

Reviewing the Family Court “Parenting Through Separation” Participant Feedback

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Overview

Parenting through Separation is a free voluntary information programme for parents and aims to help separating parents help their children. The Ministry of Justice funds providers across the country to deliver the programme. It usually takes place over two sessions of about two hours each and is delivered to groups of up to 16 parents. The content of the programme covers:

- how separation affects children
- what children need during separation
- talking with children
- talking with ex-partners about arrangements for the children
- keeping children away from arguments
- how the Family Court works.

For each participant, a registration form is completed, and at the end of the sessions they are invited to complete an evaluation form. The evaluation form consists of closed questions with scales and one final open ended question. Most parents complete this form.

This paper presents data extracted from the closed questions on the registration and evaluation forms. The data presented in this paper is only for those participants who completed the evaluation form and covers the period from May 2006 (when the programme commenced) until the end of 2010.

The data are presented in the following sections:

- top-line results
- sample description
- selected cross-tabulations
- all variables cross-tabulated by ethnicity.

Top-line results

Participants were asked whether they agreed or disagreed with eight statements about the programme.

Figure 1: Level of agreement with statements about the programme

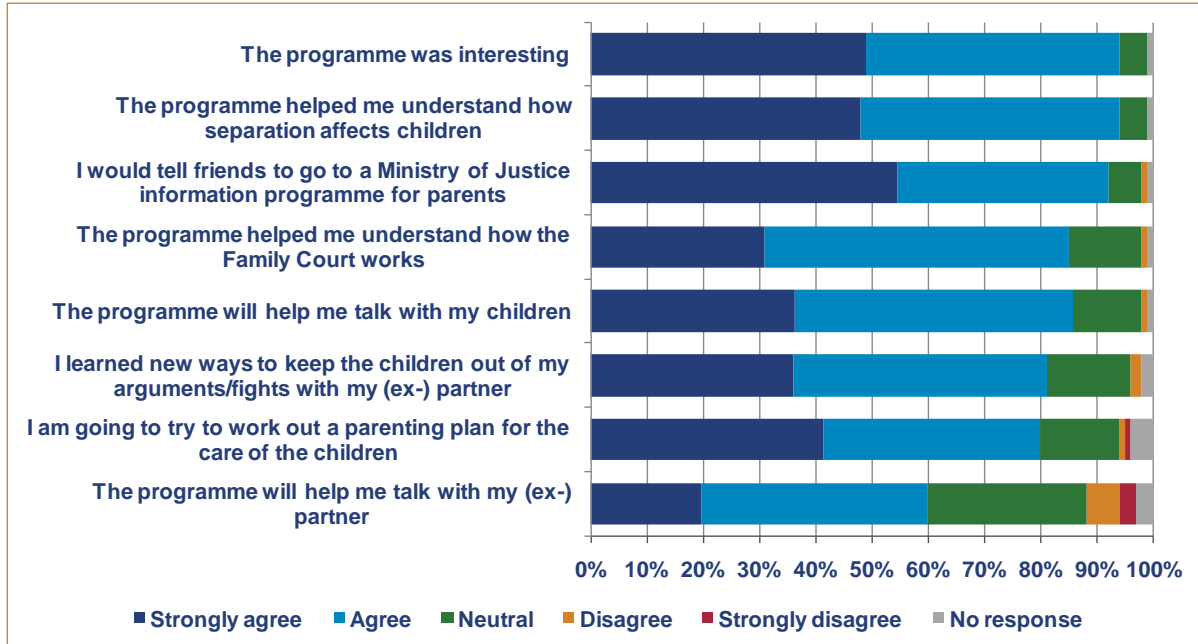


Table 1: The programme was interesting

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	5092	49%
Agree	4658	45%
Neutral	470	5%
Disagree	49	<1%
Strongly disagree	19	<1%
Not specified	65	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

Table 2: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	5010	48%
Agree	4750	46%
Neutral	478	5%
Disagree	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	31	<1%
Not specified	57	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 3: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme for parents

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	5656	55%
Agree	3929	38%
Neutral	593	6%
Disagree	54	1%
Strongly disagree	27	<1%
Not specified	94	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 4: The programme helped me to understand how the Family Court works

