

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To improve the quality of services that the NHS delivers, it is important to understand what people think about their care and treatment. One way of doing this is by asking people who have recently used their local health services to tell us about their experiences.

The 2010 survey of women's experiences of maternity services involved 142 NHS acute trusts and 2 primary care trusts (PCTs) in England. We received responses from over 25,000 women, a response rate of 52%. Women were eligible for the survey if they had a live birth between 1–28 February 2010 and were aged 16 years or older¹. Women who gave birth in a hospital, birth centre or maternity unit, or who had a home birth, were eligible.

A similar survey of women using maternity services was also carried out in 2007. This document provides tables showing the national results for both surveys, where possible. Results at trust-level are available in feedback reports for individual trusts, or the CQC 'Care Directory' on our website.

These surveys of women who use maternity services are part of a wider programme of NHS patient surveys, which cover a range of topics including mental health services, adult inpatient and outpatient services, and ambulance services. To find out more about our programme, please visit our website (see 'further information' section).

¹ Some trusts with a small number of women delivering in February would have also included women who gave birth in January 2010. For further details on women excluded from the survey, please see the survey guidance manual at: <http://www.nhssurveys.org/survey/876>

Interpreting the tables

The tables present the national results for each question for each year that it has been asked.² The survey years are shown across the top of the table, with the responses for each question down the side. The bottom row shows the 'number of respondents' that is the number of people that the results are based on.

The tables show all specific responses to a question. Responses such as “don't know” or “can't remember” are not shown, as these do not help evaluate performance.

Filter questions

Not all of the questions in the survey were to be answered by everybody, as some questions are not applicable to all women: for example, if a respondent had a caesarean delivery at question C6 then they would be instructed to skip the subsequent questions asking about where they gave birth and episiotomies and go directly to question C10.

Multiple response questions

The survey included two questions with a response option to “tick all that apply” (questions B12 and C3). Where this is the case we have presented percentages for each option, out of all those eligible to answer that question (some respondents may have ticked more than one category). This means that the results add up to over 100%.

Statistical significance

We carried out statistical tests on the data to determine whether there had been any statistically significant changes in the results for 2010 compared with the previous survey.³ A statistically significant difference means that the change in the results is very unlikely to have occurred by chance.

The final two columns of the tables use 'up' and 'down' arrows to indicate whether there has been a 'statistically significant' change between 2010 and 2007:

↑ shows that there has been a statistically significant increase in results

↓ shows that there has been a statistically significant decrease in results.

Where a cell in the final column is blank, there has been no statistically significant change.

² The results from each trust are given equal weight in calculating the England (national) results. Some trusts have a higher response rate than others and would therefore have a greater influence over the England (national) average. To correct this we apply a 'weight' to the data. As a result of applying this weight, the responses from each trust have an equal influence over the England average, regardless of differences in response rates between trusts. Please note however this weighting has not been applied to questions from sections A or G - covering factual information about respondents.

³ We used z-tests of the column proportions using the Bonferroni method correcting for multiple comparisons only (for questions with three years of comparable data).

For example, in the table for question B4 we can see that between 2007 and 2010, there has been a significant increase in the proportion of respondents saying that they had a choice about where to have their baby at the start of pregnancy - as indicated by an 'up' arrow. There has been a corresponding decrease for the proportion who were not given a choice - indicated by a 'down' arrow.

In some of the tables, the arrows suggest that there has been a significant change but the results look the same. An example of this can be seen in the table for question B5 where the 'No, but this was not possible for medical reasons' percentage is the same for 2010 and for 2007 (0%) but there is an upward arrow to show that there has been a significant increase. This is because results presented in the tables have been rounded up or down to a whole number. If the results were presented to a number of decimal places, a small observable difference would be shown. Some of the changes in the survey results are very small, but because of the large number of respondents that took part, they are statistically significant.

Notes on specific questions

Question B5 "Were you given a choice of having your baby at home?"

This question was only answered by women who answered 'Yes' to question B4 ("At the start of your pregnancy did you have a choice about where you could have your baby?")

Questions C2 and C4: "During your labour, were you able to move around and choose the position that made you most comfortable?" and "During your labour and birth, did you feel you got the pain relief you wanted? were not answered by women who had a planned caesarean.

