

Annex A to FamCAS Main Report

Armed Forces Families Surveys 2023

Please note the RN/RM and RAF surveys are available online only.

The Army survey was available online and in paper format.

A transcript of the online surveys for all three Services are provided here.

Royal Navy and Royal Marines Families Survey 2023

The Ministry of Defence is now in its first year of implementing the new Armed Forces Families Strategy (published Jan 2022 and guiding policy until 2032). Whilst this document signals our broad intent and sets out specific themes under which we will be concentrating our efforts, the action plans that are being developed from it will be shaped by a range of factors including our developing understanding of what life is really like for Service families.

The Families Continuous Attitude Survey (FamCAS) plays a significant part in this process. The metrics of FamCAS offer us an incomparably valuable data set stretching back 10 years before the publication of this ambitious strategy. The feedback that we receive through this and other sources will also help us assess whether we are achieving the goals we have set ourselves. Each completed survey offers a slightly more complete picture and the more survey responses that we receive, the clearer and more representative this picture becomes. The results of this survey will be available on the Government website.

We are clear that whilst the unique demands associated with service will remain, the Ministry of Defence is committed to reducing the family related frictions that arise from these and to ensure that family life and military life are as compatible as possible.

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What is this survey about?

The Royal Navy and Royal Marines Families Survey (FAMCAS) provides RN and RM spouses/civil partners with an opportunity to share their views on what Service life is like. The survey asks questions about key areas including family life, childcare, deployment, education, employment, healthcare, and housing.

Why have I received this survey?

The RN/RM Families Survey is sent to a random sample of Service personnel each year, located both within the UK and overseas, inviting their families to participate.

How are the findings used?

The results from the survey are used to aid the assessment and development of Service personnel policies and initiatives, including the Armed Forces Covenant.

I am also serving. Do I still need to complete it?

We are interested in capturing the views of both military and civilian partners. If you and your spouse/civil partner are both serving in the Armed Forces, this survey should be completed by the spouse/civil partner of the named recipient of the survey.

Do I have to complete the survey?

No. Whilst completion is entirely voluntary, we encourage recipients to tell us their views so that we can make positive changes in the RN and RM.

Are my answers confidential?

All replies will be treated in the strictest confidence and are completely anonymous.

When is the deadline?

Please complete the online survey by **09 May 2023**.

Why do I have to enter my partner's service number?

To ensure that only those families of RN and RM personnel invited to take part are able to complete the survey, participants are required to input an access code (partner's service number) before entering the online survey. Please note that this access code is **not** linked to your responses and it is impossible to link responses to Service personnel. The access code is simply used as a security precaution.

Who should I contact for further information?

If you have any queries then please feel free to contact the Research Psychology Team at NAVYNPS-RSCHMAILBOX@mod.gov.uk (mailto:NAVYNPS-RSCHMAILBOX@mod.gov.uk).

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There are 108 questions in this survey.

SECTION A: ABOUT YOU

Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM? *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

This survey should be completed by your **SPOUSE/CIVIL PARTNER.**

Please click 'Exit and clear survey' above and forward the survey link to your partner.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'No' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Where do you currently live? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Bath/Bristol
- Chivenor
- Culdrose
- Faslane
- London
- Lympstone
- Northwood
- Plymouth
- Poole
- Portsmouth
- Rosyth
- Taunton
- Wittering
- Yeovilton
- England but none of the above
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland but none of the above
- Wales
- Outside of the UK, please specify which country

Make a comment on your choice here:

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are applicable to the RN/RM population. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

If you currently live in England, which region do you live in?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yeovilton ' or 'Wittering' or 'Taunton' or 'Portsmouth' or 'Poole' or 'Northwood' or 'Plymouth' or 'London' or 'Lymstone' or 'Culdrose' or 'Chivenor' or 'Bath/Bristol' or 'England but none of the above' at question '3 [A2a]' (Where do you currently live?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- East Midlands
- East of England
- London
- North East England
- North West England
- South East England
- South West England
- West Midlands
- Yorkshire and the Humber

What is your spouse/civil partner's rank? (Please select one option only) *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Commodore / Brigadier / Chaplain of the Fleet (or above)
- Captain RN / Colonel / Principal Chaplain
- Commander / Lieutenant Colonel
- Lieutenant Commander / Major / Chaplain
- Lieutenant / Captain (RM)
- Sub Lieutenant / 2nd Lieutenant
- Warrant Officer 1
- Warrant Officer 2
- Chief Petty Officer / Colour Sergeant
- Petty Officer / Sergeant
- Leading Rate / Corporal
- Lance Corporal
- Able Rate / Marine

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are applicable to the RN/RM population. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

Is your spouse/civil partner...? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

RN

RM

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are applicable to the RN/RM population. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

Do you live separately from your spouse/civil partner during the working week?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If yes, how often do you see your spouse/civil partner?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '7 [A5]' (Do you live separately from your spouse/civil partner during the working week?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Weekly
- Fortnightly
- Monthly
- Less than monthly
- Other

Where is your spouse/civil partner currently stationed (if currently on duty on a ship or submarine please indicate where their base port is)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Outside the UK, please specify which country

Make a comment on your choice here:

What is your spouse/civil partner's Arm or Service?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- General Service
- RN Submarine Service
- RN Fleet Air Arm
- RM General Service
- RM Band Service

How old are you?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Only numbers may be entered in this field.

Please write your answer here:

years old

What is your sex?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to say

Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am still serving as a Regular
- Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist
- Yes, but I am no longer serving
- No, I have never served

Are you currently registered to vote?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, and I registered without difficulty
- Yes, but I had some difficulty registering
- No, I chose not to register
- No, I was not able to register
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

If yes, which registration option did you use?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, and I registered without difficulty ' or 'Yes, but I had some difficulty registering ' at question '14 [A12]' (Are you currently registered to vote?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I'm registered as an ordinary/residential voter (registered for 1 year, via the annual update of voters (annual canvass))
- I'm registered as a Service voter (registered for 5 years, via a Service declaration)
- I'm registered as an overseas voter (registered for 1 year, in the same way as non-Forces British citizens living overseas)
- Don't know

What is the highest level of qualification you have completed? Please tick just one box.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Secondary Education (GCSE/O-Levels)
- Post-Secondary Education (College, A-Levels, NVQ 3 or below, or similar)
- Vocational Qualification (Diploma, Certificate, BTEC, NVQ 4 and above, or similar)
- Undergraduate Degree (BA, BSc, etc.)
- Post-graduate Degree (MA, MSc, PhD, etc.)
- Professional Qualification (e.g. teaching, nursing, accounting, civil engineering)
- Other
- Prefer not to say

We are asking this question because policy teams would like to understand how this correlates with levels of employment and to understand how policy can be shaped to help support those seeking employment.

If you answered 'Other' as your highest level of education, please specify qualification.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Other' at question '16 [A13]' (What is the highest level of qualification you have completed? Please tick just one box.)

Please write your answer here:

What is your nationality?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- English
- Scottish
- Welsh
- Northern Irish
- Irish (Republic of Ireland)
- Non UK
- Prefer not to say

We are asking about Nationality because policy holders would like to understand how many non-UK partners and spouses they are supporting and what aspects of support need to be improved.

If you selected Non UK for your nationality, please could you tell us which country?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Non UK' at question '18 [A14]' (What is your nationality?)

Please write your answer here:

SECTION B: YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT SERVICE LIFE

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / N/A
In general, the RN/RM provides a good level of support for families of serving personnel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In general, my life is more difficult than that of friends whose partner is not in the RN/RM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My family benefits from being a RN/RM family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel part of the wider Naval community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have friends among other RN/RM families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I sometimes feel unsupported by the RN/RM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to get the information I need about support offered to me by the RN/RM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel valued by the RN/RM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I support my partner's career in the RN/RM	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please could you specify how the RN/RM can make you feel valued?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied are you with your quality of life, as a RN/RM family?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Have you ever started a discussion with your partner about leaving the service in the last 2 years?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, very often
- Yes, often
- Yes, occasionally
- No

Please could you specify why you have discussed leaving the service with your partner?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, very often' *or* 'Yes, often' *or* 'Yes, occasionally ' at question '23 [B3]' (Have you ever started a discussion with your partner about leaving the service in the last 2 years?)

Please write your answer here:

How would you feel if your partner chose to leave the RN/RM?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I would be much happier
- I would be happier
- I would be no different
- I would be less happy
- I would be much less happy
- Don't know

Do you think each of the following aspects of your life would be better or worse if your partner left the RN/RM?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Much better	Better	No change	Worse	Much worse	Don't know / N/A
Your career prospects	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your standard of housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your relationship with your partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your children's education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your social life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	N/A
The amount of leave given to my spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your spouse/civil partner's views are taken into consideration when assignments (formerly drafts or posting) are planned	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The amount of notice your partner is given on assignments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the past 12 months, approximately how much time has your spouse/civil partner spent away from home for Service reasons?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Not been away
- Up to 1 month
- Up to 3 months
- Up to 6 months
- Up to 9 months
- Up to 12 months
- N/A

SECTION C: HOUSING

Have you moved in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

How many times have you moved for Service reasons over the last 5 years?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- None
- Once
- Twice
- Three times
- More than three times

Do you own your own home?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am living in it
- Yes, but not living in it
- No
- No, but I am currently saving to buy a house in the future

If you don't own your own home, which of the following statements apply to you? (Select all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'No, but I am currently saving to buy a house in the future' or 'No ' at question '31 [C3]' (Do you own your own home?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)
- Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present than home ownership
- I/we want to be able to move with my spouse/civil partner when he/she is posted
- I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located
- I am expecting my spouse/civil partner to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home
- I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment
- I/we don't want to risk losing money
- I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home
- I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage
- Other reason

What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? (Select one option only)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Living Accommodation (SSSA) (formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

What type of accommodation would you prefer to live in during the working week? (Select one option only)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Living Accommodation (SSSA) (formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

If you live in SFA or SSFA, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Service Family Accommodation (SFA)' or 'Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)' at question '33 [C5]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? (Select one option only))

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
The overall standard	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The value for money	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The response to requests for maintenance/repair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The quality of maintenance/repair work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How fairly Service accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The security of your SFA/SSFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The cleanliness of your accommodation when moving in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The speed at which accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The administrative process of applying for accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you live in privately rented accommodation, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Privately rented accommodation' at question '33 [C5]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? (Select one option only))

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
The opportunity to live in non-service accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The accommodation I live in meets my needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following regarding SFA/SSFA?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Service Family Accommodation (SFA)' or 'Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)' at question '33 [C5]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? (Select one option only))

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / N/A
I feel the Service expects me to live in SFA/SSFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The frequency of drafts/assignments means it is easier to live in SFA/SSFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I live in SFA/SSFA because other accommodation is too expensive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I live in SFA/SSFA because no other accommodation is available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you **do not** live in the same area as your spouse's/civil partner's work location, what is the **main** reason for not doing so?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Children's education
- Childcare issues
- Continuity of my education/course
- I do not wish to live in the area where my spouse/civil partner works
- I have settled in my own home
- I have settled in Service Accommodation where I prefer to live
- My career/employment
- No family nearby
- Poor Service Family Accommodation (i.e. SFA/SSFA)
- Other

SECTION D: CHILDCARE AND CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Do you have any children?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you have children, how many children do you have in the following age groups?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please write your answer(s) here:

Under 5 years:

5-11 years:

12-17 years:

18 years or older, in full-time education:

18 years or older, not in full-time education :

Please type the number of children in each box. If you don't have any children of that age please put '0'.

Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Have you been able to access early years (0-4 years) childcare?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '41 [D3a]' (Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If you could not access early years (0-4 years) childcare, what difficulties did you have?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'No' at question '42 [D3b]' (Have you been able to access early years (0-4 years) childcare?)

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local early years (0-4 years) childcare facilities?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '41 [D3a]' (Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Access (e.g. distance, transportation, waiting lists)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you needed childcare for school age children in the last 12 months (eg breakfast clubs, after school clubs, child-minder, pickups, school holiday clubs etc)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local childcare for school age children...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '45 [D5]' (Have you needed childcare for school age children in the last 12 months (eg breakfast clubs, after school clubs, child-minder, pickups, school holiday clubs etc)?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you currently access any forms of free informal childcare for any of your children? (e.g. grandparents, extended family, friends, etc.)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, at least weekly
- Yes, at least monthly but less than weekly
- Yes, occasionally
- No - I am not able to (e.g. family do not live nearby)
- No - I do not need to

Do you currently take up the offer of any Government initiatives around childcare? (Please tick all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Salary Sacrifice Scheme
- Tax-Free Childcare Accounts
- Free Childcare Hours
- Other
- No I do not currently use any Government initiatives around childcare

If not, what is the main reason? (Please tick one box only)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was at question '48 [D8]' (Do you currently take up the offer of any Government initiatives around childcare? (Please tick all that apply))

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I am not aware of these schemes
- I do not think I am eligible for any of these schemes
- I do not need any of these schemes
- The schemes do not suit my personal circumstances
- The process is too difficult/time consuming
- Other

Do you have any children of school age?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you have children of school age, please tell us the number of children you have at each type of school.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?)

Please write your answer(s) here:

State school:

MoD (Service) school:

Independent day school:

Independent boarding school:

Home schooling (by choice, not due to COVID-19)

Other

If you do not have any children at that type of school please put '0'.

If you selected "Other" for the type of school, please specify.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was greater than '0' at question '51 [D11]' (If you have children of school age, please tell us the number of children you have at each type of school. (Other))

Please write your answer here:

Do you receive Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

If any of your children changed schools in the last 12 months, were you able to apply within the timeframe for the normal point of entry to a school (i.e. within the school's application period for the beginning of Reception, Year 7 or Year 12 or equivalent)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons ' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a state school?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons ' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Which of the following best describes your child's school allocation? Please select one box only.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons ' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '56 [D15]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a state school?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '56 [D15]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a state school?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- My child was allocated a place at their 1st choice of school
- My child was allocated a place at their 2nd or 3rd choice of school
- My child was not allocated a place at one of their 3 preferred choices
- Other (please add more detail in the text box)

Make a comment on your choice here:

Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons ' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '56 [D15]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a state school?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '54 [D13]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '56 [D15]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a state school?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I was happy with their allocation
- I was not entirely happy with their allocation but chose not to appeal
- I appealed against their allocation

Please tell us about your experience of the appeals process?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'I appealed against their allocation' at question '58 [D17]' (Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?)

Please write your answer here:

Did you experience any difficulties with your children's schooling in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If yes, did you experience any of the following difficulties? (Select all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '50 [D10]' (Do you have any children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '60 [D19]' (Did you experience any difficulties with your children's schooling in the last 12 months?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Insufficient transportation to school
- Distance to school
- Getting a place at the school of your choice
- Getting enough information about schools in your area
- Not enough places at your local school
- Unsuitable educational standard of your local school
- Children could not attend the same school together
- Obtaining support for Special Educational Needs (SEN)
- School admission application period did not coincide with notification of assignment
- Local Authority was unsupportive
- Continuing your children's education without a gap
- Differences in syllabus
- Difficulties related to COVID-19
- Other difficulty

Please use the box at the end of the survey to tell us of any other difficulties.

SECTION E: HEALTHCARE

In this section we wish to ask you about the provision of healthcare services for Service families (excluding serving persons). If you and your spouse/civil partner are both currently serving in the Armed Forces and have no children there is no need to answer these questions.

In the last 12 months have you/your children been able to access the following healthcare services?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '13 [A11]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the text box at the end of the survey to tell us about the difficulties you may have encountered.

In the last 12 months, has your ability to access the following healthcare services been affected by COVID-19?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '13 [A11]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes	No	N/A
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including Orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please only complete this question if you have moved within the last 12 months.

If you/your children were undergoing a course of treatment with any of the following services at the time of your move, were you/your children able to continue the treatment in your new location?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '13 [A11]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '29 [C1]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '29 [C1]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to continue treatment	Not applicable – not undergoing treatment
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '13 [A11]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '29 [C1]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '29 [C1]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '39 [D1]' (Do you have any children?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, was the waiting time increased as a result of moving?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '65 [E3]' (In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Not Applicable

SECTION F: EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

What is your current employment status? (Select all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- In full-time employment
- In part-time employment
- Self-employed
- Homemaker/parent at home
- Not employed – seeking employment
- Not employed – not seeking employment
- In full-time education/personal development
- In part-time education
- My immigration status means I am unable to work
- Not applicable

If you have a job, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'In full-time employment ' or 'In part-time employment ' or 'Self-employed' at question '67 [F1]' (What is your current employment status? (Select all that apply))

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know	Not Applicable
Your job overall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your qualifications match your job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your job matches your skills and experiences	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, did you have any difficulty finding suitable employment?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '69 [F3]' (Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you experienced difficulty finding suitable employment, was it because of any of the following? (Select all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '70 [F4]' (If yes, did you have any difficulty finding suitable employment?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- A lack of relevant qualifications
- Your employment history (i.e. changing jobs frequently)
- Being overseas with your spouse/civil partner
- Having a spouse/civil partner who is often away
- Having a spouse/civil partner in the Armed Forces
- Access to affordable and quality childcare
- Partner unable to assist with care responsibilities
- Extended family live too far away to assist with childcare
- Other:

In the last 12 months have you or your family been able to...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Access Further or Higher Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Continue a course previously started	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse/civil partner on overseas assignments?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, were you able to...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '73 [F7]' (In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse/civil partner on overseas assignments?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Obtain paid employment overseas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access Service-provided information before moving overseas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If the MOD offered courses to help you find/change employment would you use them?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Which of the following would help you find/change employment? Tick all that apply.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '75 [F10]' (If the MOD offered courses to help you find/change employment would you use them?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- CV writing course
- Interview skills course
- Access to jobs database
- Career consultancy service
- Self-employment/small business course
- Other
- Not applicable

SECTION G: DEPLOYMENT

Do you know where to go for Service-provided welfare support and information while your spouse/civil partner is on an operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

What is your view of the frequency of operational tours?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too often
- About right
- Not often enough

What is your view of the length of operational tours?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too long
- About right
- Too short

When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Currently on operational tour
- In the last 12 months
- 1 to 2 years ago
- 3 to 5 years ago
- More than 5 years ago
- Not applicable

How satisfied were you with the following **BEFORE** your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Currently on operational tour' *or* 'In the last 12 months' *or* '1 to 2 years ago' at question '80 [G4]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command / unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following **DURING** your spouse/civil partner’s most recent operational tour...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was '1 to 2 years ago' or 'In the last 12 months' or 'Currently on operational tour' at question '80 [G4]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command/unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lines of communication with your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following **AFTER** your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was '1 to 2 years ago' or 'In the last 12 months' or 'Currently on operational tour' at question '80 [G4]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command/unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION H: COMMUNICATIONS AND SUPPORT

Below is a list of support services.

We would like to know which, if any, you have heard of.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- The Operational Welfare Package (OWP) - Family Welfare Grant
- RN FPS Portal - Welfare support and advice
- Royal Navy Community Centres
- Royal Navy pre-school provision, playgroup, crèche, etc....
- RN FPS Information Support (formally HIVE)
- Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)
- Official Social Media
- RN Forum
- Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)
- Naval Families Federation (NFF)
- Children's Education Advisory Service (CEAS)
- Seafarers Advice & Information Line (SAIL)
- Joining Forces CU
- Any other type of support services

What other type of support services have you heard of?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was at question '84 [H2]' (Below is a list of support services. We would like to know which, if any, you have heard of.)

Please write your answer here:

Below is a list of support services.

We would like to know which, if any, you have used.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)' or 'Official Social Media' or 'RN Forum' or 'Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)' or 'Naval Families Federation (NFF)' or 'Children's Education Advisory Service (CEAS)' or 'Seafarers Advice & Information Line (SAIL)' or 'Joining Forces CU' or 'Any other type of support services' or 'RN FPS Information Support (formally HIVE)' or 'Royal Navy pre-school provision, playgroup, crèche, etc....' or 'Royal Navy Community Centres' or 'RN FPS Portal - Welfare support and advice' or 'The Operational Welfare Package (OWP) - Family Welfare Grant' at question '84 [H2]' (Below is a list of support services. We would like to know which, if any, you have heard of.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- The Operational Welfare Package (OWP) - Family Welfare Grant
- RN FPS Portal - Welfare and social work support and advice
- Royal Navy Community Centres
- Royal Navy pre-school provision, playgroup, crèche, etc....
- RN FPS Information support (formally HIVE)
- Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)
- Official Social Media
- RN Forum
- Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)
- Naval Families Federation (NFF)
- Children's Education Advisory Service (CEAS)
- Seafarers Advice & Information Line (SAIL)
- Joining Forces CU
- Any Other Type of Support Services

What other type of support have you used?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was at question '86 [H4]' (Below is a list of support services. We would like to know which, if any, you have used.)

Please write your answer here:

Below is a list of support services.

