

Service Children's Progression



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- All delegates are muted
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“Getting into what we were taught, against what we had been taught”

“Always leaving friends and teachers and having to start again, especially with new friends, not having any for a while, and being the ‘new person’”

“Change of style in teaching methods”

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“I moved [to Germany] two weeks before my mock exams and then had to drop one of the subjects I had been doing”

“The levels expected were higher, so I had to repeat a school year to catch up”

“I feel it educated me more.”

“I moved during most exams. This made it incredibly difficult. The change in my syllabus during my GCSEs were a nightmare”

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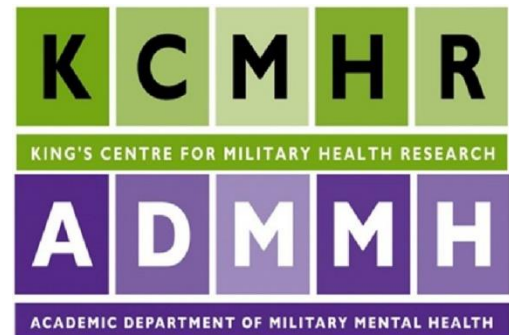
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“Greater support for military families in civvy [civilian] schools, especially when there are only a few. Meet regularly with the child in the first 4 months. Listen, read and act on feedback from previous school. Understand how challenging it is to go from an army school to a civvy school, maybe some sessions with a school counsellor.”

What do we know about UK Military families?

Summary of work from King's College London available at <https://kcmhr.org>

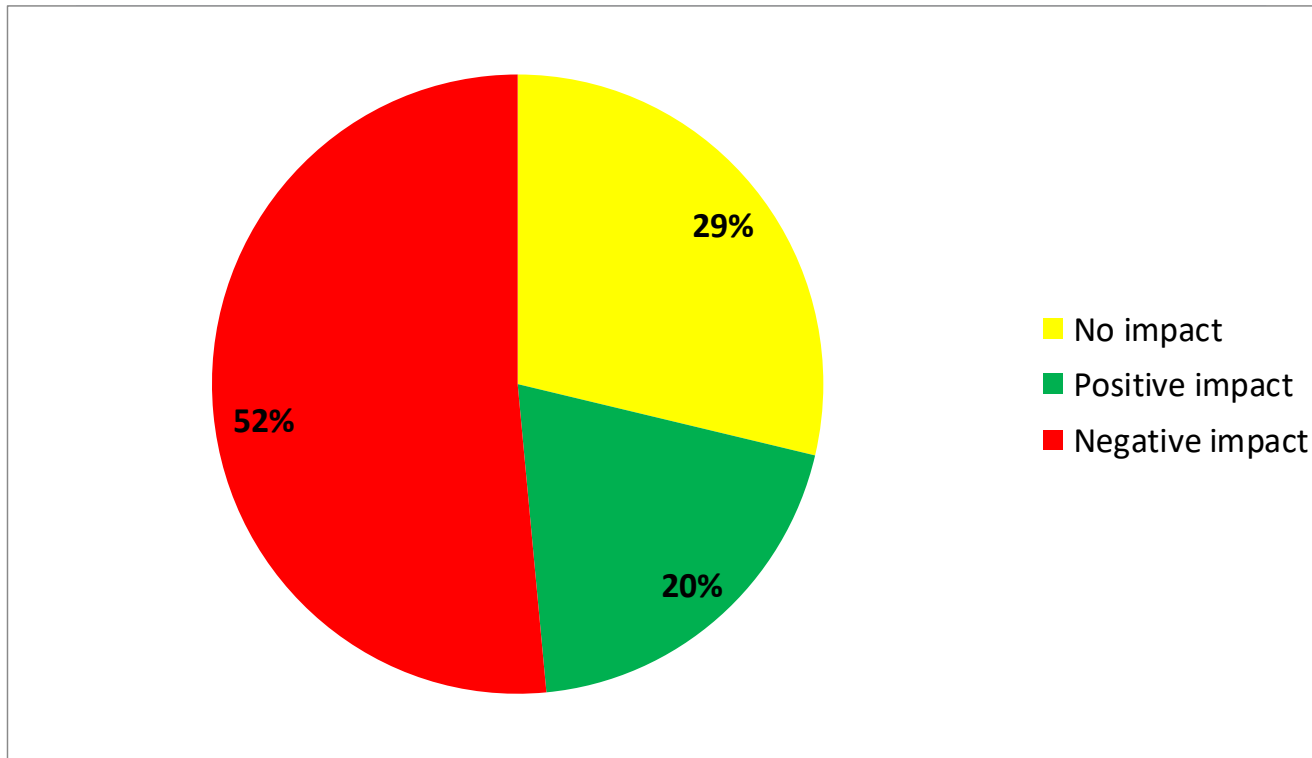


King's College London: Children from Military Families Study

- Data from 621 UK military families, including 1044 children (aged 3-16 years)
- Data directly collected from mums, dads and adolescent aged children (plus some teachers and care givers)
- Child wellbeing associated with parental mental health (PTSD and depression) and alcohol misuse

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Perceived impact of military career on children



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Worst things about having a father in the UK Armed Forces



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Best things about having a father in the UK Armed Forces

Financial benefits
(25%)

Sense of pride (25%)

Relocating (21%)

"That he fights for the country and helps people."

"We go to go to good schools because of the discount that dad gets from the Army."

"I have done and seen things most people wouldn't get to do and it's been really fun"