Questions D2, D3 and D4: "Looking back, do you feel that the length of your stay in hospital after the birth was...", "Thinking about the care you received in hospital after the birth of your baby, were you given the information or explanations you needed?" and "Thinking about the care you received in hospital after the birth of your baby, were you treated with kindness and understanding?" were not answered by women who had a home birth and did not go to hospital.

Further information

Full details of the methodology of the survey can be found at:

<http://www.nhssurveys.org/>

More information on the programme of NHS patient surveys is available on our website at:

<http://www.cqc.org.uk/patientsurveys.cfm>

Results, questionnaire and scoring for the 2010 survey of women's experiences of maternity services can be found at:

<http://www.cqc.org.uk/maternitysurvey2010.cfm>

The results for each trust will also be available under the organisation search tool of the CQC website:

<http://caredirectory.cqc.org.uk/caredirectory/searchthecaredirectory.cfm>

(Enter a postcode or organisation name, then scroll down to **'What people said about this trust'**)

Results from the 2007 survey of maternity services can be found at:

www.cqc.org.uk/maternityservices2007

Dates and your baby

A1 Did you give birth to a single baby, twins or more in your most recent pregnancy?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
A single baby	99%	98%	
Twins	1%	2%	
Triplets, quads or more	0%	0%	
Number of respondents	25941	25363	

Answered by all

A3 What time was your baby born?

	Survey Year
	2010
Early morning (12:01 am-6:00am)	25%
Morning (6:01 am-12:00 noon)	27%
Afternoon (12:01pm-6:00pm)	25%
Evening/night (6:01pm-12:00 midnight)	23%
Number of respondents	25270

Answered by all

A4 Roughly how many weeks pregnant were you when your baby was born?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Before I was 37 full weeks pregnant	6%	8%	↑
When I was 37 weeks pregnant or more	94%	92%	↓
Number of respondents	25629	25305	

Answered by all

A5 How much did your baby weigh at birth?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Less than 2500g / 2.5 kg (Less than 5 pounds 8 ounces)	8%	5%	↓
2500g / 2.5kg or more (5 pounds 8 ounces or more)	92%	95%	↑
Number of respondents	26024	25172	

Answered by all

Care while you were pregnant

The start of your care in pregnancy

B1 Who was the first health professional you saw when you thought you were pregnant?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
GP/family doctor	78%	71%	↓
Midwife	19%	24%	↑
Other	3%	5%	↑
Number of respondents	25841	25291	

Answered by all

B2 Roughly how many weeks pregnant were you when you first saw this health professional about your pregnancy care?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Before I was 7 full weeks pregnant	52%	54%	↑
When I was 7 to 12 weeks pregnant	43%	41%	↓
When I was more than 12 weeks pregnant	6%	5%	↓
Number of respondents	25634	24847	

Answered by all

B3 Roughly how many weeks pregnant were you when you had your 'booking' appointment (the appointment where you were given your pregnancy notes?)

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Before I was 8 full weeks pregnant	12%	17%	↑
When I was 8 or 9 weeks pregnant	25%	36%	↑
When I was 10 or 11 weeks pregnant	21%	22%	
When I was 12 weeks pregnant	21%	14%	↓
When I was 13 or more weeks pregnant	21%	11%	↓
Number of respondents	24646	23154	

Answered by all

B4 At the start of your pregnancy did you have a choice about where you could have your baby?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	81%	83%	↑
No	19%	17%	↓
Number of respondents	22570	22817	

Answered by all

B5 Were you given a choice of having your baby at home?