If you have used any of the services below, how satisfied you were with it?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?) *and* Answer was 'Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)' or 'Official Social Media' or 'RN Forum' or 'Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)' or 'Naval Families Federation (NFF)' or 'Children's Education Advisory Service (CEAS)' or 'Seafarers Advice & Information Line (SAIL)' or 'Joining Forces CU' or 'Any Other Type of Support Services' or 'RN FPS Information support (formally HIVE)' or 'Royal Navy pre-school provision, playgroup, crèche, etc....' or 'Royal Navy Community Centres' or 'RN FPS Portal - Welfare and social work support and advice' or 'The Operational Welfare Package (OWP) - Family Welfare Grant' at question '86 [H4]' (Below is a list of support services. We would like to know which, if any, you have used.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
The Operational Welfare Package (OWP) - Family Welfare Grant	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RN FPS Portal - Welfare support and advice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Royal Navy Community Centres	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Royal Navy pre-school provision, playgroup, crèche, etc....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RN FPS Information Support (formally HIVE)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Official social media	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
RN Forum	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Naval Families Federation (NFF)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's Education Advisory Service (CEAS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Seafarers Advice & Information Line (SAIL)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joining Forces CU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Any Other Type of Support Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How would you rate the following?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very good	Good	Adequate	Poor	Very poor	Don't know / N/A
The information available to individuals whose spouse/civil partners are away on deployment/ exercises	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The support given by the RN/RM to individuals whose spouse/civil partners are away	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The amount of contact with spouse/civil partners when they are away on deployment/ exercises	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How does the RN/RM **currently** communicate with you?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	First choice	Second choice
By telephone/text	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By post	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By email	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Through your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via Armed Forces websites (e.g. gov.uk, RN FPS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via social media	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not currently receive any communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How would you **prefer** the RN/RM to communicate with you?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	First choice	Second choice
By telephone/text	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By post	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By email	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Through your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via Armed Forces websites (e.g. gov.uk, RN FPS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via social media	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not wish to receive any communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied are you with the following aspects of RN/RM information you receive?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Relevance to you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How clear the information is	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your view on the frequency of the communication you currently receive?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too often
- About right
- Not often enough

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Policies that are aimed at myself/my family (e.g., wraparound childcare) are communicated to me effectively by the RN/RM.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

In the past year have you been able to access facilities on your local base?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- No, I did not need to
- No, I have been unable to
- Yes, but with some difficulty
- Yes, easily

Is your spouse/civil partner's parent unit your local base?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If you were easily able to access your local base, would you use the facilities?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Taking into consideration all things which you think are important, how favourable or unfavourable is your overall opinion of the RN/RM?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very favourable
- Favourable
- Neutral
- Unfavourable
- Very unfavourable

SECTION I: ARMED FORCES COVENANT

Which of the following best sums up your awareness of the Armed Forces Covenant?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I've never heard of it
- I've heard of it but know nothing about it
- I've heard of it and know a little about it
- I've heard of it and know a lot about it

For details of the Covenant please follow the link at the end of the survey.

How advantaged or disadvantaged do you feel when you compare yourself to the general public on these Covenant issues...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very advantaged	Advantaged	Neither advantaged nor disadvantaged	Disadvantaged	Very disadvantaged	Don't know / Not applicable
Housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to commercial products & services (i.e. insurance, mobile, broadband, financial products and services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Are there any other areas in which you feel particularly *advantaged* when compared to the general public?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please write your answer here:

Are there any other areas in which you feel particularly *disadvantaged* when compared to the general public?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please write your answer here:

How positive or negative do you feel about the following aspects of Service family life...?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Effect on my career	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on my children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Service provided facilities (housing, Messes etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on relationship with my spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Number of house moves	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Household income	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Knowing other military families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community support for my family (Chaplaincy, Community Support Officer, coffee shop etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Amount of separation from spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prospects of buying own home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Opportunities for travel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pride in my spouse/civil partner being in the Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION J: WELL-BEING

As part of measuring national well-being we are interested to understand how satisfied you are with your life in general.

The questions below are not linked particularly to the Service but to your life in general.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	0 - Not at all	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Comple
Overall, how satisfied are you with life nowadays?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How often do you feel lonely?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Often/always
- Some of the time
- Occasionally
- Hardly ever
- Never

SECTION K: ANY OTHER COMMENTS

If you have any other comments about the RN/RM, please add them here.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please write your answer here:

This survey is:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too long
- About right
- Too short

How long did it take you to complete this survey?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [A1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RN/RM?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Less than 10 minutes
- 10-20 minutes
- 20-30 minutes
- 30-40 minutes
- 40-50 minutes
- 50-60 minutes
- Over an hour

Thank you very much for completing this survey. You may now close this page.

Please see the link below for details of the Armed Forces Covenant:

<https://www.armedforcescovenant.gov.uk/> (<https://www.armedforcescovenant.gov.uk/>)

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Submit your survey.

Thank you for completing this survey.

Army - Families Continuous Attitude Survey (FAMCAS) 2023

We recommend using Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge to complete the survey

As a husband and a father, I know first-hand the pressure the Army places on our families and the sacrifices you make. It is really important that we hear your voice. The evidence we collect through the FAMCAS survey is critical, it underpins the arguments we make to change things for the better. Please take the time to fill out this survey – it's the only way we can truly reflect your views.

Thank you.

Major General Paul Griffiths

Director Personnel (D Pers)

About this survey.

Instructions for completing the survey

The survey should take about 25 minutes to complete.

Please note that the term spouse/civil partner used throughout this survey refers to the serving person that you are married to or in a civil partnership with.

Please put a tick in the box next to the answer that best applies to you in your CURRENT situation.

If you wish to amend your responses to any of the questions, please select 'Back'. Otherwise, please click 'Next' for your responses to be recorded. If you wish to visit the survey at a later date, please select 'Resume later'; if you close the window browser, all responses will be deleted. When you have completed the survey, please press 'Submit' for your views to be counted.

What is the difference between the paper survey and online survey?

You should receive both a paper copy of the survey and an email including a link to the online version of the survey. Both versions of the survey include the same set of questions and so it is up to you which version you would like to complete.

Why have I been invited to take part?

You have been selected at random along with a number of spouses and civil partners of personnel at each rank to take part in the survey in order to give a representative set of views.

Do I have to complete the survey?

No, completion is voluntary, however, the more data we receive the more accurate the findings.

I am also serving; do I still need to complete it?

We are interested in capturing the views of dual serving couples as they may face unique issues. If you and your spouse/partner are both serving in the Armed Forces, this survey should be completed by the spouse/civil partner of the named recipient of the survey.

How are the findings used?

The Army wants your views and values them hugely as they are used to aid the development and improvement of welfare support, military personnel policies and the Armed Forces Covenant. Please take the time to help us to help you and the wider military community.

Who will see my answers?

All responses are anonymous and will only be seen by Ministry of Defence researchers outside of the Chain of Command and external data input contractors.

Please be aware that this survey is exempt from any subject's access requests under Data Protection Act 2018 due to the anonymity of the data.

When is the deadline?

The deadline for the online survey is **9th May 2023**.

Who should I contact for more information?

If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact Annabel Parkyn via email ArmyPers-Strat-APRC-Survey@mod.gov.uk (<mailto:ArmyPers-Strat-APRC-Survey@mod.gov.uk>)

A message from the Armed Forces Families and Safeguarding team

“The Prime Minister will shortly endorse the UK Armed Forces Families Strategy 2021-31, This Strategy, and its associated Action Plan, has a dual focus: to inspire partnership working across the UK, honouring the enduring pledge of the Armed Forces Covenant; and to provide direction to policy makers, the single Services and public service providers to empower armed forces families to live rich and fulfilling lives alongside their loved ones.

As such, the Strategy provides both the context and the framework for the delivery of a range of practical interventions designed to strengthen and improve policies and service provision across the armed forces families' agenda, leading to improved retention and enhanced operational effectiveness.

The strategy is therefore underpinned not only by a moral force but also by practical considerations around the link between strong family support, the health and wellbeing of the family unit and both retention and enhanced operational effectiveness. Measuring the success of the Armed Forces Families Strategy and Plan will be critical, and the Families Continuous Attitude Survey will provide essential evidence in measuring that success.”

Thank you.

Peter Davis
(Head Armed Forces Families & Safeguarding)

Please ensure you are using Google Chrome to complete the survey

There are 121 questions in this survey.

Consent Information

I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research. *

❗ Choose one of the following answers
Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Please note, if you do not tick 'yes' to indicate your consent, your responses **cannot** be submitted for review.

About you

ABOUT YOU

Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

This is meant for the spouse / civil partner of Regular Army personnel.

If this is not you, please click on 'RESUME LATER' or 'EXIT AND CLEAR SURVEY' or 'PREVIOUS' and then send the email link to your partner.

Please DO NOT click on 'Next' as this terminates the survey and your spouse/civil partner will not be able to complete the online survey.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'No' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Where do you currently live? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Germany
- Cyprus
- Other overseas

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are reliable. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

If you currently live in England, which region do you live?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'England ' at question '4 [Q2]' (Where do you currently live?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- East Midlands
- East of England
- London
- North East England
- North West England
- South East England
- South West England
- West Midlands
- Yorkshire and the Humber

What is your spouse/civil partner's rank? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Brigadier and above
- Colonel
- Lieutenant Colonel
- Major
- Captain
- Lieutenant
- 2nd Lieutenant
- Warrant Officer Class 1
- Warrant Officer Class 2
- Colour Sergeant/Staff Sergeant
- Sergeant
- Corporal
- Lance Corporal
- Private

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are reliable. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

Where is your spouse/civil partner currently stationed?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Germany
- Cyprus
- Other overseas

Have you moved in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

How many times have you moved for Service reasons over the last 5 years?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- None
- Once
- Twice
- Three times
- More than three times

For your last move for Service reasons, how much notice did you have to move?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Only numbers may be entered in this field.

Please write your answer here:

weeks

If you moved in the last 12 months for other reasons, what was the main reason?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Your employment
- Children's schools
- Landlord issuing notice 'to vacate'
- Other - please specify in comment box

Make a comment on your choice here:

How old are you?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Only numbers may be entered in this field.

Please write your answer here:

years

What is your sex?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to say

What is the highest level of qualification you have completed?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Secondary Education (GCSE/O-Levels)
- Post-Secondary Education (College, A-Levels, NVQ 3 or below, or similar)
- Vocational Qualification (Diploma, Certificate, BTEC, NVQ 4 and above, or similar)
- Undergraduate Degree (BA, BSc, etc.)
- Post-graduate Degree (MA, MSc, PhD, etc.)
- Professional Qualification (e.g. teaching, nursing, accounting, civil engineering)
- Other (please specify in comment box)
- Prefer not to say

Make a comment on your choice here:

We are asking about qualifications because policy teams would like to understand how this correlates with levels of employment, and to understand how policy can be shaped to help support those seeking employment.

What is your nationality?