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3164	31%
Agree	5548	54%
Neutral	1331	13%
Disagree	134	1%
Strongly disagree	36	<1%
Not specified	140	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 5: The programme will help me talk with my children

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3749	36%
Agree	5098	49%
Neutral	1202	12%
Disagree	117	1%
Strongly disagree	49	<1%
Not specified	138	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

Table 6: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/fights with my (ex-) partner

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3768	36%
Agree	4609	45%
Neutral	1552	15%
Disagree	170	2%
Strongly disagree	38	<1%
Not specified	216	2%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 7: I am going to try to work out a parenting plan for the care of the children

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	4268	41%
Agree	3942	38%
Neutral	1501	14%
Disagree	154	1%
Strongly disagree	65	1%
Not specified	423	4%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 8: The programme will help me talk with my (ex-) partner

	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2041	20%
Agree	4197	41%
Neutral	2956	29%
Disagree	578	6%
Strongly disagree	285	3%
Not specified	296	3%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Participants were asked how good they found various aspects of the programme and how it was delivered.

Figure 2: Rating of aspects of the programme

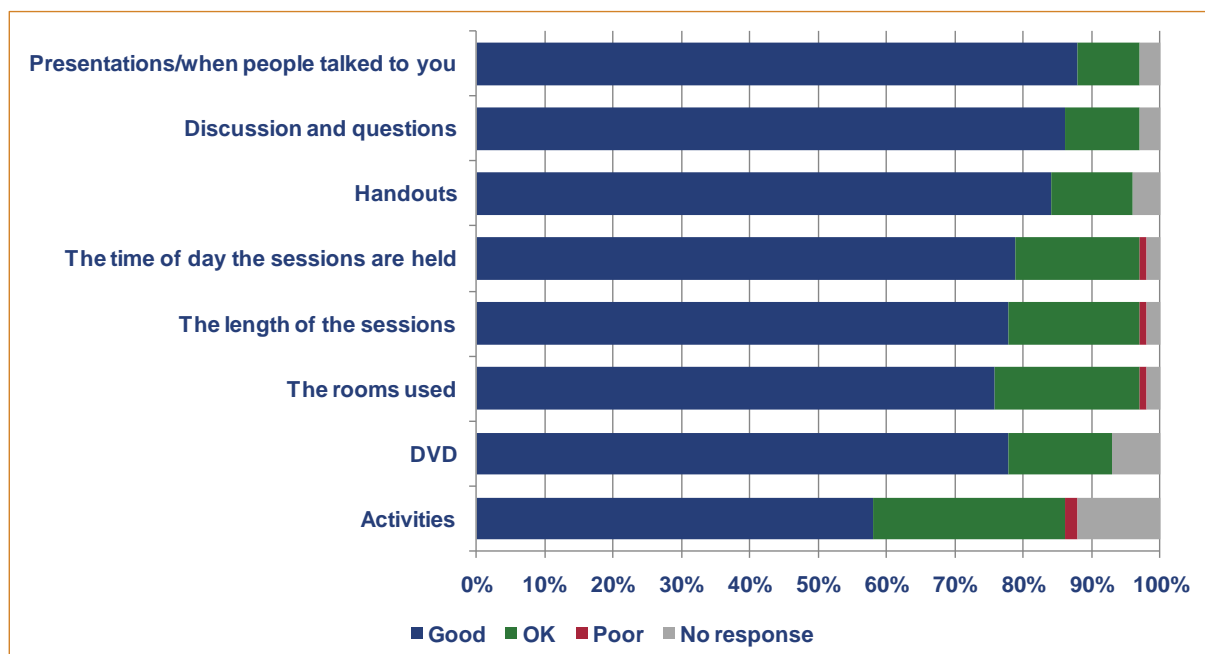


Table 9: Presentations/when people talked to you

	Count	Percent
Good	9101	88%
OK	905	9%
Poor	27	<1%
Not specified	320	3%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 10: Discussion and questions

	Count	Percent
Good	8882	86%
OK	1161	11%
Poor	49	<1%
Not specified	261	3%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 11: Handouts

	Count	Percent
Good	8721	84%
OK	1213	12%
Poor	22	<1%
Not specified	397	4%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 12: The time of day the sessions are held

