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Methodology

The San Jose Mercury News/Kaiser Family Foundation *Survey on Youth and the Internet in the Silicon Valley* was conducted by telephone between October 10 and December 11, 2002 among a representative group of 804 randomly selected young people ages 10-17 in the Silicon Valley and their parents. Representatives of The San Jose Mercury News and the Kaiser Family Foundation worked together to develop the survey questionnaire and analyze the results. Each organization bears the sole responsibility for the work that appears under its name. TNS Intersearch of Horsham, PA conducted the fieldwork in either English or Spanish based on the respondent's preference.

The margin of sampling error is +/- 4.3 percentage points overall. Note that sampling error will be larger for subgroups and that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other survey.

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Questions asked of parents:

P1. Have you ever used a computer, or not?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	89	92	86
No	11	8	14

P2. Have you ever gone online, or not?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	82	86	78
No	7	6	7
Never used a computer	11	8	14
Don't know	*	0	1

P3. Do you have a computer at home, or not?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	88	89	87
No	12	11	13

Asked if have a computer at home, n=731.

P4. How many computers do you have at home?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
1	33	34	32
2	35	34	36
3	18	20	17
4+	12	12	15

Asked if have a computer at home, n=731.

P5. Do any of the computers at home have Internet access?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	90	92	89
No	10	8	11
Don't know	*	*	1

Asked if have a computer at home with Internet access, n=675.

P6. How many have Internet access?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
1	50	51	50
2	27	29	25
3	12	12	12
4+	11	8	13

Asked if have a computer at home with Internet access, n=675.

P7. What kind of connection do you have to the Internet at home: is it a telephone dial-up or broadband connection? (IF NECESSARY: Broadband includes DSL and Cable Connections)

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Telephone Dial-Up	52	52	51
Broadband	47	47	47
Don't know	1	1	1

Note: If parents gave “don’t know” response their children were given the same question.

P3/P5/P7 Home Access Summary.

	-----Have a computer at home-----						Do not have a computer at home
	With Internet access					Without Internet access	
	NET	NET	Broadband	Telephone Dialup	Don't Know		
Total	88	79	37	41	1	8	12
Parents of Children Age 10-13	89	81	38	42	1	7	11
Parents of Children Age 14-17	87	77	36	40	1	10	13

Note: If parents gave "don't know" response to broadband/dialup question their children were given the same question.

P8. How important do you think knowing how to use computers and the Internet will be to your child's future education?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Very/somewhat NET	96	96	96
Very important	82	79	84
Somewhat important	14	16	12
Not too/Not at all NET	3	4	3
Not too important	2	1	2
Not important at all	2	3	1
Don't know	1	1	1

P9. And how important do you think knowing how to use the Internet will be to their success later in life?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Very/somewhat NET	94	95	92
Very important	67	68	67
Somewhat important	26	27	26
Not too/Not at all NET	4	4	4
Not too important	3	3	4
Not important at all	1	1	*
Don't know	2	1	3

P10. When your (child/children) use the Internet, do you usually know what they are doing online, or not?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	78	81	74
No	16	11	20
Child/children do not use the Internet	2	4	1
Child/children do not go online at home	3	3	3
Don't know	1	2	1

PD1. Are you in a single-parent or two-parent home?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Single parent	20	13	26
Two parent	80	87	74

Asked if two-parent home, n=650.

PD2. As far as you know, has your spouse ever gone online?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	80	83	78
No	18	17	20
Don't know	1	*	2

PD3. Do you consider yourself to be the head of household, or not?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	75	72	77
No	23	25	22
Don't know	2	2	1

PD4. Do either you or your spouse work in the high-tech industry? High-tech usually means things like computers, the Internet, telecommunications, biotech, and things like that.

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes NET	42	46	38
Yes, I do	21	22	19
Yes, spouse does	13	16	11
Yes, both do	8	8	8
No	58	54	61

Asked if have gone online, n=692.

PD5. How comfortable do you feel going online?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Very/somewhat NET	95	96	94
Very comfortable	72	73	71
Somewhat comfortable	23	23	23
Not too/Not at all NET	4	3	4
Not too comfortable	3	3	3
Not comfortable at all	1	*	1
Don't know	1	1	1

Asked if two-parent household and spouse/partner went online, n=551.