We are asking about Nationality because policy holders would like to understand how many Non-UK partners and spouses they are supporting and what aspects of support need to be improved.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- English
- Scottish
- Welsh
- Northern Irish
- Irish (Republic of Ireland)
- Non-UK (Please specify country in comment box)
- Prefer not to say

Make a comment on your choice here:

Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am still serving as a Regular
- Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist
- Yes, but I am no longer serving
- No, I have never served

Do you live separately from your spouse/civil partner during the working week?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you live separately, how often do you see your spouse/civil partner?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '17 [Q10]' (Do you live separately from your spouse/civil partner during the working week?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Weekly
- Fortnightly
- Monthly
- Less than monthly
- Other

In the past 12 months, approximately how much time has your spouse/civil partner spent away from home for Service reasons?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Not been away
- Up to 1 month
- Up to 3 months
- Up to 6 months
- Up to 9 months
- Up to 12 months
- Not applicable

In the past year have you been able to access facilities on your local base?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- No, I did not need to
- No, I have been unable to
- Yes, but with some difficulty
- Yes, easily

Is your spouse/civil partner's parent unit your local base?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If you were easily able to access your local base, would you use the facilities?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Electoral registration

ELECTORAL REGISTRATION

Are you currently registered to vote?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, and I registered without difficulty
- Yes, but I had some difficulty registering
- No, I chose not to register
- No, I was not able to register
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

If yes, which registration option did you use?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes, but I had some difficulty registering' *or* 'Yes, and I registered without difficulty' at question '23 [Q13]' (Are you currently registered to vote?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I'm registered as an ordinary/residential voter (registered for one year, via the annual update of voters (annual canvass))
- I'm registered as a Service voter (registered for five years, via a service declaration)
- I'm registered as an overseas voter (registered for one year, in the same way as a non-forces British citizen living overseas)
- Don't know

You can register to vote at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

Childcare and Children's Education

CHILDCARE & CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Do you have any children?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗣️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

How many children do you have? *(Please type the number of children in each box. If you do not have any children in the age group please insert '0')*

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Only numbers may be entered in these fields.

Please write your answer(s) here:

Under 5 years

5-11 years

12-17 years

18 years or older, in full time education

18 years or older, NOT in full time education

Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If yes, have you been able to access early years (0-4 years) childcare?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '27 [Q17]' (Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If no, what difficulties have you had accessing early years childcare (0-4 years)? (Please specify)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'No' at question '28 [Q18]' (If yes, have you been able to access early years (0-4 years) childcare?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local early years (0-4 years) childcare facilities?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '27 [Q17]' (Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Access (eg distance, transportation, waiting lists)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you needed childcare for school age children in the last 12 months (e.g. breakfast clubs, after school clubs, child-minder pickups, school holiday clubs)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local childcare for school age children?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '31 [Q20]' (Have you needed childcare for school age children in the last 12 months (e.g.breakfast clubs, after school clubs, child-minder pickups, school holiday clubs)?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you currently access any forms of free informal childcare for any of your children (e.g. grandparents, extended family, friends, etc.)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, at least weekly
- Yes, at least monthly but less than weekly
- Yes, occasionally
- No, I am not able to (e.g. Family do not live nearby)
- No, I do not need to

Where do you access the majority of your childcare (formal or informal)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Close to work
- Close to home
- Close to school
- Not applicable

Other

Do you currently take up the offer of any Government initiatives around childcare?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗨️ Check all that apply

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Salary Sacrifice Scheme
- Tax-Free Childcare Accounts
- Free Childcare hours
- Other
- No I do not currently use any Government initiatives around childcare

If not, please tell us why?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'No I do not currently use any Government initiatives around childcare' at question '35 [Q24]' (Do you currently take up the offer of any Government initiatives around childcare?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗣️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I am not aware of these schemes
- I do not think I am eligible for any of these schemes
- I do not need any of these schemes
- The schemes do not suit my personal circumstances
- The process is too difficult/time-consuming
- Other

Do you have children of school age?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗣️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Please tell us the number of children you have at each type of school. *(If you do not have any children at that type of school please put '0').*

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Only numbers may be entered in these fields.

Please write your answer(s) here:

State school

MOD (Service) school

Independent day school

Independent boarding school

Home schooling (by choice not due to Covid-19)

Other

If your children go to 'Other' type of school can you please tell us what type.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was greater than '0' at question '38 [Q27]' (Please tell us the number of children you have at each type of school. (If you do not have any children at that type of school please put '0'). (Home schooling (by choice not due to Covid-19))) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

Do you receive CEA (Continuity of Education Allowance)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Whether you use it or not, is CEA an important part of the Army employment package?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Do you find CEA policy easy to understand and follow?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- Some of it, not all
- No

If you claim CEA, does it place pressure on you and your family to ensure your spouse is compliant with policy guidelines?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, a lot
- Some pressure
- Not much
- No pressure

Did you experience any difficulties with your children's schooling in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, did you experience any of the following difficulties?

Choose all that apply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '44 [Q32]' (Did you experience any difficulties with your children's schooling in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Insufficient transportation to school
- Distance to school
- Getting a place at the school of your choice
- Getting enough information about schools in your area
- Not enough places at your local school
- Unsuitable educational standard of your local school
- Children could not attend the same school together
- Obtaining support for Special Educational Needs (SEN)
- School admission application period did not coincide with notification of assignment
- Local Authority was unsupportive
- Continuing your children's education without a gap
- Differences in syllabus
- Difficulties related to COVID-19
- Other

Please use the box at the end of the survey to tell us of any other difficulties.

Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, were you able to apply within the timeframe for the normal point of entry to a school (i.e. within the school application period for the beginning of Reception, Year 7 or Year 12 or equivalent)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Which of the following best describes your child's state school allocation?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- My child was allocated a place at their 1st choice of school
- My child was allocated a place at their 2nd or 3rd choice of school
- My child was not allocated a place at one of their 3 preferred choices
- Other - please specify in comment box

Make a comment on your choice here:

Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I was happy with their allocation
- I was not entirely happy with their allocation but chose not to appeal
- I appealed against their allocation

Please tell us about your experience of the appeals process:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?) *and* Answer was 'I appealed against their allocation' at question '50 [Q38]' (Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '37 [Q26]' (Do you have children of school age?) *and* Answer was 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '46 [Q34]' (Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '48 [Q36]' (If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?) *and* Answer was 'I appealed against their allocation' at question '50 [Q38]' (Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?)

Please write your answer here:

Healthcare

HEALTHCARE

In this section we wish to ask about the provision of healthcare services for Service families (excluding any serving personnel).

If you and your spouse/civil partner are both currently serving in the Armed Forces and have no children, please go to the next section (Accommodation).

In the last 12 months, have you/your children been able to access the following healthcare services?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '16 [Q9]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the text box at the end of the survey to tell us about the difficulties you may have encountered.

In the last 12 months, has your ability to access the following healthcare services been affected by COVID-19?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '16 [Q9]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes	No	Not Applicable
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you/your children were undergoing a course of treatment with any of the following services at the time of your move, were you/your children able to continue the treatment in your new location?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '16 [Q9]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to continue treatment	Not applicable - Not undergoing treatment
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist' at question '16 [Q9]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was less than or equal to 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If yes, was the waiting time increased as a result of moving?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

----- Scenario 1 -----

Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' or 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was NOT 'Yes, I am still serving as a Regular' at question '16 [Q9]' (Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '55 [Q42]' (In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

----- or Scenario 2 -----

Answer was 'Yes, for Service reasons' or 'Yes, for other reasons' at question '8 [Q5]' (Have you moved in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '55 [Q42]' (In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '25 [Q15]' (Do you have any children?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Not applicable

Accommodation

ACCOMMODATION

Do you own your own home?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am living in it
- Yes, but not living in it
- No
- No, but I am currently saving up to buy a home in the future

If you currently own your own home, why did you decide to buy it?

Choose all that *ap*ply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes, I am living in it' *or* 'Yes, but not living in it' at question '57 [Q44]' (Do you own your own home?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Stability for self and family
- To take advantage of allowances to live in our own home
- For financial investment or to rent out
- Poor standard of Service family accommodation
- Poor location of Service family accommodation
- For resettlement

If you don't own your own home, which of the following statements apply to you?

Choose all that apply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'No' or 'No, but I am currently saving up to buy a home in the future' at question '57 [Q44]' (Do you own your own home?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)
- Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present than home ownership
- I/we want to be able to move with my spouse/civil partner when he/she is posted
- I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located
- I am expecting my spouse/civil partner to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home
- I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment
- I/we don't want to risk losing money
- I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home
- I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage
- Other reason

What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Accommodation (SSSA) (Formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

What type of accommodation would you prefer to live in during the working week?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Accommodation (SSSA) (Formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

If you live in Service Family Accommodation (SFA) or Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA), how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)' or 'Service Family Accommodation (SFA)' at question '60 [Q47]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
The overall standard	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The value for money	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The response to requests for maintenance/repair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The quality of maintenance/repair work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How fairly Service accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The security of your SFA/SSFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The cleanliness of your accommodation when moving in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The speed at which accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
Permission to keep pets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The administrative process of applying for accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you live in privately rented accommodation, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Privately rented accommodation' at question '60 [Q47]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
The overall standard	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The value for money	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The response to requests for maintenance/repair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The quality of maintenance/repair work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The security of your accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The cleanliness of your accommodation when moving in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The speed with which you can obtain accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Permission to keep pets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
The opportunity to live in non-service accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The accommodation I live in suits my needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you live in privately rented accommodation or own your house during the working week, what is your spouse/civil partner's one-way commuting time (by any mode of transport)?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Property I/we own' or 'Privately rented accommodation' at question '60 [Q47]' (What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

i Choose one of the following answers
Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Up to 15 minutes
- Between 16 and 30 minutes
- Between 31 and 45 minutes
- Between 46 and 60 minutes
- Between 61 and 90 minutes
- Over 90 minutes

Employment and training

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

In the last 12 months have you or your family been able to:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Access Further or Higher Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Continue a course previously started	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you been able to access funding for these courses?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, easily
- Yes, experienced some difficulties due to being a Service family
- Yes, experienced significant difficulties due to being a Service family
- No, wasn't able to obtain any funding due to being a Service family
- No, other - please specify

In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse/civil partner on overseas assignments?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, were you able to:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '67 [Q54]' (In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse/civil partner on overseas assignments?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Obtain paid employment overseas?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access Service- provided information before moving overseas?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your current employment status?

Choose all that apply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- In full-time employment
- In part-time employment
- Self-employed
- Homemaker/parent at home
- Not employed - seeking employment
- Not employed - not seeking employment
- In full-time education/personal development
- In part-time education
- My immigration status means that I am unable to work
- Not applicable

If you have a job, how satisfied are you with the following:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'In full-time employment' or 'In part-time employment' or 'Self-employed' at question '69 [Q56]' (What is your current employment status? Choose all that apply) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know	Not applicable
Your job overall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your qualifications match your job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your job matches your skills and experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If employed/self-employed, what is the main reason why you do your current job? (Please tick one box only)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Self-employed' or 'In full-time employment' or 'In part-time employment' at question '69 [Q56]' (What is your current employment status? Choose all that apply) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- For my career
- For financial reasons
- I enjoy this work
- There are limited employment opportunities where I live
- It fits in with my family life
- Other

What effect has Service life had on your career progression?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very positive
- Positive
- Neither positive nor negative
- Negative
- Very negative
- Not applicable

If Service life has had a negative/very negative effect on your career progression, was it because of any of the following?

Choose all that apply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Negative' or 'Very negative' at question '72 [Q59]' (What effect has Service life had on your career progression?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Partner unable to assist with care responsibilities
- Access to childcare
- Frequent moves with Service postings
- Location of Service postings
- Other - please specify:

Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, did you have difficulty finding suitable employment?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '74 [Q61]' (Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If you experienced difficulty finding suitable employment, was it because of any of the following?