	Count	Percent
Good	8116	78%
OK	1894	18%
Poor	118	1%
Not specified	225	2%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
 Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

Table 13: The length of the sessions

	Count	Percent
Good	7977	77%
OK	1994	19%
Poor	129	1%
Not specified	253	2%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
 Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

Table 14: The rooms used

	Count	Percent
Good	7761	75%
OK	2201	21%
Poor	138	1%
Not specified	253	2%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
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Table 15: DVD

	Count	Percent
Good	8006	77%
OK	1565	15%
Poor	46	<1%
Not specified	736	7%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All
Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

Table 16: Activities

	Count	Percent
Good	6019	58%
OK	2921	28%
Poor	156	2%
Not specified	1257	12%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All

Sample description

Table 17: Gender

	Count	Percent
Male	4178	40%
Female	6119	59%
Not specified	56	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 18: Ethnicity

	Count	Percent
European	7585	73%
Maori	1644	16%
Samoan	260	3%
Tongan	228	2%
Indian	178	2%
Cook Island Maori	158	2%
Chinese	152	1%
Niuean	49	0%
Other	994	10%
Not specified	76	1%
Total	**	**

** Totals may exceed 100% due to multiple responses

Table 19: Age when attended programme

	Count	Percent
Less than 18 years	25	<1%
18-24 years	109	1%
25-34 years	1043	10%
35-44 years	2701	26%
45-54 years	1514	15%
55-64 years	216	2%
65+ years	42	<1%
Not specified	4703	45%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 20: Whether separated

	Count	Percent
Yes	9358	90%
No	880	8%
Not specified	115	1%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All

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Table 21: Length of separation

	Count	Percent
6 months or less	3621	39%
7 to 12 months	1437	15%
Over 12 months	4084	44%
Not specified	216	2%
Total	9358	100%

Base: Only includes those who indicated they were separated

Table 22: Family Court contact

	Count	Percent
Never been to a family court	4170	40%
Yes, counselling only	541	5%
Yes, applied for orders*	3767	36%
Not specified	1875	18%
Total	10,353	100%

Base: All

Percentages do not always add to 100% due to rounding

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

Table 23: How participants heard about the programme

	Count	Percent
Family Court	2477	24%
Counsellor	2255	22%
Lawyer	1951	19%
Family/friends	1288	12%
Advertising	941	9%
Programme provider	704	7%
Citizens Advice Bureau	195	2%
0800 211 211 helpline	180	2%
Internet/website	178	2%
Community Law Centre	87	1%
Other specify	924	9%
Not specified	95	1%
Total	**	**

Base: All

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Selected cross-tabulations

Table 24: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by year in which programme attended

	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	447	43%	915	49%	838	49%	1087	50%	1723	48%	5010	48%
Agree	516	49%	858	46%	751	44%	975	45%	1650	46%	4750	46%
Neutral	68	7%	59	3%	90	5%	82	4%	179	5%	478	5%
Disagree	4	<1%	5	<1%	5	<1%	5	<1%	8	<1%	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	3	<1%	8	<1%	5	<1%	3	<1%	12	<1%	31	<1%
Not specified	7	1%	12	1%	8	<1%	9	<1%	21	1%	57	1%
Total	1045	100%	1857	100%	1697	100%	2161	100%	3593	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 25: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by gender

	Female		Male		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3023	49%	1944	47%	43	77%	5010	48%
Agree	2721	44%	2017	48%	12	21%	4750	46%
Neutral	300	5%	177	4%	1	2%	478	5%
Disagree	20	<1%	7	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	19	<1%	12	<1%	-	-	31	<1%
Not specified	36	1%	21	1%	-	-	57	1%
Total	6119	100%	4178	100%	56	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 26: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by whether separated

	Yes, separated		No, not separated		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	4497	48%	458	52%	55	48%	5010	48%
Agree	4323	46%	372	42%	55	48%	4750	46%
Neutral	440	5%	34	4%	4	3%	478	5%
Disagree	24	<1%	3	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	29	<1%	2	<1%	-	-	31	<1%
Not specified	45	<1%	11	1%	1	1%	57	1%
Total	9358	100%	880	100%	115	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 27: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by length of separation