	Survey year
	2010
Yes	74%
No	26%
Number of respondents	15924

Answered by all who had a choice about where to have their baby

B6 Did you get enough information from a midwife or doctor to help you decide where to have your baby?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	57%
Yes, to some extent	31%
No	11%
Number of respondents	16315

Answered by all who had a choice about where to have their baby

B7 Before your baby was born, did you plan to have your baby at home?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes	7%
No	93%
Number of respondents	25262

Answered by all

B8 Were you given a copy of The Pregnancy Book?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	75%	78%	↑
No	25%	22%	↓
Number of respondents	21185	21269	

Answered by all

B9 Were you given information about the NHS Choices website?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes	27%
No	73%
Number of respondents	19746

Answered by all

Antenatal check-ups**B10 Roughly how many antenatal check-ups did you have in total?**

	Survey Year
	2010
None	1%
1 to 6	45%
7 to 9	32%
10 to 14	16%
15 or more	6%
Number of respondents	23226

Answered by all

B11 During your pregnancy were you given a choice about where your antenatal check-ups would take place?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	24%	25%	↑
No	76%	75%	↓
Number of respondents	24379	24030	

Answered by all women who had any antenatal check ups

B12 Which of the following health professionals did you see for your antenatal check-ups?

(Tick all that apply)

	Survey Year
	2010
Midwife	96%
GP (family doctor)	21%
Hospital doctor (e.g. a consultant)	38%
Other	1%
Number of respondents	25087

Answered by all women who had any antenatal check ups

B13 If you saw a midwife for your antenatal check-ups, did you see the same one every time?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, every time	19%	19%	
Yes, most of the time	38%	38%	
No	43%	43%	
Number of respondents	24888	24512	

Answered by all women who had any antenatal check ups

Tests and scans

B14 Did you have a 'dating scan'? This takes place between 8-14 weeks of pregnancy.

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	89%	95%	↑
No	11%	5%	↓
Number of respondents	25701	25051	

Answered by all

B15 Was the reason for this scan clearly explained to you?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	76%
Yes, to some extent	19%
No	4%
Number of respondents	24330

Answered by all

B16 Did you have any screening tests (a blood test or nuchal scan) to check whether your baby might have Down's syndrome?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, a blood test only	57%	52%	↓
Yes, a nuchal scan only	15%	6%	↓
Yes, a nuchal scan and blood test	22%	38%	↑
No, I wasn't offered any screening tests for Down's syndrome	6%	3%	↓
Number of respondents	18711	18617	

Answered by all

B17 Were the reasons for having a screening test for Down's syndrome clearly explained to you?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	77%
Yes, to some extent	18%
No	5%
Number of respondents	24296

Answered by all

B18 Did you have a scan at around 20 weeks of pregnancy?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	98%	99%	↑
No	2%	1%	↓
Number of respondents	25787	25111	

Answered by all

B19 Was the reason for this scan clearly explained to you?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	79%
Yes, to some extent	17%
No	3%
Number of respondents	24933

Answered by all

B20 Roughly how many ultrasound scans did you have in total during this pregnancy?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
None	0%	0%	↑
One	3%	2%	↓
Two to Three	64%	65%	↑
Four or more	34%	33%	
Number of respondents	25718	25134	

Answered by all

During your pregnancy

B21 During your pregnancy did you have the name and telephone number of a midwife you could contact if you were worried?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	90%	92%	↑
No	10%	8%	↓
Number of respondents	25620	25190	

Answered by all

B22 If you contacted a midwife, were you given the help you needed?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, always	72%
Yes, sometimes	23%
No	6%
Number of respondents	18346

Answered by all

B23 Thinking about your antenatal care, were you spoken to in a way you could understand?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	81%	83%	↑
Yes, sometimes	18%	15%	↓
No	1%	2%	↑
Number of respondents	25024	25198	

Answered by all

B24 Thinking about your antenatal care, were you involved enough in decisions about your care?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	67%	74%	↑
Yes, sometimes	25%	22%	↓
No	8%	4%	↓
Number of respondents	24719	24859	

Answered by all

B25. Overall, how would you rate the care received during your pregnancy?