PD6. How comfortable do you think your spouse or partner is going online?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Very/somewhat NET	92	93	89
Very comfortable	66	66	65
Somewhat comfortable	26	27	25
Not too/Not at all NET	8	5	10
Not too comfortable	7	5	9
Not comfortable at all	1	*	1
Don't know	1	1	0

PD7. Is the head of household male or female?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Male	59	65	54
Female	40	34	45
Refused	1	1	1

PD8. What is the last grade of school that the head of household completed?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
None, or grade 1-8	7	5	10
High school incomplete	6	5	6
High school graduate	27	28	26
GED	1	1	1
Business, technical, vocational school	2	2	3
Some college, no 4-year degree	16	16	15
College graduate	29	31	27
Post-graduate training	12	12	11

PD9. Is the head of household of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Yes	21	19	23
No	78	79	77
Don't know	*	*	0

PD10. What is the head of household's race? White, black, Asian, or some other race?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
White	62	59	64
Black	5	5	6
Asian	19	22	17
Other	9	9	9
Don't Know	3	4	2

PD9/PD10 Race Summary Table.

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Non-Hispanic NET	79	81	77
White	50	50	50
Black	5	5	5
Asian	19	22	17
Other	5	4	5
Hispanic NET	21	19	23
White	12	9	15
Black	1	*	1
Unspecified	5	6	5
Other	3	4	2

PD11. Age of Head of Household

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
18-24	1	*	2
25-34	10	14	7
35-44	49	52	46
45-54	30	27	34
55-64	5	4	7
65+	1	*	2

PD12. Last year, that is 2001, what was your total household income from all sources, before taxes?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Less than \$30,000	12	11	14
\$30,000 to <\$50,000	15	12	18
\$50,000 to <\$100,000	29	30	28
\$100,000 to <\$200,000	25	27	22
\$200,000 or more	8	10	6

PD13. Does your child go to private or public school?

	Total	Parents of Children Age 10-13	Parents of Children Age 14-17
Private	15	17	13
Public	85	83	86

For the remaining questions in our survey, we would like to interview your child about his/her experiences with computers and the Internet. The survey focuses on kids and technology and includes questions about your child's computer and Internet experiences at home and at school.

Questions asked of 10–17 year olds:

Y1. Have you ever used a computer?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	99	99	99
No	1	1	1

Asked if have ever used a computer, n=796.

Y2. How old were you the first time you used a computer?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
1 - 5	16	18	13
6 - 10	60	65	55
11 - 16	14	4	22
Don't Know	11	13	10

Y3. Have you ever gone online?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	96	93	98
No	4	7	2
Don't know	*	*	0

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y4. How old were you the first time you went online?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
1 - 7	9	15	4
8 - 9	25	38	13
10 - 11	37	33	39
12+	22	5	37
Don't Know	8	10	7

Asked if have a computer at home, n=731.

Y5. Do you have a computer in your bedroom?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	44	37	51
No	56	63	49

Asked if have a computer in bedroom, n=305

Y6. Is the computer in your bedroom connected to the Internet?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	63	60	65
No	37	40	35
Don't know	*	*	0

P3/Y5/Y6 Bedroom Access Summary Table.

(Note: For a summary of home Internet Access, see P3/P5/P7 Summary Table)

	-----Computer at home-----					
	NET	Computer in bedroom			No computer in bedroom	No computer at home
		NET	Internet access on computer in bedroom	No Internet access on computer in bedroom		
Total	88	38	24	14	49	12
Age 10-13	89	33	19	13	56	11
Age 14-17	87	44	29	15	43	13

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y7. Where did you learn how to use the Internet?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
From a parent	42	53	32
From a brother or sister	10	11	9
From friends	11	9	13
In a class	28	26	30
On your own	18	10	24
Other family members	5	6	5
From someone else	*	*	*
Don't know	1	1	1

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y8. And how often do you go online? Would you say...

