

YouGov/NUT Survey Results

Sample Size: 852
Fieldwork: 20/03/12 to 26/03/12

Total (A)	Region					Which ONE of the following best describes your current professional role?	
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Q1. Which of the following aspects of your job as a teacher do you most enjoy? (Please select a maximum of 5)

	Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
	Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575
Seeing children/young people develop, progress and achieve	92%	88%	91%	91%	95%	-	90%	93%	
Class teaching	76%	71%	80%	74%	73%	-	79%	74%	
Time to reflect	12%	13%	12%	8%	14%	-	15%	11%	
Peer support, observation and feedback	8%	5%	9%	5%	9%	-	8%	8%	
Team working with colleagues	47%	43%	48%	47%	48%	-	51%	45%	
Opportunities to try out and develop new approaches to teaching and learning	42%	48%	41%	47%	38%	-	50%	38%	
Professional autonomy	34%	43%	30%	32%	36%	-	42%	30%	
Positive relationships with, and support from, parents	34%	28%	39%	33%	32%	-	38%	33%	
Classroom support from a well trained teaching assistant	25%	24%	25%	23%	27%	-	19%	28%	
Other	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	-	3%	2%	

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Q2. Which of the following do you regard as the biggest obstacles to performing to the best of your ability? (Please select a maximum of 5)

	Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
	Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575
Large class sizes	24%	24%	21% *	27%	24%	23%	-	18%	28% O
Large amounts of unnecessary paperwork/data gathering	62%	62%	65% *	60%	62%	63%	-	57%	64%
Insufficient funding	23%	23%	21% *	27% M	24%	16%	-	28% P	20%
Constantly changing policy initiatives	63%	63%	59% *	63%	63%	66%	-	68% P	61%
Unrealistic demands in respect of planning and preparation	41%	41%	39% *	43%	37%	42%	-	37%	43%
Ofsted inspections	34%	34%	29% *	31%	35%	40%	-	41% P	31%
Classroom observations	10%	10%	9% *	7%	11%	13% K	-	8%	11%
Learning walks/other forms of monitoring	9%	9%	10% *	7%	9%	13% K	-	8%	10%
Constant external criticism and undermining of teachers	58%	58%	64% *	57%	59%	57%	-	60% Q	58% Q
Unrealistic expectations on what can be achieved within the working week	53%	53%	63% M*	53%	52%	49%	-	55%	51%
Poor pupil behaviour and lack of support from parents	41%	41%	36% *	37%	52% JKM	41%	-	36%	44% O
Lack of resources/support for pupils with SEN or EAL	14%	14%	19% *	14%	14%	13%	-	15%	14%
Insufficient classroom support	9%	9%	7% *	7%	10%	11%	-	8%	9%
None of the above	1%	1%	3% *	1%	2%	0%	-	2%	1%

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Q3. Which of the following changes, if any, would you most welcome and find helpful in your role as a teacher? (Please select a maximum of 5)

	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575
More resources/funding	38%	36% *	44% L	31%	36%	-	43% P	36%
Smaller class sizes	46%	45% *	47%	48%	42%	-	39%	49% O
Time allowed for new initiatives to embed and be evaluated	63%	61% *	64%	64%	62%	-	70% P	60%
Greater consultation with the profession before new policy initiatives are launched	63%	67% *	59%	64%	66%	-	71% P	60%
More opportunities for professional development	18%	15% *	20%	19%	16%	-	14%	20% O
Less internal and external pressure	62%	69% K*	58%	60%	66%	-	61%	62% O
Less pressure on me individually as a teacher	38%	32% *	38%	40%	40%	-	32%	41% O
Focus of Ofsted to be one of identifying areas for support	41%	37% *	39%	47%	41%	-	47% P	38%
Increased provision of high quality support services such as specialist SEN teams, behaviour support, provided by the local authority	31%	34% *	27%	31%	33%	-	32%	30%
None of the above	1%	- *	1%	1%	0%	-	0%	1%

Q4. How would you currently describe your morale as a teacher?

	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575
Very high	3%	5% *	3%	2%	3%	-	5%	3%
High	24%	L* L	28%	14%	24%	-	25%	23%
Neither high nor low	32%	29% *	31%	36%	31%	-	28%	34%
Low	29%	32% *	27%	32%	26%	-	33% PQ	26%
Very low	13%	9% *	10%	16%	15%	-	9%	14% O
Net: High	27%	30% L*	31%	17%	28%	-	30%	26%
Net: Low	41%	41% *	37%	48% K	41%	-	42% Q	40% Q

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Q5. Has your morale as a teacher improved, declined or stayed the same over the past 2 years?

Unweighted Base	833	91	327	183	232	-	290	543
Base	832	91	328	180	233	-	277	555
Improved	9%	4%	11%	9%	7%	-	7%	10%
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Stayed the same	32%	27%	35%	24%	35%	-	29%	33%
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Declined	59%	69%	54%	68%	58%	-	63%	57%
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Q6a. Do you expect to be working as a teacher in '2' years' time?

Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575
Yes	73%	71%	73%	74%	71%	-	77%	71%
		*					Q	Q
No	27%	29%	27%	26%	29%	-	23%	29%
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Q6b. Do you expect to be working as a teacher in '5' years' time?

Unweighted Base	618	68	242	138	170	-	222	396
Base	618	70	243	134	171	-	213	405
Yes	78%	79%	78%	77%	76%	-	77%	78%
		*					Q	Q
No	23%	21%	22%	23%	24%	-	23%	22%
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Q6c. Do you expect to be working as a teacher in '10' years' time?

Unweighted Base	482	54	189	107	132	-	173	309
Base	479	55	189	104	131	-	164	315
Yes	70%	61%	64%	77%	77%	-	69%	71%
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No	30%	39%	36%	23%	23%	-	31%	29%
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Q7. Which of the following, if any, would influence your decision to leave the teaching profession voluntarily within the next 10 years? (Please select a maximum of 5)

	Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575	
Excessive workload	71%	82%	70%	64%	72%	-	72%	70%	
Bureaucracy	40%	39%	38%	44%	41%	-	38%	41%	
Lack of respect for the teaching profession	53%	57%	53%	55%	48%	-	54%	52%	
Class sizes	13%	15%	12%	15%	11%	-	10%	14%	
Constant changes/initiatives	50%	47%	49%	52%	51%	-	53%	48%	
Pay and pension changes	56%	57%	54%	57%	59%	-	60%	54%	
Excessive observations/OFSTED inspections	47%	50%	46%	46%	48%	-	46%	47%	
Funding/resources	11%	17%	11%	8%	10%	-	12%	10%	
Other	16%	16%	17%	18%	12%	-	15%	16%	

Q9. Do you think the teaching profession would be stronger if there was just one union for all teachers?

	Unweighted Base	852	98	332	184	238	-	290	562
Base	852	98	333	181	239	-	277	575	
Yes	48%	48%	42%	50%	53%	-	49%	47%	
No	31%	38%	37%	27%	24%	-	32%	31%	
Don't know	21%	14%	21%	23%	23%	-	20%	22%	