	6 months or less		7 to 12 months		Over 12 months		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1866	52%	669	47%	1853	45%	109	50%	4497	48%
Agree	1586	44%	699	49%	1947	48%	91	42%	4323	46%
Neutral	133	4%	61	4%	234	6%	12	6%	440	5%
Disagree	6	<1%	4	<1%	14	<1%	-	-	24	<1%
Strongly disagree	12	<1%	4	<1%	12	<1%	1	<1%	29	<1%
Not specified	18	<1%	-	-	24	1%	3	1%	45	<1%
Total	3621	100%	1437	100%	4084	100%	216	100%	9358	100%

Base: Only includes those who indicated they were separated

Table 28: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by Family Court contact

	Never been to a Family Court		Yes, counselling only		Yes, applied for orders*		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2116	51%	838	45%	1798	48%	258	48%	5010	48%
Agree	1853	44%	931	50%	1732	46%	234	43%	4750	46%
Neutral	152	4%	85	5%	199	5%	42	8%	478	5%
Disagree	11	<1%	6	<1%	8	<1%	2	<1%	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	13	<1%	5	<1%	13	<1%	-	-	31	<1%
Not specified	25	1%	10	1%	17	<1%	5	1%	57	1%
Total	4170	100%	1875	100%	3767	100%	541	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

Table 29: The programme will help me talk with my children, by year in which programme attended

	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	290	28%	689	37%	623	37%	839	39%	1308	36%	3749	36%
Agree	523	50%	945	51%	785	46%	1055	49%	1790	50%	5098	49%
Neutral	164	16%	175	9%	220	13%	225	10%	418	12%	1202	12%
Disagree	27	3%	14	1%	32	2%	13	1%	31	1%	117	1%
Strongly disagree	14	1%	9	<1%	14	1%	5	<1%	7	<1%	49	<1%
Not specified	27	3%	25	1%	23	1%	24	1%	39	1%	138	1%
Total	1045	100%	1857	100%	1697	100%	2161	100%	3593	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 30: The programme will help me talk with my children, by gender

	Female		Male		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2261	37%	1450	35%	38	68%	3749	36%
Agree	2954	48%	2130	51%	14	25%	5098	49%
Neutral	711	12%	487	12%	4	7%	1202	12%
Disagree	70	1%	47	1%	-	-	117	1%
Strongly disagree	31	1%	18	<1%	-	-	49	<1%
Not specified	92	2%	46	1%	-	-	138	1%
Total	6119	100%	4178	100%	56	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 31: The programme will help me talk with my children, by whether separated

	Yes, separated		No, not separated		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3380	36%	331	38%	38	33%	3749	36%
Agree	4625	49%	422	48%	51	44%	5098	49%
Neutral	1098	12%	87	10%	17	15%	1202	12%
Disagree	110	1%	7	1%	-	-	117	1%
Strongly disagree	48	1%	1	<1%	-	-	49	<1%
Not specified	97	1%	32	4%	9	8%	138	1%
Total	9358	100%	880	100%	115	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 32: The programme will help me talk with my children, by length of separation

	6 months or less		7 to 12 months		Over 12 months		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1403	39%	507	35%	1386	34%	84	39%	3380	36%
Agree	1789	49%	729	51%	2012	49%	95	44%	4625	49%
Neutral	350	10%	165	11%	555	14%	28	13%	1098	12%
Disagree	32	1%	19	1%	57	1%	2	1%	110	1%
Strongly disagree	12	<1%	5	<1%	29	1%	2	1%	48	1%
Not specified	35	1%	12	1%	45	1%	5	2%	97	1%
Total	3621	100%	1437	100%	4084	100%	216	100%	9358	100%

Base: Only includes those who indicated they were separated

Table 33: The programme will help me talk with my children, by Family Court contact

	Never been to a Family Court		Yes, counselling only		Yes, applied for orders*		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1592	38%	635	34%	1326	35%	196	36%	3749	36%
Agree	2069	50%	969	52%	1820	48%	240	44%	5098	49%
Neutral	397	10%	229	12%	492	13%	84	16%	1202	12%
Disagree	38	1%	17	1%	55	1%	7	1%	117	1%
Strongly disagree	9	<1%	6	<1%	31	1%	3	1%	49	<1%
Not specified	65	2%	19	1%	43	1%	11	2%	138	1%
Total	4170	100%	1875	100%	3767	100%	541	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

