



Public Advocate and Children and Young People Commissioner



ACT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

WHAT WE HEARD FROM CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH OUR 2019 SURVEY

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The PACYPC **listens to children and young people** to find out **what is important** to them and works with government and the community to promote their views. The PACYPC also **stands up for the rights** of children and young people.

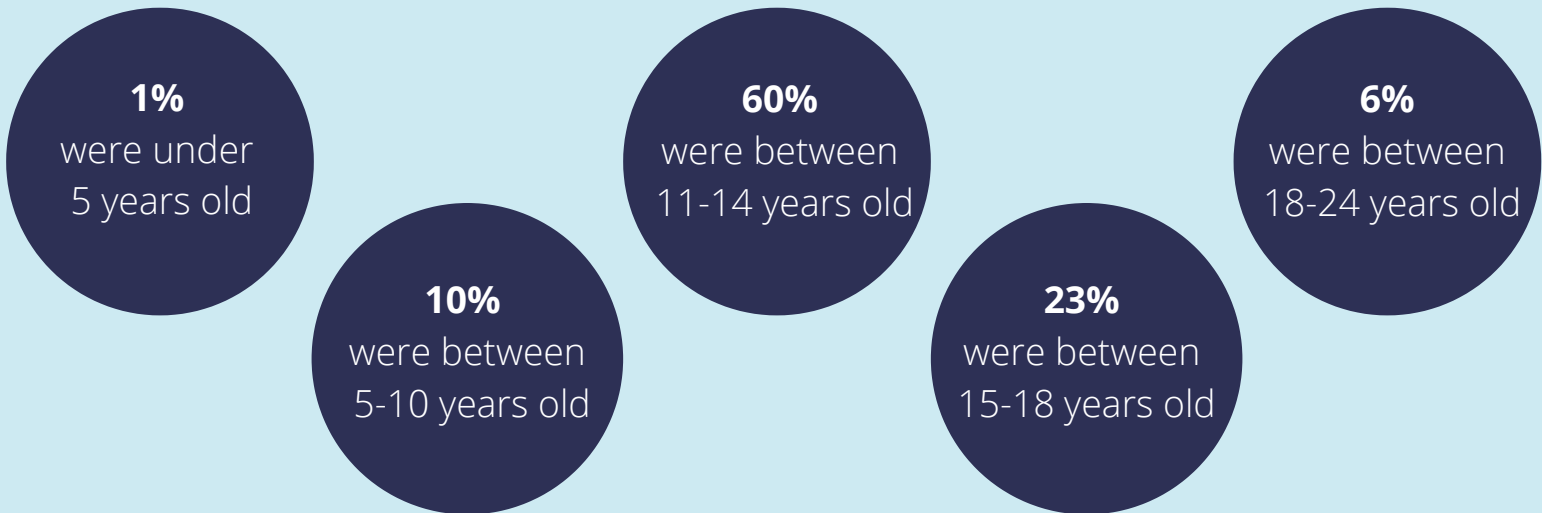
The 'Tell Us What You Think' Survey

In March-May 2019, the PACYPC sent out a survey to children and young people across Australia and New Zealand to find out what they wanted Commissioners to know and what was important to them.

Across Australia and New Zealand, **488 children and young people took part in the survey.**

Some were as young as **5 years old** and others were as old as **24 years old!**

361 children and young people from the ACT answered the survey.



We heard how much children and young people felt they had a say in their lives.....



Home
81% - a lot or a bit
 15% - not much or not at all
 4% - not sure



Work
38% - a lot or a bit
 37% - not much or not at all
 35% - not sure



Day care/School/College/Uni
65% - a lot or a bit
 31% - not much or not at all
 4% - not sure



Community
 35% - a lot or a bit
58% - not much or not at all
 7% - not sure

What is important to ACT children and young people?

5 areas mentioned by children and young people more often than others:

- Education and development**
- Health and wellbeing**
- Giving voice to children and young people**
- Safety and violence**
- Climate change**

Check out the report to find out more - www.hrc.act.gov.au

WHERE TO FROM HERE?

THE PACYPC WILL WORK WITH GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE THE VIEWS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE



JODIE WOULD LIKE TO SAY

THANK YOU

TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED.

WE VALUE YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

We want to hear from you!

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