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Welcome to the ARK E-type newsletter!

This new monthly newsletter will focus on ARK's resources and events, and highlights some of the things coming up in the next few months. We know that some of you currently use the full range of ARK resources. However, we also know that some of you are users of a particular section, and perhaps aren't aware of the wide range of resources that we offer. We hope that this newsletter will keep you up-to-date with our activities.

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About ARK

ARK is a joint initiative between Queen's University and the University of Ulster, and began in 2000. Our mission is to make social science knowledge on Northern Ireland easily accessible to the widest possible audience. Most of our dissemination is via our website at www.ark.ac.uk, which is divided into four main areas:

- [Surveys](#)
- [Conflict, Politics and Elections](#)
- [Policy, Research and Resources](#)
- [Outreach, Dissemination and Training](#)

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Focus on surveys - what does the public think?

ARK runs three surveys exploring the attitudes of people living in Northern Ireland to a wide range of social issues:

- [Northern Ireland Life and Times \(NILT\)](#) – attitudes of adults aged 18 or over.
- [Young Life and Times \(YLT\)](#) – attitudes of young people aged 16.
- [Kids' Life and Times \(KLT\)](#) – attitudes of children in Primary 7 (aged 10 or 11).

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Life and Times

The results of the 2009 Northern Ireland Life and Times (NILT) Survey are now available. Visit the site at www.ark.ac.uk/nilt/2009 to find tables of results for every question, the questionnaires and the dataset. The 2009 survey included questions on [Community relations](#); [Migrant workers and minority ethnic people](#); [Disability](#); [Leisure time and sport](#); and [Politics](#)

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Young Life and Times

Results from the [2009 YLT](#) are also available, and include questions on [Community Relations](#); [Minority Ethnic Groups](#); [Family](#); [Identity](#); [Mental Health and Self-harm](#); [Rights](#); [Social Capital](#); and [Volunteering](#)

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Kids' Life and Times

The 2010 [Kids' Life and Times](#) survey is now completed, and results will be available soon.

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International Social Survey Programme

As part of the [International Social Survey Programme \(ISSP\)](#), a module of questions is asked in over 40 countries worldwide, with a different theme each year. Where possible, NILT takes part in the ISSP, which allows us to explore how the people of Northern Ireland think compared with many other countries around the world. Selected ISSP data from the Republic of Ireland and Britain are now available on the [Surveys Online](#) section of ARK.

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Bloody Sunday: CAIN resources

The Report of the Bloody Sunday Inquiry (Saville Report) was released on 15 June 2010. [Links to the full text of the Saville Report](#) are available on [CAIN](#). In addition, there is an extensive [section focusing on Bloody Sunday](#), including extracts from books; reports; pamphlets; photographs; audio clips; a list of source materials; a chronology of events; photographs and descriptions of physical memorials; and information on the circumstances in which people were killed.

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Recent publications

ARK produces a range of publications, including Research Updates and fact sheets. For further information visit our [Publications](#) page. Our most recent publications include:

- a fact sheet on [Men and Physical Activity](#), based on data from the 2009 Life and Times Survey, as well as data from the Republic of Ireland. The factsheet was produced to help inform [Men's Health Week](#)
- [Mental and emotional health of 16-year olds](#), by Dirk Schubotz and Gillian McMullan (Research Update 67), which is based on data from the 2009 Young Life and Times Survey.
- [Attitudes towards Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual People in Northern Ireland](#), by Neil Jarman (Research Update 66), which uses Life and Times Survey data from a variety of years.

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Coming soon

Results from 2010 Kids' Life and Times
The 2010-11 ARK seminar series

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