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Every day	35	25	43
Weekly NET	49	54	46
A couple of times a week	31	34	28
About once a week	19	20	17
Less Often NET	15	20	11
About once a month	10	13	7
Less often than that	6	8	4
Don't know	1	1	*

Y3/Y8 Frequency of Internet Use Summary Table.

	-----Have gone online-----							Have Not Gone Online
	NET	Every day	A couple of times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Less often than that	Don't Know	
Total	96	33	29	18	9	5	1	4
Age 10-13	93	23	31	19	12	7	1	7
Age 14-17	98	42	28	17	7	4	*	2

Asked if online at least once a week, n=654.

Y9. During an average week, about how much time do you spend online?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
More than 10 hours	15	8	21
5 to <10 hours	17	9	24
2 to < 5 hours	28	32	25
0 to < 2 hours	38	49	29
Don't know	2	2	2
Mean	5.5 hours	3.6 hours	7 hours

Y3/Y8/Y9 Summary Table

	-----Have gone online-----								Have Not Gone Online
	NET	Go online at least once a week						Go online less than once a week	
		NET	10+ hours	5 to <10 hours	2 to <5 hours	Less than 2 hours	Don't know		
Total	96	80	12	14	22	30	2	15	4
Age 10-13	93	73	6	7	23	36	2	19	7
Age 14-17	98	87	18	21	22	25	2	11	2

Asked if online once a month or less, or never online, n=144.

Y10. There are a lot of reasons people do not go online more frequently or at all. Could you tell me if each of the following is a minor reason, a major reason, or not a reason that you do not go online more frequently or at all?

a. You never learned how

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Minor reason	28	25	33
Major reason	14	16	10
Not a reason	44	42	49
Don't know	14	17	7

b. You don't have the time

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Minor reason	35	36	33
Major reason	32	26	45
Not a reason	25	30	15
Don't know	7	7	7

c. There is nothing online that interests you

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Minor reason	35	34	36
Major reason	14	13	16
Not a reason	45	49	38
Don't know	6	3	10

d. You don't have access to a computer with Internet access

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Minor reason	28	26	32
Major reason	29	30	27
Not a reason	38	38	37
Don't know	6	7	4

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y11. Have you ever gone online...

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
From school	85	74	94
From a local library	53	48	58
From a church or community center	6	4	8
From a friend or relative's house	86	80	92
From your bedroom	24	20	28
From another room in your house	75	78	73

Y3/Y11 Summary.

	-----Have gone online-----							Have Not Gone Online
	NET	From school	From a local library	From a church or community center	From a friend or relative's house	From your bedroom	From another room in your house	
Total	96	81	51	6	82	23	72	4
Age 10-13	93	69	44	3	75	18	73	7
Age 14-17	98	93	56	8	90	28	71	2

Note: Multiple responses were accepted so percentages may add up to over 100.

Asked if gone online from more than one location, n=736.

Y12. Which is the place you go online from most often?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
At school	15	9	20
At the Public Library	4	3	5
At a church or community center	1	*	2
At a friend or relative's house	6	9	4
In your Bedroom	20	18	23
In another room in your house or at home	54	61	47
Don't know	*	*	0

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y11/Y12 Summary Table (The *only* place they go online or the place they go online most often)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
At school	16	10	21
At the public library	4	3	5
At a church or community center	1	*	2
At a friend or relative's house	7	10	4
In your bedroom	19	16	22
In another room in your house or at home	53	61	46
Don't know	*	*	*

Asked if have ever gone online, n=770.

Y12a. Is the computer you use at (LOCATION GO ONLINE MOST OFTEN) a laptop, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	11	11	12
No	88	88	87
Don't know	1	1	1

Y13. How important do you think knowing how to use computers and the Internet will be to your future education?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Very/Somewhat NET	96	95	98
Very important	64	61	68
Somewhat important	32	35	29
Not too/Not at all NET	3	3	2
Not too important	2	3	1
Not important at all	1	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1

Y14. And how important do you think knowing how to use computers and the Internet will be to your job plans later in life?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Very/Somewhat NET	91	88	94
Very important	59	59	58
Somewhat important	32	29	36
Not too/Not at all NET	6	8	4
Not too important	5	7	4
Not important at all	*	1	*
Don't know	3	4	2

Y15. Which of the following is the *most* important in helping you with your schoolwork: the Internet, the library, your parents, or your friends?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
The Internet	45	31	57
The library	20	24	16
Your parents	24	38	12
Your friends	10	6	13
Don't know	1	1	1

Asked if have used a computer and have gone online, n=768.