Table 34: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by year programme attended

	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	363	35%	677	36%	659	39%	758	35%	1311	36%	3768	36%
Agree	457	44%	833	45%	742	44%	1003	46%	1574	44%	4609	45%
Neutral	168	16%	267	14%	224	13%	322	15%	571	16%	1552	15%
Disagree	20	2%	26	1%	32	2%	32	1%	60	2%	170	2%
Strongly disagree	2	<1%	12	1%	7	<1%	4	<1%	13	<1%	38	<1%
Not specified	35	3%	42	2%	33	2%	42	2%	64	2%	216	2%
Total	1045	100%	1857	100%	1697	100%	2161	100%	3593	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 35: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by gender

	Female		Male		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2239	37%	1492	36%	37	66%	3768	36%
Agree	2661	43%	1932	46%	16	29%	4609	45%
Neutral	928	15%	621	15%	3	5%	1552	15%
Disagree	107	2%	63	2%	-	-	170	2%
Strongly disagree	25	<1%	13	<1%	-	-	38	<1%
Not specified	159	3%	57	1%	-	-	216	2%
Total	6119	100%	4178	100%	56	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 36: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by whether separated

	Yes, separated		No, not separated		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3425	37%	310	35%	33	29%	3768	36%
Agree	4193	45%	368	42%	48	42%	4609	45%
Neutral	1422	15%	117	13%	13	11%	1552	15%
Disagree	158	2%	9	1%	3	3%	170	2%
Strongly disagree	36	<1%	2	<1%	-	-	38	<1%
Not specified	124	1%	74	8%	18	16%	216	2%
Total	9358	100%	880	100%	115	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 37: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by length of separation

	6 months or less		7 to 12 months		Over 12 months		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1398	39%	532	37%	1405	34%	90	42%	3425	37%
Agree	1653	46%	660	46%	1788	44%	92	43%	4193	45%
Neutral	484	13%	198	14%	718	18%	22	10%	1422	15%
Disagree	48	1%	26	2%	81	2%	3	1%	158	2%
Strongly disagree	7	<1%	6	<1%	22	1%	1	<1%	36	<1%
Not specified	31	1%	15	1%	70	2%	8	4%	124	1%
Total	3621	100%	1437	100%	4084	100%	216	100%	9358	100%

Base: Only includes those who indicated they were separated

Table 38: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by Family Court contact

	Never been to a Family Court		Yes, counselling only		Yes, applied for orders*		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1582	38%	606	32%	1378	37%	202	37%	3768	36%
Agree	1849	44%	895	48%	1649	44%	216	40%	4609	45%
Neutral	555	13%	312	17%	594	16%	91	17%	1552	15%
Disagree	59	1%	30	2%	75	2%	6	1%	170	2%
Strongly disagree	12	<1%	4	<1%	20	1%	2	<1%	38	<1%
Not specified	113	3%	28	1%	51	1%	24	4%	216	2%
Total	4170	100%	1875	100%	3767	100%	541	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

Table 39: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme, by year in which programme attended

	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	573	55%	1056	57%	1006	59%	1195	55%	1826	51%	5656	55%
Agree	394	38%	694	37%	577	34%	831	38%	1433	40%	3929	38%
Neutral	57	5%	77	4%	82	5%	107	5%	270	8%	593	6%
Disagree	5	<1%	7	<1%	9	1%	4	<1%	29	1%	54	1%
Strongly disagree	2	<1%	5	<1%	4	<1%	6	<1%	10	<1%	27	<1%
Not specified	14	1%	18	1%	19	1%	18	1%	25	1%	94	1%
Total	1045	100%	1857	100%	1697	100%	2161	100%	3593	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 40: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme, by gender

	Female		Male		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3535	58%	2079	50%	42	75%	5656	55%
Agree	2162	35%	1757	42%	10	18%	3929	38%
Neutral	318	5%	271	6%	4	7%	593	6%
Disagree	35	1%	19	<1%	-	-	54	1%
Strongly disagree	14	<1%	13	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Not specified	55	1%	39	1%	-	-	94	1%
Total	6119	100%	4178	100%	56	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 41: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme, by whether separated