	Survey Year
	2010
Excellent	41%
Very good	35%
Good	16%
Fair	6%
Poor	2%
Number of respondents	25256

Answered by all

Antenatal classes

B26. During your pregnancy, did you attend any antenatal classes provided by the NHS?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	61%	58%	↓
No, I was not offered any classes	36%	38%	↑
No, they were all booked up	3%	4%	
Number of respondents	14067	13401	

Answered by all

Your Labour and the birth of your baby

C1. Roughly how long did your labour last?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Less than 8 hours	49%	48%	↓
8 hours or longer, but less than 12 hours	16%	19%	↑
12 hours or longer, but less than 18 hours	16%	14%	↓
18 hours or longer	19%	20%	↑
Number of respondents	21919	22100	

Answered by all women who did not have a planned caesarean section

C2 During your labour, were you able to move around and choose the position that made you most comfortable?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, most of the time	64%
Yes, some of the time	27%
No, not at all	9%
Number of respondents	19330

Answered by all women who did not have a planned caesarean section

C3 During your labour and birth, did you use any of the following to help relieve the pain?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Natural methods (e.g. breathing, massage)	48%	47%	↓
Water or birthing pool	11%	13%	↑
TENS machine (with pads on your back)	20%	19%	↓
Gas and air (breathing through a mask)	81%	81%	
Injection of pethidine or a similar painkiller	34%	31%	↓
Epidural or similar (injection in your back, given by an anaesthetist)	30%	29%	↓
Other	3%	2%	↓
I did not use any pain relief	6%	6%	
Number of respondents	22523	22199	

Answered by all women who did not have a planned caesarean section

C4 During your labour and birth, did you feel you got the pain relief you wanted?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, definitely	64%	65%	↑
Yes, to some extent	28%	26%	↓
No	8%	8%	
Number of respondents	19561	19214	

Answered by all women who did not have a planned caesarean section

The birth of your baby

C5 Where was your baby born?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
In hospital	95%	94%	↓
In a birth centre / maternity unit, separate from hospital	3%	4%	↑
At home	3%	3%	
Other	0%	0%	
Number of respondents	24937	24525	

Answered by all

C6 Thinking about the birth of your baby, what kind of delivery did you have?

	Survey Year
	2010
A normal vaginal delivery	62%
An assisted vaginal delivery (e.g. with forceps or ventouse suction cup)	14%
A planned caesarean delivery	10%
An emergency caesarean delivery	15%
Number of respondents	25229

Answered by all

C7 Where did you give birth?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
On a bed	91%	88%	↓
On the floor	4%	4%	
In a water or birthing pool	3%	5%	↑
Other	2%	2%	↑
Number of respondents	19522	19100	

Answered by all women who had a vaginal delivery

C8 What position were you in when your baby was born?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Sitting / Sitting supported by pillows	25%	18%	↓
On my side	5%	5%	
Standing, squatting or kneeling	12%	13%	↑
Lying / lying supported by pillows	30%	32%	↑
Lying with legs in stirrups	27%	30%	↑
Other	1%	3%	↑
Number of respondents	19418	18945	

Answered by all women who had a vaginal delivery

C9 If you had an episiotomy (cut) or tear requiring stitches, how long after your baby was born were the stitches done?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Within 20 minutes	58%	60%	
20 minutes to 1 hour	29%	28%	
More than 1 hour	12%	12%	
Number of respondents	10311	11269	

Answered by all women who had a vaginal delivery

C10 Did you have skin to skin contact with your baby shortly after the birth?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes	85%
No	15%
Number of respondents	22461

Answered by all

The staff caring for you

C11 Had you met any of the staff who cared for you during your labour and birth before you went into labour?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	22%	25%	↑
No	78%	75%	↓
Number of respondents	25345	24975	

Answered by all

C12 Did you have confidence and trust in the staff caring for you during your labour and birth?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, definitely	68%	73%	↑
Yes, to some extent	27%	23%	↓
No	5%	4%	↓
Number of respondents	25638	25201	

Answered by all

C13 If you had a partner or a companion with you during your labour and delivery, were they made welcome by the staff?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	84%
Yes, to some extent	14%
No	2%
Number of respondents	24824

Answered by all

C14 Were you (and/or your partner or a companion) left alone by midwives or doctors at a time when it worried you?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, during labour	15%	12%	↓
Yes, shortly after the birth	6%	6%	
Yes, during labour and shortly after the birth	5%	4%	↓
No, not at all	74%	78%	↑
Number of respondents	25282	25018	

Answered by all

C15 Thinking about your care during labour and birth, were you spoken to in a way you could understand?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	82%	84%	↑
Yes, sometimes	17%	14%	↓
No	2%	2%	↑
Number of respondents	25452	25178	

Answered by all

C16 Thinking about your care during labour and birth, were you involved enough in decisions about your care?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	70%	71%	↑
Yes, sometimes	22%	23%	↑
No	9%	6%	↓
Number of respondents	25132	24746	

Answered by all

C17 Overall, how would you rate the care received during your labour and birth?