Choose all that apply

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '74 [Q61]' (Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '75 [Q62]' (If yes, did you have difficulty finding suitable employment?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- A lack of relevant qualifications
- Your employment history (i.e. changing jobs frequently)
- Being overseas with your spouse/civil partner
- Having a spouse/civil partner who is often away
- Having a spouse/civil partner in the Armed Forces
- Access to affordable and quality childcare
- Partner unable to assist with care responsibilities
- Extended family live too far away to assist with childcare

Other - please specify:

If the MOD offered courses to help you find/change employment would you use them?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Which of the following would help you find/change employment?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '77 [Q64]' (If the MOD offered courses to help you find/change employment would you use them?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗳️ Check all that apply

Please choose **all** that apply:

- CV writing course
- Interview skills course
- Access to jobs database
- Career consultancy service
- Self-employment/small business course
- Not applicable

Other:

Deployment

DEPLOYMENT

What is your view of operational tours?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Too often	About right	Not often enough
Frequency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your view of operational tours?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Too long	About right	Too short
Length	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you know where to go for Service-provided welfare support and information while your spouse/civil partner is on an operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Currently on operational tour
- In the last 12 months
- 1-2 years ago
- 3-5 years ago
- More than 5 years ago
- Not applicable

How satisfied were you with the following BEFORE your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Currently on operational tour' or 'In the last 12 months' or '1-2 years ago' at question '82 [Q68]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?) and Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) and Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
The welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, SSAFA officer)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's Chain of Command	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following DURING your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was '1-2 years ago' or 'Currently on operational tour' or 'In the last 12 months' at question '82 [Q68]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
The welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, SSAFA office)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's Chain of Command	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lines of communication with your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following AFTER your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was '1-2 years ago' or 'In the last 12 months' or 'Currently on operational tour' at question '82 [Q68]' (When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
The welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, SSAFA officer)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's Chain of Command	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Welfare

WELFARE

If you or your family have used the following in the last 12 months, how satisfied are you with the following aspects of Service-provided welfare?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Contact from your Unit Welfare Officer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to your Unit Welfare Officer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Service provided from your Unit Welfare Officer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Army Welfare Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to your Army Welfare Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Service provided from your Army Welfare Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education Advice Team/Overseas Education Support Team	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HIVE Information Office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How did you find out about these Army support/welfare services?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

Please provide more detail on your previous answers

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied are you with the following community facilities?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Building	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Courses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Armed Forces Covenant

ARMED FORCES COVENANT

For details of the Covenant go to: <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/armed-forces-covenant>

Which of the following best sums up your awareness of the Armed Forces Covenant?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I've never heard of it
- I've heard of it but know nothing about it
- I've heard of it and know a little about it
- I've heard of it and know a lot about it

How advantaged or disadvantaged do you feel when you compare yourself to the general public on these Covenant issues?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very advantaged	Advantaged	Neither advantaged nor disadvantaged	Disadvantaged	Very disadvantaged	Don't know/not applicable
Housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to commercial products and services (i.e. insurance, mobile, broadband, financial products and services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Are there any other areas you feel particularly advantaged when compared to the general public?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

Are there any other areas you feel particularly disadvantaged when compared to the general public?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

How positive or negative do you feel about the following aspects of Service family life?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Effect on my career	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on my children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Army provided facilities (housing, Messes etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on relationship with my spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Number of house moves	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Household income	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Knowing other military families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community support for my family (HIVE, Chaplaincy, Community Support Officer etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Amount of separation from my spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Prospects of buying own home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities for travel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pride in my spouse/civil partner being in the Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The stability of my family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My spouse/civil partner's work-life balance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Patch life (i.e. living with other Service families)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities for overseas postings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Armed Forces spousal employment support	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My spouse/civil partner's annual leave entitlement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Armed Forces pension	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Service life

SERVICE LIFE

Please list the top three things that the Army could do to make Service family life better for you?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Thinking about your total household income (your salary, your spouse/civil partner's salary, benefits etc.), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
It is enough for me/my family to manage financially	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I/my family find it difficult to get by financially	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How does your salary compare to your spouse/civil partner's?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- A lot less
- Less
- About the same
- More
- A lot more
- I'd rather not say
- Don't know

Do you have a workplace or private pension?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

How would you rate your awareness of the Armed Forces X-Factor?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I've never heard of it
- I've heard of it but know nothing about it
- I've heard of it and know a little about it
- I've heard of it and know a lot about it

If you have heard of X-Factor, to what extent do you agree or disagree that X-Factor in your spouse/civil partner's salary is enough compensation for Service lifestyle, working conditions and expectations?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'I've heard of it but know nothing about it' at question '99 [Q85]' (How would you rate your awareness of the Armed Forces X-Factor?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree not disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Not heard of it

Would the following have a positive or negative impact on your family life?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Opportunities for your spouse/civil partner to work part-time	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities for no deployments for your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities for flexible working in general (e.g. early finishes, late starts etc.) for your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied are you with your quality of life, as an Army family?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know/Not applicable
I feel valued by the Army	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel part of the wider Army community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I enjoy being part of the wider Army community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel part of the civilian community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I enjoy being part of the civilian community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel respected by society at large	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel that the Army manages to balance work and family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to get the information I need about support offered to me by the Army	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know/Not applicable
My family benefits from being an Army family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I support my partner's career in the Army	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Over the last 12 months have you:

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

! Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Strongly encouraged your spouse/civil partner to STAY in the Army
- Encouraged your spouse/civil partner to STAY in the Army
- Neither
- Encouraged your spouse/civil partner to LEAVE the Army
- Strongly encouraged your spouse/civil partner to LEAVE the Army

What were your main reasons for encouraging your spouse/civil partner to STAY in the Army

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was less than or equal to 'Encouraged your spouse/civil partner to STAY in the Army' at question '104 [Q90]' (Over the last 12 months have you:) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

What were your main reasons for encouraging your spouse/civil partner to LEAVE the Army

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was greater than or equal to 'Encouraged your spouse/civil partner to LEAVE the Army' at question '104 [Q90]' (Over the last 12 months have you:) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

How would you feel if your spouse/civil partner chose to leave the Army?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗣️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I would be much happier
- I would be happier
- I would be no different
- I would be less happy
- I would be much less happy
- Don't know

Well-being

WELL-BEING

As part of measuring national well-being we are interested to understand how satisfied you are with your life in general. The questions below are not linked to the Service but to your life in general

Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- 0 - Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 - Completely

Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- 0 - Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 - Completely

Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- 0 - Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 - Completely

Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- 0 - Not at all
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10 - Completely

How often do you feel lonely?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Often/always
- Some of the time
- Occasionally
- Hardly ever
- Never

Feedback

FEEDBACK

How does the Army **currently** communicate with you: Please tick ALL that apply.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Check all that apply

Please choose **all** that apply:

- By telephone/text
- By post
- By email
- In person
- Through your spouse/civil partner
- Via Armed Forces websites (e.g. Gov.uk, Army HIVE)
- Via social media
- Other
- I do not currently receive any communication

How would you **prefer** the Army to communicate with you:
Please select one first choice and one second choice only.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	First Choice	Second Choice
By telephone/text	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By post	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By email	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Through your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via Armed Forces web sites (e.g. Gov.UK, Amy HIVE)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via social media	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not wish to receive any communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied are you with the following aspects of Army information you receive?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Relevance to you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How clear the information is	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your view on the frequency of the communications you currently receive?

🗳️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too often
- About right
- Not often enough

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Policies that are aimed at myself/my family (e.g. wraparound childcare) are communicated to me effectively by the Army.

🗨️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

-
- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

This survey is....

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

🗨️ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too long
- About right
- Too short

How long did it take you to complete this survey?

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

❗ Choose one of the following answers

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Less than 10 minutes
- 10 - 20 minutes
- 20 - 30 minutes
- 30 - 40 minutes
- 40 - 50 minutes
- 50 - 60 minutes
- Over an hour

Please add any comments you wish to make about any other Service-related issues you have faced in the last 12 months.

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please write your answer here:

Which area(s) does your comment relate to?

(Please tick all that apply)

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

Answer was 'Yes' at question '2 [Q1]' (Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular Army?) *and* Answer was 'Yes' at question '1 [CONSENT]' (I have read and understood the Participant Information. I give my consent with regards to completing the survey and the processing of my survey data for the purposes of this research.)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Healthcare
- Children's education
- Childcare
- Housing
- Employment/my career
- Welfare
- My education
- Home move
- Family relationships
- Finance/family income
- Service community
- Other issues

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Please find below a list of useful contact points for your information:

Armed Forces Covenant – Website: www.gov.uk/government/policies/armed-forces-covenant
(<http://www.gov.uk/government/policies/armed-forces-covenant>)

Army Parents Network – Website:

www.army.mod.uk/people/live-well/family-support/army-parents-network/
(<http://www.army.mod.uk/people/support-well/army-parents-network/>)

Forcesline – Personal, confidential and independent support and advice. Line is available from Monday to Friday, excluding Bank Holidays from 09.00-17.30 (UK local time), and can be accessed anywhere in the world. Tel: (UK) 0800 731 4880, (Germany) 0800 182 7395, (Cyprus) 800 91065, (Worldwide) +44 (0)207 463 9292, and the support staff will phone you back, (most Operational Theatres via Paradigm 'Homelink' service) *201.

Educational Advisory Team (UK) & Overseas Education and Supportability Team (OEST)

– MoD Services, independent of the Chain of Command, set up to provide information, advice and support for Armed Services families about issues relating to the education of their children within the UK and Overseas. Email (UK): RC-DCS-HQ-EAT@mod.gov.uk. Email (Overseas Team): RC-DCS-HQ-OES@mod.gov.uk.

HIVE – Help, information and sign posting to professional support agencies. Website: www.army.mod.uk/hives (<http://www.army.mod.uk/hives>)

ABF The Soldier's Charity – A charity that has provided lifetime of support to serving and retired soldiers and their families in need. Website: www.soldierscharity.org (<http://www.soldierscharity.org>)

Army Families Federation – An independent organisation that voices the concerns of Army families and works towards improving the quality of life for Army families. Website: www.aff.org.uk (<http://www.aff.org.uk>)

Army Central Fund – The British Army's "own" charity that delivers financial support by means of grants, for the benefit of All Ranks, their families and dependants of the Serving Army including Army widows and those supporting organisations which provide expertise and assistance to the Army. Website: www.armycentralfund.org.uk (<http://www.armycentralfund.org.uk>)

HQ Army Welfare Service – Provides specialist welfare support to serving soldiers and their families. Open 9am – 5pm (UK local time), Mon-Fri.

Tel: 94222 7586 or +44 (0)1252 787586 or E-Mail: AWS-HQ-0MAILBOX@mod.uk (<mailto:AWS-HQ-0MAILBOX@mod.uk>)

The Forces Families Jobs Portal – Employers who are signed up to the Armed Forces Covenant or are able to demonstrate their commitment to the Armed Forces.