	Yes, separated		No, not separated		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	5095	54%	502	57%	59	51%	5656	55%
Agree	3572	38%	311	35%	46	40%	3929	38%
Neutral	541	6%	44	5%	8	7%	593	6%
Disagree	51	1%	3	<1%	-	-	54	1%
Strongly disagree	26	<1%	1	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Not specified	73	1%	19	2%	2	2%	94	1%
Total	9358	100%	880	100%	115	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 42: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme, by length of separation

	6 months or less		7 to 12 months		Over 12 months		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2041	56%	802	56%	2125	52%	127	59%	5095	54%
Agree	1368	38%	534	37%	1596	39%	74	34%	3572	38%
Neutral	170	5%	80	6%	282	7%	9	4%	541	6%
Disagree	13	<1%	11	1%	26	1%	1	<1%	51	1%
Strongly disagree	7	<1%	2	<1%	16	<1%	1	<1%	26	<1%
Not specified	22	1%	8	1%	39	1%	4	2%	73	1%
Total	3621	100%	1437	100%	4084	100%	216	100%	9358	100%

Base: Only includes those who indicated they were separated

Table 43: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme, by Family Court contact

	Never been to a Family Court		Yes, counselling only		Yes, applied for orders*		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2376	57%	1030	55%	1986	53%	264	49%	5656	55%
Agree	1537	37%	725	39%	1449	38%	218	40%	3929	38%
Neutral	191	5%	99	5%	257	7%	46	9%	593	6%
Disagree	17	<1%	8	<1%	27	1%	2	<1%	54	1%
Strongly disagree	6	<1%	2	<1%	17	<1%	2	<1%	27	<1%
Not specified	43	1%	11	1%	31	1%	9	2%	94	1%
Total	4170	100%	1875	100%	3767	100%	541	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

All variables cross-tabulated by ethnicity

Table 44: Year in which programme attended, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
2006	694	66%	164	16%	184	18%	3	<1%	1045	100%
2007	1211	65%	302	16%	327	18%	17	1%	1857	100%
2008	1188	70%	216	13%	271	16%	22	1%	1697	100%
2009	1426	66%	317	15%	405	19%	13	1%	2161	100%
2010	2407	67%	645	18%	520	14%	21	1%	3593	100%
Total	6926	67%	1644	16%	1707	16%	76	1%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 45: Gender, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Female	4044	58%	980	60%	1054	62%	41	54%	6119	59%
Male	2875	42%	663	40%	611	36%	29	38%	4178	40%
Not specified	7	<1%	1	<1%	42	2%	6	8%	56	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 46: Age, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than 18 years	14	<1%	4	<1%	7	<1%	-	-	25	<1%
18-24 years	61	1%	29	2%	19	1%	-	-	109	1%
25-34 years	638	9%	248	15%	153	9%	4	5%	1043	10%
35-44 years	1824	26%	397	24%	465	27%	15	20%	2701	26%
45-54 years	1124	16%	120	7%	255	15%	15	20%	1514	15%
55-64 years	145	2%	29	2%	40	2%	2	3%	216	2%
65+ years	10	<1%	3	<1%	29	2%	-	-	42	<1%
Not specified	3110	45%	814	50%	739	43%	40	53%	4703	45%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 47: Whether separated, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Yes	6385	92%	1481	90%	1443	85%	49	64%	9358	90%
No	482	7%	145	9%	247	14%	6	8%	880	8%
Not specified	59	1%	18	1%	17	1%	21	28%	115	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 48: Length of separation, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
6 months or less	2465	39%	522	35%	616	43%	18	37%	3621	39%
7 to 12 months	993	16%	229	15%	209	14%	6	12%	1437	15%
Over 12 months	2788	44%	687	46%	586	41%	23	47%	4084	44%
Not specified	139	2%	43	3%	32	2%	2	4%	216	2%
Total	6385	100%	1481	100%	1443	100%	49	100%	9358	100%