	Survey Year
	2010
Excellent	58%
Very good	26%
Good	10%
Fair	4%
Poor	3%
Number of respondents	25146

Answered by all

Care in hospital after the birth

D1 How long did you stay in hospital after your baby was born?

	Survey Year
	2010
Up to 12 hours	16%
More than 12 hours but less than 24 hours	20%
1 to 2 days	35%
3 to 4 days	21%
5 or more days	8%
Number of respondents	24491

Answered by all who gave birth or spent time in hospital

D2 Looking back, do you feel that the length of your stay in hospital after the birth was...

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Too long	15%	16%	↑
Too short	13%	12%	↓
About right	73%	72%	
Number of respondents	23996	23942	

Answered by all women who gave birth in hospital or spent time in hospital after the birth

D3 Thinking about the care you received in hospital after the birth of your baby, were you given the information or explanations you needed?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	58%	53%	↓
Yes, sometimes	31%	36%	↑
No	11%	11%	
Number of respondents	24772	24489	

Answered by all women who gave birth in hospital or spent time in hospital after the birth

D4 Thinking about the care you received in hospital after the birth of your baby, were you treated with kindness and understanding?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	63%	63%	
Yes, sometimes	29%	31%	↑
No	9%	7%	↓
Number of respondents	24767	24473	

Answered by all who gave birth or spent time in hospital

Feeding your baby

E1 During your pregnancy did your midwife discuss infant feeding with you?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	55%
Yes, to some extent	28%
No	17%
Number of respondents	24880

Answered by all

E2 In the first few days after the birth how was your baby fed?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Breast milk	57%	59%	↑
Both breast and formula milk	18%	19%	↑
Formula milk only	24%	22%	↓
Number of respondents	25752	25196	

Answered by all

E3 Did you ever put your baby to the breast (even if it was only once)?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	21%	24%	↑
No	79%	76%	↓
Number of respondents	5499	4433	

Answered by all women who fed their baby with formula milk or other

E4 Did you feel that midwives and other carers gave you consistent advice?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	38%	36%	↓
Yes, generally	38%	43%	↑
No	23%	21%	↓
Number of respondents	24276	24186	

Answered by all

E5 Did you feel that midwives and other carer gave you active support and encouragement?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, always	41%	44%	↑
Yes, generally	37%	42%	↑
No	22%	14%	↓
Number of respondents	23983	24421	

Answered by all

Care at home after the birth

F1 When you were at home after the birth of your baby did you have the name and telephone number of a midwife or health visitor you could contact if you were worried?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	95%	95%	
No	5%	5%	
Number of respondents	25573	25004	

Answered by All

F2 If you contacted a midwife or health visitor, were you given the help you needed?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, always	75%
Yes, sometimes	21%
No	4%
Number of respondents	17167

Answered by all

F3 Since your baby's birth have you been visited at home by a midwife?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	99%	99%	
No, I visited the midwife or saw a midwife in a clinic	1%	1%	
No, I was not offered a visit	0%	0%	
Number of respondents	25602	25009	

Answered by all

F4 How many times in total did you see a midwife after you went home?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
1-2	15%	22%	↑
3-4	48%	54%	↑
5-6	23%	18%	↓
7 times or more	14%	7%	↓
Number of respondents	25185	24614	

Answered by all women who saw a midwife following their baby's birth

F5 Would you have liked to have seen a midwife...