Website: www.forcesfamiliesjobs.co.uk (<http://www.forcesfamiliesjobs.co.uk>)

Army Dependants Trust – A charity which provides discretionary cash awards to dependants of Officers & Soldiers who die in service, from whatever cause, on or off duty.

Website: www.cobseo.org.uk/members/directory/army-dependants-trust (<http://www.cobseo.org.uk/members/directory/army-dependants-trust>)

MoneyForce – A provider of educational and not financial products that should be considered as part of any debt awareness training and debt management plan. Website: www.moneyforce.org.uk (<http://www.moneyforce.org.uk>)

COBSEO (The Confederation of Service Charities) – Cobseo represents the whole Serving and Veterans Community, for any individual looking for charitable support. Website: www.cobseo.org.uk (<http://www.cobseo.org.uk>)

MOD Data Protection – Website: www.gov.uk/government/publications/ministry-of-defence-privacy-notice/mod-privacy-notice#how-we-collect-or-process-your-data (<http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ministry-of-defence-privacy-notice/mod-privacy-notice#how-we-collect-or-process-your-data>)

2022 FamCAS HEADLINE REPORT SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

Response rates. 8,466 Regular Army Service Personnel (SP) were sent the Families Continuous Attitude Survey (FamCAS) to pass onto their spouses. The response rate was 22% (n=1,838) for 2022 which is 6% less than last year.

About you. The majority of respondents are female (94%), 78% have children, and 44% are below the age of 35. Spouses / partners of ORs tend to be younger than those of Officers with 20% of Officers' spouses and 51% of ORs' spouses under the age of 35. Seven percent of spousal respondents are 'dual serving' with the majority (83%) having 'never served in the Armed Forces'. Most spouses are located in England (54%) and, from those who responded from England, over two thirds were based in the South (66%).

Accommodation. Fifty-one percent of spouses report they own their own home which is a 4% point decrease since 2021 but consistent with previous years. This decrease is attributable to the responses of ORs' spouses with a significant decrease from 47% in 2021 to 42% this year in those reporting they own their own home, but returning to levels seen prior to 2021. This is significantly higher in families of Officers (78%) compared with ORs (42%). Fewer Army families report owning their own the compared to the other Services (RN/RM=76%, RAF=68%).

Of those who reported owning their house, they have continued to cite the 'stability of themselves and their family' (72%) as the main reason for buying a house. This is followed by 'financial investment' (29%) and 'due to the poor standard of SFA' (21%).

Of the top three reasons selected by respondents for not owning a house are: 54% 'cannot afford to buy a suitable home at the moment' (similar to last year but a reduction of 9% from 2018), 39% feel 'living in Service accommodation suited their family's needs at the present time' (19% point decrease in Officers' spouses citing this reason this year (2021=54%, 2022=35%) and 32% want to 'move with their spouse when they are posted' (remained stable since 2019).

Of respondents who 'live in Service Family Accommodation (SFA) during the working week' (68%), nearly two thirds (62%) report being satisfied with the 'value for money' of SFA (compared with 65% in 2021) and 61% report being satisfied with the 'security of your SFA'. Fifty-three percent reported they are satisfied with the overall standard, which is similar to last year, however this is a significant decrease of 8% points since 2019 (61%). The highest levels of reported dissatisfaction continue to be around repairs and maintenance, with 52% reporting being dissatisfied in the 'response to maintenance/repair requests', a significant 10% point increase compared with 2019, and 50% report being dissatisfied with the 'quality of maintenance/repair work', a significant increase of 6% points since 2020.

Spousal employment. Since 2018 there has been an upward trend in the spouses who reported they were employed (2018=72%, 2022=79%) with a rise of 4% since last year to 79%. This remains below the other Services (RN/RM=83%, RAF=86%). More Officers' (82%) than ORs' spouses (77%) report being employed. Of those seeking work (43%), just under two-thirds of spouses (64%) report experiencing difficulties finding suitable employment (a

4% point decrease since 2021 and significant 10% point decrease from 2015). The two main reasons cited for this continue to be related to care responsibilities: 'extended family living too far away to assist with childcare' (45%) and 'partner not being able to assist with care responsibilities' (43%).

Service Life: In a similar picture to last year the top three aspects of Service life which respondents feel most positive about are 'pride in my spouse being in the Army' (80%), the 'Armed Forces pension' (63%), and thirdly (up from fourth most positive last year), their 'job security' (62%). The three aspects of Service life which respondents feel most negative about are 'effect on career' (56%), up 5% points since last year; 'my spouse/civil partner's work-life balance' (47%), up 8% points since 2021 and 'amount of separation from spouse/civil partner' (46%), up 4% points since last year; with 9%, 24% and 7% feeling positive about these points respectively. These have reverted to pre-COVID levels.

Childcare. Seventy-eight percent of respondents have children under the age of 18 (3% less than 2021), 22% have one child, 37% have two children and 19% have three or more. Thirty-three percent report having children are under the age of five. Seventy four percent of respondents report needing childcare. Thirty percent require early years (0-4) childcare and 43% require school-age childcare. There is a significant 6% point increase in those needing school-age childcare since 2021 but not quite returning to levels seen in 2018-2020 (44-47%). Of those who needed (0-4) childcare, 88% were able to access. Of those who have children, 29% did not need informal childcare and 45% were unable to access informal childcare.

Children's education. Of those who have children of school age, 28% (n=283) report difficulties with their children's schooling while 72% do not. While this is a 2% point decrease from last year, the proportion of families reporting difficulties has increased by 9% points since 2019. Those reporting they were allocated their first choice of school has decreased by 10% points and by 18% points compared with 2020. The three main reported difficulties experienced were 'not getting a place at the school of choice' (9%) (n=90), 'obtaining support for special education needs' (7%) (n=70) which is similar to last year. Furthermore, 'distance from school' was highlighted as a difficulty by 6% (n=60) of respondents.

Armed Forces Covenant (AFC). In a similar picture to last year, just under two thirds of respondents (63%) have 'heard of the AFC' with 37% who have not. Of those who have, 16% 'know nothing about it'. On covenant issues, when compared to the general public, Army spouses report feeling more disadvantaged than advantaged with regards to Family life (39%:11%), Childcare (36%:5%), Education (23%:14%), Healthcare (27%:14%), and Access to commercial products and services (21%:10%). Housing was the only area where spouses felt more advantaged (31%) than disadvantaged (18%), however, significantly fewer feel they are advantaged with housing than in previous years (2019=37%, 2020=39%). This year there is a significant increase in Army spouses reporting they feel disadvantaged when compared to the general public on 'healthcare' (continuing an upward increase of 6% from 2021 to 27%). The percentage of respondents who feel disadvantaged about education compared with public has remained stable (23%).

Wellbeing. Similar to previous years, less Army spouses report very low (24%) or low (20%) levels of anxiety compared with the general public[1] (very low=33%, low=25%) the day before they completed the survey. Twenty-four percent report medium levels of anxiety, and just under a third (32%) experienced high levels of anxiety compared with 23% of the general public. Fifty-seven percent of Army spouses reported feeling happy (high/very high) yesterday (Officers=66%, ORs=54%), compared to 72% of the general public.

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Submit your survey.

Thank you for completing this survey.

RAF Families Survey 2023

I am hugely grateful for the unwavering support that our families give us and mindful that it is absolutely central to our ability to serve our nation. It is vital that we assess the impact of Service life on our families and this annual survey plays a key role in identifying the opportunities that will benefit you and your family. An update on the findings of last year's survey is available on the RAF Intranet. The evidence you provide is used to drive real improvements in the support provided for our families; for example, it helped us to design the new Wraparound Childcare Scheme and the Future Accommodation Model. Please encourage your partner to complete and return the survey and assure them that we will use their feedback to make a real difference in supporting our families. I send my sincere appreciation to everyone that shares their thoughts.

Air Marshal Richard Knighton

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What is this survey about?

The RAF Families Survey provides spouses/civil partners with an opportunity to share their views on what life is like being married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the RAF. The survey asks questions about key welfare areas including family life, childcare, deployment, education, employment, healthcare, and housing.

Why have I received this survey?

The RAF Families Survey is sent to a random selection of Service families each year, located both within the UK and overseas.

How are the findings used?

The results from the survey are used to aid the development and monitoring of military personnel policies and welfare initiatives. They are also used to inform and monitor Defence personnel programmes and the Armed Forces Covenant.

I am also serving. Do I still need to complete it?

We are interested in capturing the views of both civilian partners and dual-serving couples as they both face unique issues. If you and your spouse/civil partner are both serving in the Armed Forces, this survey should be completed by the spouse/civil partner of the named recipient of the survey.

Do I have to complete the survey?

Whilst completion is entirely voluntary, we encourage recipients to tell us their views so that we can make positive changes in the RAF.



Who will see my answers?

All replies will be treated in the strictest confidence and are completely anonymous. Your individual responses will only be seen by the civilian researchers conducting this survey. The findings will then be published in a report.

The previous year's Tri-service report is available at:

[Tri-Service 2022 report \(https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/tri-service-families-continuous-attitude-survey-2022\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/tri-service-families-continuous-attitude-survey-2022) - OFFICIAL

When is the deadline?

Please complete the online survey by **9th May 2023**

Why do I have to enter my partner's service number?

To ensure that only families of RAF personnel are able to complete the survey, participants are required to input a token (access code) before entering the online survey. Please note that the token is **not** linked to your responses and it is impossible to link responses to Service personnel. The token is simply used as a security precaution.

Who should I contact for further information?

If you have any queries then please feel free to contact Emma Fairclough (HQ Air Occupational Psychology Team) at Air-COSPers-PolPsychGrpMbox@mod.gov.uk.

Message from Armed Forces Families and Safeguarding

"The Ministry of Defence is now in its first year of implementing the new Armed Forces Families Strategy (published Jan 2022 and guiding policy until 2032). Whilst this document signals our broad intent and sets out specific themes under which we will be concentrating our efforts, the action plans that are being developed from it will be shaped by a range of factors including our developing understanding of what life is really like for Service families.

The Families Continuous Attitude Survey (FamCAS) plays a significant part in this process. The metrics of FamCAS offer us an incomparably valuable data set stretching back 10 years before the publication of this ambitious strategy. The feedback that we receive through this and other sources will also help us assess whether we are achieving the goals we have set ourselves. Each completed survey offers a slightly more complete picture and the more survey responses that we receive, the clearer and more representative this picture becomes. The results of this survey will be available on the Government website.

We are clear that whilst the unique demands associated with service will remain, the Ministry of Defence is committed to reducing the family related frictions that arise from these and to ensure that family life and military life are as compatible as possible. "

Peter Davis (Head Armed Forces Families and Safeguarding)

Privacy Statement

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ministry-of-defence-privacy-notice/mod-privacy-notice#how-we-collect-or-process-your-data>

There are 118 questions in this survey.