Base: All

Table 49: Family Court contact, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Never been to a Family Court	2718	39%	594	36%	836	49%	22	29%	4170	40%
Yes, counselling only	1415	20%	210	13%	239	14%	11	14%	1875	18%
Yes, applied for orders*	2470	36%	729	44%	550	32%	18	24%	3767	36%
Not specified	323	5%	111	7%	82	5%	25	33%	541	5%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

*Note, includes those who undertook counselling in addition to applying for orders (n=1534)

Table 50: How participants heard about the programme, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family Court	1742	25%	426	26%	298	17%	11	14%	2477	24%
Counsellor	1572	23%	286	17%	387	23%	10	13%	2255	22%
Lawyer	1375	20%	295	18%	264	15%	17	22%	1951	19%
Family/friends	844	12%	221	13%	217	13%	6	8%	1288	12%
Advertising	684	10%	120	7%	135	8%	2	3%	941	9%
Programme provider	297	4%	153	9%	253	15%	1	1%	704	7%
Citizens Advice Bureau	130	2%	23	1%	41	2%	1	1%	195	2%
0800 211 211 helpline	116	2%	32	2%	31	2%	1	1%	180	2%
Internet/website	128	2%	17	1%	32	2%	1	1%	178	2%
Community Law Centre	55	1%	17	1%	15	1%	-	-	87	1%
Other specify	594	9%	174	11%	150	9%	6	8%	924	9%
Not specified	36	1%	15	1%	19	1%	25	33%	95	1%
Total	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**