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
More often?	21%	21%	
Less often?	3%	4%	↑
I saw a midwife as much as I wanted	76%	75%	↓
Number of respondents	25667	24812	

Answered by all women who saw a midwife following their baby's birth

F6 In the six weeks after the birth of your baby did you receive help and advice from health professionals about feeding your baby?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, definitely	56%	52%	↓
Yes, to some extent	33%	35%	↑
No	11%	13%	↑
Number of respondents	21979	21937	

Answered by all

F7 In the six weeks after the birth of your baby did you receive help and advice from health professionals about your baby's health and progress?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes, definitely	58%	60%	↑
Yes, to some extent	34%	34%	
No	8%	7%	↓
Number of respondents	23403	24029	

Answered by all

F8 Did you have a postnatal check-up of your own health? (Around 4-8 weeks after the birth)

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes	89%
No	11%
Number of respondents	25018

Answered by all

F9 Were you given enough information about your own recovery after the birth?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	42%
Yes, to some extent	40%
No	18%
Number of respondents	24393

Answered by all

F10 Were you given enough information about any emotional changes you might experience after the birth?

	Survey Year
	2010
Yes, definitely	42%
Yes, to some extent	37%
No	21%
Number of respondents	23511

Answered by all

F11 Were you given information or offered advice from a health professional about contraception?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	92%	92%	
No	8%	8%	
Number of respondents	25484	24894	

Answered by all

F12 Overall, how would you rate the care received after the birth?

	Survey Year
	2010
Excellent	31%
Very good	36%
Good	22%
Fair	8%
Poor	3%
Number of respondents	25082

Answered by all

You and your household

G1 Have you had a previous pregnancy?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
Yes	57%	56%	
No	43%	44%	
Number of respondents	25794	25189	

Answered by all

G2 How many babies have you given birth to before this pregnancy?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
None	10%	10%	↑
1-2	80%	80%	
3 or more	10%	10%	
Number of respondents	14702	14213	

Answered by all women who have had a previous pregnancy

G3 In what year were you born?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
16-18 yr olds	2%	1%	↓
19-24 yr olds	15%	13%	↓
25-29 yr olds	23%	23%	
30-34 yr olds	32%	33%	↑
35 and over	28%	29%	↑
Number of respondents	26042	25488	

Answered by all – data taking from survey responses but if missing taken from sample data

G4 Who do you live with now?

	Survey Year
	2010
I live alone	7%
With a partner/husband/boyfriend	87%
With family members other than partner/husband/boyfriend	5%
With friends	0%
Other	1%
Number of respondents	24986

Answered by all

G5 What language do you speak most often at home?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
English	92%	88%	↓
Other European language	3%	5%	↑
Asian language	4%	5%	↑
African language	1%	1%	↑
Other, including British Sign Language	1%	1%	
Number of respondents	25347	24941	

Answered by all

G6 Do you have any of the following long-standing conditions? Tick all that apply

	Survey Year
	2010
I have a long-standing condition involving deafness or hearing impairment	1%
I have a long-standing condition involving blindness or partially sighted	0%
I have a long-standing condition involving a physical condition	2%
I have a long-standing condition involving a learning disability	1%
I have a long-standing condition involving a mental health condition	2%
I have a long-standing condition involving an illness such as cancer, HIV, diabetes, CHD, or epilepsy	2%
I do not have a long-standing condition	94%
Total specific responses	24155

Answered by all

G8. To which of these ethnic groups would you say that you belong?

	Survey Year		Significant change between 07 and 10
	2007	2010	
White	87%	86%	↓
Mixed	2%	2%	
Asian or Asian British	6%	7%	↑
Black or Black British	5%	4%	
Chinese or other ethnic group	1%	1%	
Number of respondents	25593	24897	

Answered by all - response data only

Cross-tabulations

The below tables are 'cross-tabulations' of questions on birth position, which means that the results are analysed together to understand the association between them.

C8: What position were you in when your baby was born? By C6: Thinking about the birth of your baby, what kind of delivery did you have?

	Type of delivery			
	A normal vaginal delivery		An assisted vaginal delivery	
	2007	2010	2007	2010
Position when the baby was born				
Sitting / sitting supported by pillows	29%	21%	6%	5%
On my side	6%	6%	-	-
Standing, squatting or kneeling	15%	16%	-	-
Lying / lying supported by pillows	35%	38%	5%	6%
Lying with legs in stirrups	14%	16%	89%	88%
Other	2%	3%	1%	1%

Answered by all women who had a vaginal delivery