SECTION A: ABOUT YOU

Are you married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the Regular RAF? *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

This survey should be completed by your **SPOUSE/CIVIL PARTNER.**

Please click 'Exit and clear survey' above and forward the survey link to your partner.

What is your sex?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to say

How old are you?

Please write your answer here:

years old

Where do you currently live? *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Cyprus
- Other overseas

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are applicable to the RAF population. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

If you currently live in England, which region do you live in?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- East Midlands
- East of England
- London
- North East England
- North West England
- South East England
- South West England
- West Midlands
- Yorkshire and the Humber

Have you ever served in the Armed Forces?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am still serving as a Regular
- Yes, I am still serving as a Reservist
- Yes, but I am no longer serving
- No, I have never served

What is the highest level of qualification you have completed? Please tick just one box.

We are asking this question because policy teams would like to understand how this correlates with levels of employment, and to understand how policy can be shaped to help support those seeking employment.

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Secondary Education (GCSE/O-Levels)
- Post-Secondary Education (College, A-Levels, NVQ 3 or below, or similar)
- Vocational Qualification (Diploma, Certificate, BTEC, NVQ 4 and above, or similar)
- Undergraduate Degree (BA, BSc, etc.)
- Post-graduate Degree (MA, MSc, PHd, etc.)
- Professional Qualification (e.g. teaching, nursing, accounting, civil engineering)
- Other
- Prefer not to say

If you answered 'Other' as your highest level of education, please specify qualification.

Please write your answer here:

What is your nationality?

This question is being asked because policy holders would like to understand how many Non-UK partners and spouses they are supporting and what aspects of support need to be improved.

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- English
- Scottish
- Welsh
- Northern Irish
- Irish (Republic of Ireland)
- Non-UK (specify country in comment box)
- Prefer not to say

Make a comment on your choice here:

SECTION B: ABOUT YOUR PARTNER

Where is your spouse/civil partner currently stationed?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Cyprus
- Other overseas

Which station/unit is your partner based at?

Please write your answer here:

What is your spouse/civil partner's rank? (Please select one option only) *

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Air Commodore or above (OF 6+)
- Group Captain (OF 5)
- Wing Commander (OF 4)
- Squadron Leader (OF 3)
- Flight Lieutenant (OF 2)
- Flying Officer or Pilot Officer (OF 1)
- Warrant Officer or Master Aircrew (OR 9)
- Flight Sergeant or Chief Technician (OR 7)
- Sergeant (OR 6)
- Corporal (OR 4)
- Lance Corporal (OR 3)
- Air Recruit/Air Specialist (Class 2) (AS2)/Air Specialist (Class 1) (AS1)/Air Specialist (Class 1) Technician (AS1(T)) (OR 1/2)

Your answer to this question is vital in allowing us to ensure survey findings are applicable to the RAF population. Surveys which do not include an answer to this question cannot be counted.

SECTION C: SERVICE LIFE

How satisfied are you with your quality of life as a Service family?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

How would you feel if your partner chose to leave the RAF?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I would be much happier
- I would be happier
- I would be no different
- I would be less happy
- I would be much less happy
- Don't know

In the last 12 months, how often have you done the following...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	All the time	A lot	Sometimes	Occasionally	Never
Encouraged your partner to stay in the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Encouraged your partner to leave the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What were your main reasons for encouraging the Serving person to stay in the RAF?

What were your main reasons for encouraging the serving person to leave the RAF?

Have you moved in the last 12 months?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

How many times have you moved for Service reasons over the last 5 years?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- None
- Once
- Twice
- Three times
- More than three times

Do you live separately from your spouse/civil partner during the working week?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, how often do you see your spouse/civil partner?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Weekly
- Fortnightly
- Monthly
- Less than monthly
- Other

In the past 12 months approximately how much time has your spouse/civil partner spent away from home for Service reasons?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Not been away
- Up to 1 month
- Up to 3 months
- Up to 6 months
- Up to 9 months
- Up to 12 months
- Not applicable

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements. (Please select one option per line).

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know/Not applicable
Spouses/civil partners of serving personnel are well supported by the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My spouse/civil partner is able to take annual leave at a time that suits our family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
We are able to make long-term plans as a family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel valued by the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel part of the wider RAF community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel isolated at times	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to get the information I need about support offered to me by the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My family benefits from being a RAF family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I support my partner's career in the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How positive or negative do you feel about the following aspects of Service family life...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Effect on my career	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on my children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RAF-provided facilities (housing, Messes etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Effect on relationship with my spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Number of house moves	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Household income	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Knowing other military families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community support for my family (HIVE, Chaplaincy, Community Support Officer, coffee shop etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Amount of separation from spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prospects of buying own home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities for travel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very positive	Positive	Neither positive nor negative	Negative	Very negative	Not applicable
Pride in my spouse/civil partner being in the Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The stability of my family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The serving person's work-life balance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Which of the following best sums up your awareness of the Armed Forces Covenant?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I've never heard of it
- I've heard of it but know nothing about it
- I've heard of it and know a little about it
- I've heard of it and know a lot about it

For details of the Covenant please follow the link at the end of the survey.

How advantaged or disadvantaged do you feel when you compare yourself to the general public on these **Covenant issues...?**

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very advantaged	Advantaged	Neither advantaged nor disadvantaged	Disadvantaged	Very disadvantaged	Don't know / Not applicable
Housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Family life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to commercial products & services (i.e. insurance, mobile, broadband, financial products and services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Are there any other areas in which you feel particularly *advantaged* when compared to the general public?

Please write your answer here:

Are there any other areas in which you feel particularly *disadvantaged* when compared to the general public?

Please write your answer here:

Are you currently registered to vote?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, and I registered without difficulty
- Yes, but I had some difficulty registering
- No, I chose not to register
- No, I was not able to register
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

If yes, which registration option did you use?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I'm registered as an ordinary/residential voter (registered for 1 year, via the annual update of voters (annual canvass))
- I'm registered as a Service voter (registered for 5 years, via a Service declaration)
- I'm registered as an overseas voter (registered for 1 year, in the same way as non-Forces British citizens living overseas)
- Don't know

SECTION D: YOUR WELL-BEING

As part of measuring national well-being we are interested to understand how satisfied you are with your life in general.

The questions below are not linked particularly to the Service but to your life in general.

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	0 - Not at all	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - Complete
Overall, how satisfied are you with life nowadays?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, how happy did you feel yesterday?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, how anxious did you feel yesterday?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall, to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How often do you feel lonely?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Often/always
- Some of the time
- Occasionally
- Hardly ever
- Never

SECTION E: PERSONAL SUPPORT (FORMERLY

WELFARE)

Do you know where to go for support from the RAF should you need it?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Which station/unit do you access welfare support from?

Please write your answer here:

In the past year have you been able to access facilities on your local base?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- No, I did not need to
- No, I have been unable to
- Yes, but with some difficulty
- Yes, easily

Is your spouse/civil partner's parent unit your local base?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If you were easily able to access your local base, would you use the facilities?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Below is a list of support services that are available to RAF personnel and their families.

Please indicate those which you have heard of.

Please choose **all** that apply:

- SSAFA
- The RAF Families Federation
- RAF HIVE Information Service
- Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)
- Airplay (RAF Benevolent Fund youth support and childcare service)
- RAF Community Support and Welfare Team
- Station Community Support Officer (SCSO)
- Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)
- Community Development Officers
- Forces Families Jobs platform
- Well-being Support (RAF Benevolent Fund and RAFA)

Below is a list of support services that are available to RAF personnel and their families.

Please indicate those you have used.

Please choose **all** that apply:

- SSAFA
- The RAF Families Federation
- RAF HIVE Information Service
- Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)
- Airplay (RAF Benevolent Fund youth support and childcare service)
- RAF Community Support and Welfare Team
- Station Community Support Officer (SCSO)
- Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)
- Community Development Officers
- Forces Families Jobs platform
- Well-being Support (RAF Benevolent Fund and RAFA)

Below is a list of support services that are available to RAF personnel and their families.

If you have used any of the services below, how satisfied you were with it?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
SSAFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The RAF Families Federation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RAF HIVE Information Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre (JCCC)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Airplay (RAF Benevolent Fund youth support and childcare service)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RAF Community Support and Welfare Team	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Station Community Support Officer (SCSO)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joint Service Housing Advice Office (JSHAO)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community Development Officers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Forces Families Jobs platform	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Well-being Support (RAF Benevolent Fund and RAFA)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION F: ACCOMMODATION

How far away do you live from your spouse/civil partner's duty station?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Less than 1 mile
- 1-9 miles
- 10-19 miles
- 20-50 miles
- More than 50 miles

Do you own your own home?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I am living in it
- Yes, but not living in it
- No
- No, but I am currently saving to buy a house in the future

If you don't own your own home, which of the following statements apply to you? (Select all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- I/we don't want to own a home at this stage in my/our life/career(s)
- Living in Service accommodation is better suited to my family's needs at present than home ownership
- I/we want to be able to move with my spouse/civil partner when he/she is posted
- I/we don't want to buy a home where we are currently located
- I am expecting my spouse/civil partner to be posted overseas or to an area where I/we don't want to buy a home
- I/we can't afford to buy a suitable home at the moment
- I/we don't want to risk losing money
- I/we wouldn't be able to live in the home
- I/we had difficulties getting a mortgage
- Other reason

What type of accommodation do you live in during the working week? (Select one option only)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Living Accommodation (SSSA) (formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

What type of accommodation would you prefer to live in during the working week? (Select one option only)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Service Family Accommodation (SFA)
- Substitute Service Family Accommodation (SSFA)
- Single Living Accommodation (SLA)
- Substitute Service Single Living Accommodation (SSSA) (formerly SSLA)
- Property I/we own
- Privately rented accommodation
- Other accommodation

If you live in SFA or SSFA, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with each of the following...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know / Not applicable
The overall standard	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The value for money	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The response to requests for maintenance/repair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The quality of maintenance/repair work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How fairly Service accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The security of your SFA/SSFA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The cleanliness of your accommodation when moving in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The speed at which accommodation is allocated	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The administrative process of applying for accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you live in privately rented accommodation, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable
The opportunity to live in non-service accommodation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The accommodation I live in meets my needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION G: EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

What is your current employment status? (Select all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- In full-time employment
- In part-time employment
- Self-employed
- Homemaker/parent at home
- Not employed – seeking employment
- Not employed – not seeking employment
- In full-time education/personal development
- In part-time education
- My immigration status means I am unable to work
- Not applicable

If you have a job, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know	Not Applicable
Your job overall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your qualifications match your job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
That your job matches your skills and experiences	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the last 12 months, have you had to leave a civilian job or long-term training programme due to Service reasons?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Have you been looking for a job in the last 12 months?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, did you have any difficulty finding suitable employment?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you experienced difficulty finding suitable employment, was it because of any of the following? (Select all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- A lack of relevant qualifications
- Your employment history (i.e. changing jobs frequently)
- Being overseas with your spouse/civil partner
- Having a spouse/civil partner who is often away
- Having a spouse/civil partner in the Armed Forces
- Access to affordable and quality childcare
- Partner unable to assist with care responsibilities
- Extended family live too far away to assist with childcare

Other:

In the last 12 months, have you or your family accompanied your spouse/civil partner on overseas assignments?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, were you able to...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Obtain paid employment overseas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access Service-provided information before moving overseas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you had any difficulty claiming Job Seekers' Allowance due to being married to/in a civil partnership with a member of the RAF?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- A lot of difficulty
- Some difficulty
- A little difficulty
- No difficulty
- Not applicable

In the last 12 months have you or your family been able to...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulty	Yes, but with some difficulty	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Access Further or Higher Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Continue a course previously started	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If the MOD offered courses to help you find/change employment would you use them?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Which of the following would help you find/change employment? Tick all that apply.

