

# Adults at home

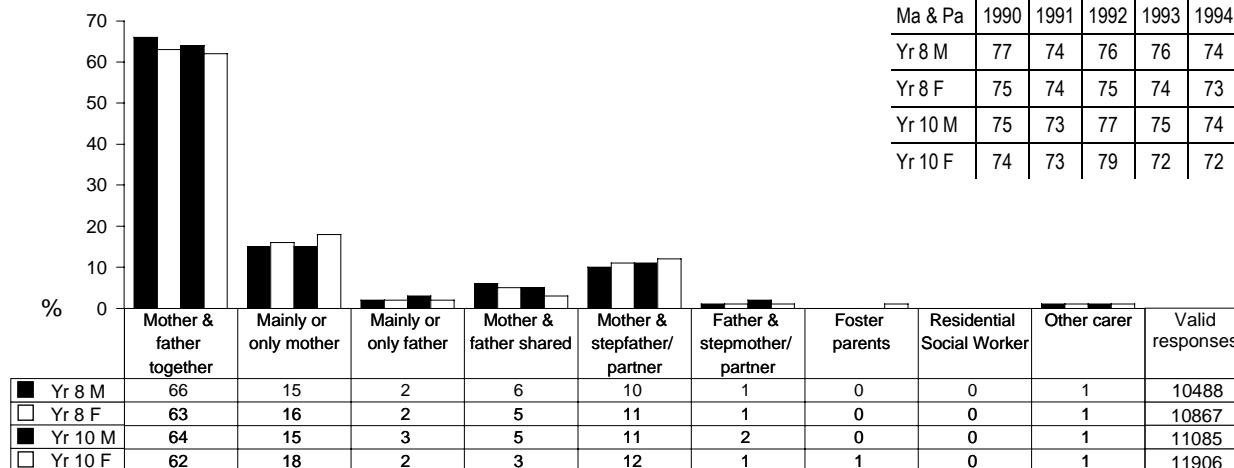
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## Which adults do you live with?

1. Up to 66% of the respondents live with *mother & father*.
2. If they live with just one parent their *mother* is more likely than their *father* to be present.

## Comments

1. In the case of the *mainly or only mother* category, some of these young people may have been brought up by a single parent from the beginning, while others may be with a parent who has separated.
2. It is often observed that the children of single or divorced parents fare worse, for example being more prone to depression, perhaps because of the trauma of the previous relationship, the likely poorer economic circumstances and other related factors. On the other hand, they may be in a better situation emotionally than if their parents had stayed together.
3. The table below, 1990-2006, shows the percentage of those pupils living with 'Mother and Father together'. A downward trend, of around 10% over 16 years, is apparent.



Ma & Pa	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Yr 8 M	77	74	76	76	74	71	71	70	68	70	67	66	66	63	65	61	66
Yr 8 F	75	74	75	74	73	70	69	71	69	67	64	61	64	60	64	60	63
Yr 10 M	75	73	77	75	74	71	71	70	69	67	67	65	66	63	64	62	64
Yr 10 F	74	73	79	72	72	69	69	70	68	65	64	63	64	60	61	58	62