Y16. Next I would like to ask you about what you do when you go online. Some people have done these things, and others have not. Please tell me if you have ever gone online to:

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Play games	83	89	77
Get information about something you might buy	68	60	76
Download music	61	51	71
Send email	81	75	86
Use instant messaging	66	58	72
Get information about movies, music, sports, or TV shows	76	70	82
Participate in a chat room or message board	40	26	53
Get news about current events	65	55	75
Look for information about jobs or careers	35	13	54
Look for information about colleges	41	15	63
Get information about things that are hard to talk about with other people	17	11	22
Get information about a health issue that affects you or someone you know	27	12	40
Create a personal web site or web page	29	23	34
Do homework	89	84	92

Asked if gone online to use Instant Messaging or participate in a chat room, n=547.

Y16a. How often do you use instant messaging or participate in a chat room? Would you say:

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Every day	25	20	28
Weekly NET	47	45	48
A couple of times a week	30	28	30
About once a week	17	17	17
Less Often NET	29	35	24
About once a month	12	15	9
Less often than that	17	20	15
Don't know	*	*	0

Y16/Y16a Summary.

	Have used Instant Messaging or participated in chat room						Go online, but do not use Instant Messaging or chat rooms	Have not gone online
	NET	Every day	A couple of times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Less often than that		
Total	69	17	21	12	8	12	26	4
Age 10-13	59	12	17	10	9	11	34	7
Age 14-17	79	22	24	14	7	12	19	2

Asked if use Instant Messaging or chat rooms a couple of times a week or more, n=301

Y17. On those days that you use Instant Messaging or chat rooms, how much time do you spend logged on to an Instant Messaging program or in a chat room?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
10 hours or more	5	2	7
6 - <10 hours	3	1	4
3 - <6 hours	6	0	10
1 - <3 hours	66	64	68
Less than 1 hour	17	28	10
Don't know	2	4	1

Asked if have used a computer and have gone online, n=768.

Y18. Have you ever...

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Written a computer program	12	9	14
Assembled a home computer network	11	6	14
Helped your parents or other adults set up or fix computers	59	57	60

Asked if have gone online from home, n=658.

Y19. When you use the Internet at home, do you ever:

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Watch TV	40	36	45
Listen to music	79	67	90
Talk on the phone	50	40	60
Do homework	69	59	79

(IF YES) Is that most of the time, some of the time, or only once in a while?

a. Watch TV (n=276)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Most of the time	11	7	14
Some of the time	18	18	18
Only once in a while	11	10	12
No, I do not do this	60	64	55
Don't know	*	*	0

b. Listen to music (n=518)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Most of the time	38	24	52
Some of the time	28	26	29
Only once in a while	13	17	10
No, I do not do this	21	33	10
Don't know	0	0	0

c. Talk on the phone (n=350)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Most of the time	6	6	7
Some of the time	27	22	32
Only once in a while	17	12	21
No, I do not do this	50	60	40
Don't know	0	0	0

d. Do homework (n=443)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Most of the time	16	10	22
Some of the time	34	29	40
Only once in a while	19	20	17
No, I do not do this	31	41	21
Don't know	0	0	0

Asked if have gone online from home, n=658.

Y19a-d. Said watch TV, listen to music, talk on the phone, *or* do homework ‘most of the time’ when using the Internet at home.