Please choose **all** that apply:

- CV writing course
- Interview skills course
- Access to jobs database
- Career consultancy service
- Self-employment/small business course
- Other
- Not applicable

SECTION H: ASSIGNMENTS

How satisfied were you with the amount of notice the serving person was given for their current assignment?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

How would you rate the length of the most recent assignments the serving person has had?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Far too long	Too long	About right	Too short	Far too short	Not applicable
Accompanied assignments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unaccompanied assignments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

SECTION I: OPERATIONAL TOURS

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements relating to operational tours...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable
The prospect of the serving person doing an operational tour is a problem	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coping when the serving person is on an operational tour is a problem	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My children's behaviour is negatively affected when the serving person is on an operational tour	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The relationship between my children and the serving person is disrupted by operational tours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your view of the frequency of operational tours?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too often
- About right
- Not often enough

What is your view of the length of operational tours?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too long
- About right
- Too short

Do you know where to go for Service-provided welfare support and information while your spouse/civil partner is on an operational tour?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

When was your spouse/civil partner's last operational tour?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Currently on operational tour
- In the last 12 months
- 1 to 2 years ago
- 3 to 5 years ago
- More than 5 years ago
- Not applicable

How long was the Serving Person's most recent operational tour, excluding any pre-deployment training?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Up to 1 month
- 1-2 months
- 2-4 months
- 4-6 months
- 6-9 months
- 9-12 months
- More than 12 months
- Don't know

Thinking about your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour, how satisfied were you with...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not applicable
Separation from your spouse/civil partner during pre-deployment training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ability of your spouse/civil partner to spend time with you/your family during their post-operational deployment leave	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the information and support you received prior to the Serving Person's most recent operational tour?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Considering your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour, please answer the following questions about information and support received prior to their tour.

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes	No
Did you receive/or was able to access HIVE Deployment information about available support and welfare?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Did your spouse/civil partner give you a Compassionate Travel From Overseas Card (a card detailing how to ask for the return of the serving person from overseas for compassionate reasons)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Were you made aware of the RAF Community website (www.raf.mod.uk/community)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Before the serving person went away, were you aware of the Point Of Contact (POC) scheme and who you could contact during the operational tour?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Were you informed/or were able to access your unit/community support providing a deployment brief, either face to face or remotely?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What, if any, Service-provided welfare support did you access while your spouse/civil partner was on their most recent operational tour? (Please select all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- RAF HIVE Information Service
- Padre
- Chain of Command (Line manager of spouse/civil partner)
- Community Support Team
- SSAFA RAF Personal Support and Social Work Service
- Community Development Officer
- RAF Families Federation website (<https://www.raf-ff.org.uk/>)
- Other

Other:

If you selected other in the previous question, please specify what other Service support you accessed?

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied were you with the following **BEFORE** your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command / unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following **DURING** your spouse/civil partner's most recent operational tour...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command/unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lines of communication with your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The level of support offered by the Point Of Contact (POC) scheme in the event of a problem	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied were you with the following AFTER your spouse/civil partner’s most recent operational tour...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did not use
Welfare support you used (e.g. information, Padre, support staff, welfare organisations, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct contact and support from your spouse/civil partner's chain of command/unit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities and events to meet with other spouses and families	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you feel that your spouse/civil partner’s behaviour changed as a result of their experiences on an operational tour?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

If yes, do you feel your spouse/civil partner's behaviour change had a negative impact on you or your family?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

If yes, approximately how long did the change in your spouse/civil partner's behaviour last once they had returned home?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- A few weeks
- A few months
- More than a few months
- Not applicable

If your spouse/civil partner's behaviour change had a negative impact on you or your family, did you seek professional help (eg GP, unit staff, SSAFA)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, I sought help
- Yes, my partner sought help
- No
- Not applicable

If help was not sought, please specify why.

Please write your answer here:

SECTION J: CHILDCARE

Do you have any children?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If you have children, how many children do you have in the following age groups?

Please write your answer(s) here:

Under 5 years:

5-11 years:

12-17 years:

18 years or older, in full-time education:

18 years or older, not in full-time education :

Please type the number of children in each box. If you don't have any children of that age please put '0'.

Have you needed early years (children between 0-4 years) childcare in the last 12 months?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

If yes, have you been able to access early years (0-4 years) childcare?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
 No

If no, you could not access early years (0-4 years) childcare, what difficulties did you have?

Please write your answer here:

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local early years (0-4 years) childcare facilities?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Access (e.g. distance, transportation, waiting lists)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Have you needed childcare for school age children in the last 12 months (eg breakfast clubs, after school clubs, child-minder, pickups, school holiday clubs etc)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following aspects of your local childcare for school age children...?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Availability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opening hours	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you currently access any forms of free informal childcare for any of your children? (e.g. grandparents, extended family, friends, etc.)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, at least weekly
- Yes, at least monthly but less than weekly
- Yes, occasionally
- No - I am not able to (e.g. family do not live nearby)
- No - I do not need to

Where do you access the majority of your childcare (formal or informal)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Close to work
- Close to home
- Close to school
- Other
- Not applicable

Do you currently take up the offer of any Government initiatives around childcare? (Please tick all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Salary Sacrifice Scheme
- Tax-Free Childcare Accounts
- Free Childcare Hours
- Other
- No I do not currently use any Government initiatives around childcare

If not, what is the main reason? (Please tick one box only)

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I am not aware of these schemes
- I do not think I am eligible for any of these schemes
- I do not need any of these schemes
- The schemes do not suit my personal circumstances
- The process is too difficult/time consuming
- Other

SECTION K: CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Do you have any children of school age?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If you have children of school age, please tell us the number of children you have at each type of school.

Please write your answer(s) here:

State school:

MOD (Service) school:

Independent day school:

Independent boarding school:

Home Schooling (by choice, not due to COVID 19)

Other

If you do not have any children at that type of school please leave as '0'.

If you selected 'Other' for type of school, please specify.

Please write your answer here:

Do you receive Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

Did you experience any difficulties with your children's schooling in the last 12 months?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

Yes

No

If yes, did you experience any of the following difficulties? (Select all that apply)

Please choose **all** that apply:

- Insufficient transportation to school
- Distance to school
- Getting a place at the school of your choice
- Getting enough information about schools in your area
- Not enough places at your local school
- Unsuitable educational standard of your local school
- Children could not attend the same school together
- Obtaining support for Special Educational Needs (SEN)
- School admission application period did not coincide with notification of assignment
- Local Authority was unsupportive
- Continuing your children's education without a gap
- Differences in syllabus
- Difficulties related to COVID-19
- Other difficulty

Please use the box at the end of the survey to tell us of any other difficulties.

Did any of your children change school in the last 12 months?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes, for Service reasons
- Yes, for other reasons
- No

If any of your children changed schools in the last 12 months, were you able to apply within the timeframe for the normal point of entry to a school (ie within the school's application period for the beginning of Reception, Year 7 or Year 12 or equivalent)?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If any of your children changed school in the last 12 months, did you apply for a place at a State school?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

Which of the following best describes your child's school allocation? Please select one box only.

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- My child was allocated a place at their 1st choice of school
- My child was allocated a place at their 2nd or 3rd choice of school
- My child was not allocated a place at one of their 3 preferred choices
- Other (please specify)

Make a comment on your choice here:

Which of the following best describes how you felt about your child's school allocation?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- I was happy with their allocation
- I was not entirely happy with their allocation but chose not to appeal
- I appealed against their allocation

Please tell us about your experience of the appeals process?

Please write your answer here:

SECTION L: HEALTHCARE

In this section we wish to ask you about the provision of healthcare services for Service families (excluding serving persons).

In the last 12 months have you/your children been able to access the following healthcare services?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to	No, I did not need to
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please use the text box at the end of the survey to tell us about the difficulties you may have encountered.

In the last 12 months has your ability to access the following healthcare services been affected by COVID-19?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes	No	Not applicable
Dental Treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including nurse/midwife etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental Health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or Specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please only complete this question if you have moved within the last 12 months.

If you/your children were undergoing a course of treatment with any of the following services at the time of your move, were you/your children able to continue the treatment in your new location?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Yes, without difficulties	Yes, but with some difficulties	No, I was unable to continue treatment	Not applicable – not undergoing treatment
Dental treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GP (including Nurse/Midwife etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hospital or specialist services (including orthodontist)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

In the last 12 months, have you or any of your children been on a waiting list for an operation/consultants appointment?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No

If yes, was the waiting time increased as a result of moving?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Not Applicable

SECTION M: COMMUNICATIONS

How does the RAF currently communicate with you?

Please choose **all** that apply:

- By telephone/text
- Post
- By email
- In person
- Through your spouse/civil partner
- Via Armed Forces websites (e.g. GOV.UK, RAF HIVE)
- Via social media (e.g. RAF HIVE)
- RAF Families Federation
- RAF Community Support
- Other
- I do not wish to receive any communication

How do you prefer the RAF to communicate with you? *Please select one first and one second choice only.*

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	First Choice	Second Choice
By telephone/text	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By email	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Through your spouse/civil partner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via Armed Forces websites (e.g. GOV.UK, RAF HIVE)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Via social media (e.g. RAF HIVE)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RAF Families Federation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
RAF Community Support	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not wish to receive any communication	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How satisfied are you with the following aspects of RAF information you receive?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Relevance to you	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How clear the information is	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What is your view on the frequency of the communications you currently receive?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too often
- About right
- Not often enough

To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statement?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Policies that are aimed at myself/family (e.g. wraparound childcare) are communicated to me effectively by the RAF	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

This survey is:

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Too long
- About right
- Too short

How long did it take you to complete this survey?

Please choose **only one** of the following:

- Less than 10 minutes
- 10-20 minutes
- 20-30 minutes
- 30-40 minutes
- 40-50 minutes
- 50-60 minutes
- Over an hour

SECTION N: FURTHER COMMENTS

Please add any comments you wish to make about any other Service-related issues you have faced in the last 12 months.

Please write your answer here:

Thank you very much for completing this survey.

If you would like to see the Tri-service report from last year, please use the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/tri-service-families-continuous-attitude-survey-index>

Please see the link below for details of the Armed Forces Covenant:

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