





This is a survey completed by mainly adults with Asperger Syndrome. This survey ask various questions about the services they receive and their experiences of their difficulties. From the findings of this survey recommendations are proposed.

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Asperger Norfolk
Autism London
autism.west midlands
Leicestershire Autistic Society
Nottingham Society for Autistic Adults and Children
Scottish Society for Autism
Strathclyde Autistic Society
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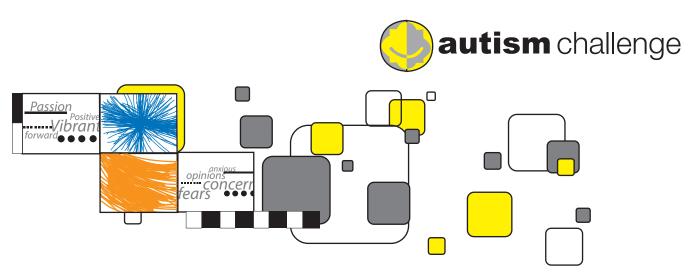
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The **Asperger Syndrome** Survey Report

National Summary

if there was a public conference for people with Asperger syndrome, would you want to be part of it?

Yes 77% No 33%

If yes, what subjects or issues would you like to be included

Key Services 35% Work/Training 81% Socialising 81%

Relationships 75% Friendships 71% Society Attitude 69%

Housing 52%

Are you happy with all the services you have? National Autistic Society

Very Happy 16% Happy 19% Neither 58%

Unhappy 6% Very Unhappy 0%

Local Autistic Society

Very Happy 2% Happy 32% Neither 29%

Unhappy 6% Very Unhappy 31%

Social Services

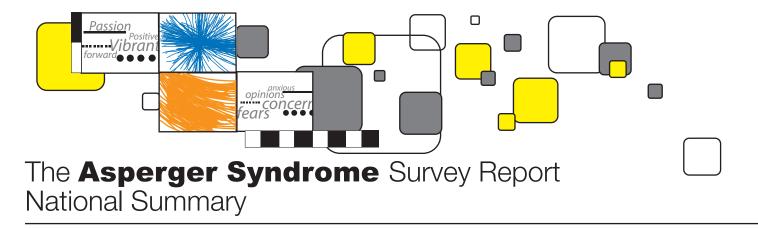
Very Happy 10% Happy 19% Neither 45%

Unhappy 10% Very Unhappy 10%

Mental Health Services

Very Happy 7% Happy 16% Neither 48%

Unhappy 7% Very Unhappy 16%



Are you a National Autistic Society member?

Yes 29% No 71%

Are you a Local Autistic Society member?

Yes 68% No 32%

Do you have a social worker?

Yes 42% No 58%

How easy is it for you to explain Asperger Syndrome to others?

Very Easy 6% Fine 21% Neither 13%

Hard 23% Difficult 37%

What subjects you find difficult to manage?

| Socialising | 60% |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Being Understood | 66% |
| Dealing with others people | 69% |
| On the spot decision making | 68% |
| A Person who don't understand me | 69% |
| Practical Tasks | 45% |
| Literacy | 23% |
| Numerary | 34% |
| A Person speaking aggressively to you | 74% |
| Other | 26% |

Number of participants 62

Participating areas Glasgow & Strathclyde, Fife, West Midlands region, Gloucestershire, Nottinghamshire, Leciestershire, Norfolk, London and the Wessex



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