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Said ‘most of the time’ to any	52	37	67
Said ‘most of the time’ to none	48	63	33

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y20. Do you have your own:

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Palm Pilot, Handspring or other personal digital assistant	10	9	11
Blackberry or some other type of handheld device that connects to the Internet	6	3	10
Laptop	14	11	18
Pager	6	5	7
Cell phone	30	14	44

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y21. Besides seeing your friends in person, what's the main way you stay in touch with them?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
By telephone	71	75	67
Through email	7	8	6
Through instant messaging	18	12	23
In Chat rooms	*	*	*
Through a pager	0	0	0
Through some other wireless device	1	*	1
Some other way	2	2	1
Don't know	*	1	0

Asked if mainly stay in touch by telephone and have cell phone, n=138.

Y22. Is the main way you stay in touch with your friends a home phone or cell phone?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Home phone	66	94	59
Cell phone	32	0	40
Don't know	1	2	1

Asked if gone online to use e-mail, Instant Messaging, or chat rooms, n=652.

Y23. Do you have any friends that you *only* talk to online?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	41	37	45
No	59	63	55

Asked if have gone online to use e-mail, Instant Messaging, or chat rooms, n=652.

Y24. Have you ever gotten to know someone on the Internet who you probably would not have met otherwise?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	30	22	37
No	70	78	63

Asked if have gone online to use e-mail, Instant Messaging, or chat rooms, n=652.

Y25. Have you ever met anyone in person who you first met online?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	14	10	17
No	86	90	83

Y16/Y23/Y24/Y25 Summary Table.

	Have gone online to use e-mail, Instant Messaging, or chat rooms				Have not gone online to use e-mail, Instant Messaging, or chat rooms
	NET	Have friends that <i>only</i> talk to online	Have gotten to know someone on the Internet who probably would not have met otherwise	Met someone in person who first met online	
Total	81	33	25	12	19
Age 10-13	74	27	16	8	26
Age 14-17	88	39	33	15	12

Asked if have gone online to use e-mail or Instant Messaging, n=640.

Y26. Do you have any family members who you *mostly* stay in touch with through email or Instant Messaging, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	46	45	47
No	54	55	53
Don't know	*	1	0

Asked if have gone online to use e-mail or Instant Messaging, n=640.

Y27. Do you ever e-mail or instant message with your parents, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	27	31	23
No	73	69	77
Don't know	*	*	*

Asked if use e-mail or Instant Messaging with parents, n=190.

Y28. Has e-mail or instant messaging increased the amount of communication between you and your parents, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	24	27	20
No	76	73	79
Don't know	*	0	*

Y29. How much, if at all, do you rely on each of the following to stay in touch with friends and family?

a. E-mail (n=622)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
A lot/Somewhat NET	45	48	43
A lot	10	9	11
Somewhat	35	38	32
A little/None NET	54	51	57
A little	37	34	38
None	18	17	18
Don't know	*	*	0

b. Your cell phone (n=218)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
A lot/Somewhat NET	65	44	71
A lot	35	20	39
Somewhat	30	24	32
A little/None NET	35	56	29
A little	25	39	21
None	10	17	8
Don't know	0	0	0

c. Instant Messaging (n=500)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
A lot/Somewhat NET	53	51	55
A lot	21	19	23
Somewhat	32	31	32
A little/None NET	47	49	45
A little	33	34	32
None	14	15	13
Don't know	0	0	0

Asked if used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y30. Who do you think knows more about how to use the Internet?

a. You or your mother

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Self	67	52	81
Other person/people	29	43	17
Know same amount	2	2	2
Don't know	1	2	*

b. You or your father

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Self	50	37	61
Other person/people	47	62	34
Know same amount	3	1	4
Don't know	1	*	2

c. You or most of your teachers

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Self	28	19	36
Other person/people	63	73	55
Know same amount	3	2	5
Don't know	6	7	5

d. You or most of your friends

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Self	33	41	27
Other person/people	47	39	53
Know same amount	16	14	18
Don't know	4	6	2

e. You or most other kids your age

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Self	28	33	23
Other person/people	48	45	51
Know same amount	15	13	16
Don't know	9	9	10

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y31. Do your parents limit how much time you can spend online, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	34	44	26
No	65	56	73
Don't know	*	*	1

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y32. When you use the Internet, do your parents usually know what you're doing online, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	79	89	69
No	21	10	30
Don't know	*	1	*

Asked if have gone online to use e-mail, n=622.