** Totals may exceed 100% due to multiple responses

Table 51: The programme helped me understand how separation affects children, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3113	45%	914	56%	949	56%	34	45%	5010	48%
Agree	3411	49%	623	38%	678	40%	38	50%	4750	46%
Neutral	338	5%	79	5%	58	3%	3	4%	478	5%
Disagree	17	<1%	5	<1%	5	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Strongly disagree	14	<1%	10	1%	7	<1%	-	-	31	<1%
Not specified	33	<1%	13	1%	10	1%	1	1%	57	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 52: The programme will help me talk with my children, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2227	32%	708	43%	788	46%	26	34%	3749	36%
Agree	3607	52%	733	45%	722	42%	36	47%	5098	49%
Neutral	887	13%	155	9%	148	9%	12	16%	1,202	12%
Disagree	82	1%	18	1%	16	1%	1	1%	117	1%
Strongly disagree	37	1%	7	<1%	5	<1%	-	-	49	<1%
Not specified	86	1%	23	1%	28	2%	1	1%	138	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 53: The programme will help me talk with my (ex-) partner, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1146	17%	401	24%	481	28%	13	17%	2041	20%
Agree	2908	42%	586	36%	673	39%	30	39%	4197	41%
Neutral	2071	30%	467	28%	397	23%	21	28%	2956	29%
Disagree	425	6%	84	5%	62	4%	7	9%	578	6%
Strongly disagree	213	3%	40	2%	29	2%	3	4%	285	3%
Not specified	163	2%	66	4%	65	4%	2	3%	296	3%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 54: The programme helped me to understand how the Family Court works, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	1915	28%	563	34%	664	39%	22	29%	3164	31%
Agree	3872	56%	808	49%	830	49%	38	50%	5548	54%
Neutral	949	14%	208	13%	161	9%	13	17%	1331	13%
Disagree	89	1%	26	2%	18	1%	1	1%	134	1%
Strongly disagree	22	<1%	8	<1%	5	<1%	1	1%	36	<1%
Not specified	79	1%	31	2%	29	2%	1	1%	140	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 55: I am going to try to work out a parenting plan for the care of the children, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2664	38%	735	45%	838	49%	31	41%	4268	41%
Agree	2726	39%	598	36%	588	34%	30	39%	3942	38%
Neutral	1097	16%	216	13%	178	10%	10	13%	1501	14%
Disagree	119	2%	14	1%	20	1%	1	1%	154	1%
Strongly disagree	46	1%	10	1%	8	<1%	1	1%	65	1%
Not specified	274	4%	71	4%	75	4%	3	4%	423	4%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 56: I learned new ways to keep the children out of my arguments/ fights with my (ex-) partner, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	2206	32%	746	45%	786	46%	30	39%	3768	36%
Agree	3293	48%	622	38%	664	39%	30	39%	4609	45%
Neutral	1137	16%	209	13%	195	11%	11	14%	1552	15%
Disagree	125	2%	19	1%	23	1%	3	4%	170	2%
Strongly disagree	29	<1%	7	<1%	2	<1%	-	-	38	<1%
Not specified	136	2%	41	2%	37	2%	2	3%	216	2%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 57: The programme was interesting, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3183	46%	925	56%	947	55%	37	49%	5092	49%
Agree	3329	48%	618	38%	678	40%	33	43%	4658	45%
Neutral	336	5%	67	4%	63	4%	4	5%	470	5%
Disagree	32	<1%	10	1%	6	0%	1	1%	49	<1%
Strongly disagree	10	<1%	6	<1%	3	0%	-	-	19	<1%
Not specified	36	1%	18	1%	10	1%	1	1%	65	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 58: I would tell friends to go to a Ministry of Justice information programme for parents, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Strongly agree	3654	53%	955	58%	1001	59%	46	61%	5656	55%
Agree	2776	40%	542	33%	589	35%	22	29%	3929	38%
Neutral	393	6%	108	7%	87	5%	5	7%	593	6%
Disagree	35	1%	10	1%	8	<1%	1	1%	4	1%
Strongly disagree	16	<1%	7	<1%	4	<1%	-	-	27	<1%
Not specified	52	1%	22	1%	18	1%	2	3%	94	1%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 59: Presentations/when people talked to you, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	6146	89%	1413	86%	1477	87%	65	86%	9101	88%
OK	556	8%	172	10%	168	10%	9	12%	905	9%
Poor	16	<1%	5	<1%	5	<1%	1	1%	27	<1%
Not specified	208	3%	54	3%	57	3%	1	1%	320	3%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 60: DVD, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	5391	78%	1,267	77%	1286	75%	62	82%	8006	77%
OK	1057	15%	231	14%	268	16%	9	12%	1565	15%
Poor	28	<1%	12	1%	5	<1%	1	1%	46	<1%
Not specified	450	6%	134	8%	148	9%	4	5%	736	7%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 61: Handouts, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	5881	85%	1375	84%	1405	82%	60	79%	8721	84%
OK	779	11%	195	12%	227	13%	12	16%	1213	12%
Poor	15	<1%	4	<1%	3	<1%	-	-	22	<1%
Not specified	251	4%	70	4%	72	4%	4	5%	397	4%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 62: Discussion and questions, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	6031	87%	1399	85%	1384	81%	68	89%	8882	86%
OK	711	10%	184	11%	259	15%	7	9%	1161	11%
Poor	30	<1%	11	1%	8	<1%	-	-	49	<1%
Not specified	154	2%	50	3%	56	3%	1	1%	261	3%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 63: Activities, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	3971	57%	999	61%	1008	59%	41	54%	6019	58%
OK	1973	28%	451	27%	477	28%	20	26%	2921	28%
Poor	110	2%	22	1%	24	1%	-	-	156	2%
Not specified	872	13%	172	10%	198	12%	15	20%	1257	12%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 64: The rooms used, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	5182	75%	1268	77%	1255	74%	56	74%	7761	75%
OK	1502	22%	304	18%	380	22%	15	20%	2201	21%
Poor	93	1%	23	1%	19	1%	3	4%	138	1%
Not specified	149	2%	49	3%	53	3%	2	3%	253	2%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 65: The time of day the sessions are held, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	5452	79%	1287	78%	1322	77%	55	72%	8116	78%
OK	1263	18%	293	18%	320	19%	18	24%	1894	18%
Poor	80	1%	17	1%	19	1%	2	3%	118	1%
Not specified	131	2%	47	3%	46	3%	1	1%	225	2%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All

Table 66: The length of the sessions, by ethnicity

	NZ European		Māori		Other		Not specified		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Good	5386	78%	1256	76%	1279	75%	56	74%	7977	77%
OK	1306	19%	313	19%	358	21%	17	22%	1994	19%
Poor	86	1%	25	2%	16	1%	2	3%	129	1%
Not specified	148	2%	50	3%	54	3%	1	1%	253	2%
Total	6926	100%	1644	100%	1707	100%	76	100%	10,353	100%

Base: All