Y33. Can your parents access your e-mail, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	45	61	34
No	51	32	66
Don't know	2	5	1

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y34. Has your use of the Internet caused you to spend more or less time:

a. With your family, or hasn't it made a difference one-way or the other?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
More	8	10	6
Less	9	7	11
No difference	82	82	82
Don't know	1	1	*

b. Reading, or hasn't it made a difference one-way or the other?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
More	11	10	12
Less	18	17	18
No difference	69	71	68
Don't know	1	2	1

c. Watching television, or hasn't it made a difference one-way or the other?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
More	6	8	4
Less	26	26	25
No difference	67	65	69
Don't know	1	1	1

d. Hanging out with your friends, or hasn't it made a difference one-way or the other?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
More	11	13	8
Less	6	7	5
No difference	82	78	86
Don't know	1	1	1

Asked if have used a computer and gone online, n=768.

Y35. Would you say that using the Internet has helped or hurt your grades in school, or hasn't it made a difference one way or the other?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Helped	64	57	70
Hurt	2	2	3
No difference	32	40	26
Don't know	1	1	1

Asked if never gone online from school or at all, n=143.

Y36. Do you have Internet access at your school, or not?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Yes	72	70	80
No	22	23	19
Don't know	5	6	1

Y11/Y36 Summary

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Have Internet access from school	95	91	99
Do not have Internet access from school	5	9	1

Asked if have gone online from school or has Internet access at school, n=759.

Y37. Is the Internet at your school available only for schoolwork or can students use it for their own personal use also?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Available only for schoolwork	62	75	51
Can use it for own personal use	35	21	47
Don't know	3	4	2

Asked if have gone online from school or has Internet access at school, n=759.

Y38. Where are the computers with Internet access located in your school?

(Note: Multiple responses were accepted so percentages may add up to over 100.)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
At your desk	4	2	5
Somewhere else in your classroom	40	40	40
In the library	66	52	78
In a computer lab	66	70	63
Some other place	3	2	3
Don't know	*	*	*

Asked if have gone online from school, n=664.

Y39. How often do you go online from school? Would you say...

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Every day	9	6	12
A couple of times a week	15	10	19
About once a week	23	22	24
About once a month	24	27	21
Less often than that	29	34	25
Don't know	*	*	0

Y40. How good a job does your school do at using computers and the Internet to teach subjects such as English, history, and science? Would you say....

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Very/Somewhat NET	74	74	73
Very good	28	29	26
Somewhat good	46	45	47
Not too/Not at all NET	22	20	23
Not too good	13	11	15
Not good at all	9	9	9
Don't know	4	5	3

Y41. Which is closer to what you think: The computer equipment at your school is mostly old and out of date; or The computer equipment at your school is mostly new and in good shape?

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Mostly old and out of date	12	13	11
Mostly new and in good shape	86	84	87
No computers at school	*	*	*
Don't know	2	2	1

Asked if used a computer or gone online, n=798.

Y42. Now I'm going to read another list of things some people have done with computers. Not everyone has done them. Have you ever:

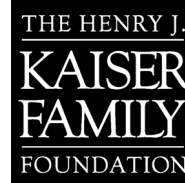
	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
Typed up a project for school on the computer	93	91	95
Researched a school project online	89	86	93
Created web pages as part of a school assignment	24	15	33
Created a presentation to share with your class on the computer	65	55	75
Taken a class about computer or Internet skills	47	42	52
Sent or received email from a teacher or principal	36	22	49
Taken part in an online study group	6	4	8
Copied something from the Internet and handed it in as your own	11	8	13
Had a school assignment that <i>required</i> you to use the Internet	80	71	89
Pretended to be older than you really are so you could get onto a website	20	15	24

Y43. During a typical school day, how often do you: (ONLY ASKED OF THOSE WHO OWN THEM)

Use a cell phone at school (n=229)

	Total	Age 10-13	Age 14-17
A few times a day	18	8	20
About once a day	22	6	26
About once a week	16	23	15
Less than once a week	7	10	6
Never at school	36	52	32
Don't know	1	1	1

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