

FAQs



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Who can take part?

Young people can complete the survey if they are between the ages of 14 to 21 years old, live in Australia and think of themselves as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex or queer (LGBTIQ), or use similar terms to describe themselves.

Do young people need parent/guardian permission to participate?

No, young people don't need parental consent to fill out the survey. Young people between the ages of 14 and 17 years of age may wish to discuss participation with their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) before starting the survey (although this is not a requirement and young people should only do so if they feel comfortable). An information page for parents/guardians can be found [here](#).

Is the survey anonymous?

Yes. The survey is completely anonymous. We don't ask participants any for have no way of identifying No one will be able to identify your specific answers (including the researchers). Your answers will be added to those that other people give and the results will be shared with people who work to improve health and education services for LGBTIQ young people across the country. The results may be reported in a number of ways, including reports, journal articles and presentations. All data from the survey will be kept by La Trobe University for a minimum of 5 years, after which it may be destroyed in a secure way.

What kind of questions will the survey ask?

The questions include things like background (e.g. education, age, what region you live experiences of LGBTIQ inclusive sex education, experiences of homelessness, harassment and discrimination, drug and alcohol use, access to support services, engagement in LGBTIQ communities, thoughts about suicide and self-injury, and coming out. The survey also contains two small sections specifically for people who are transgender or gender diverse and/or people who are intersex. Participants will only be asked these questions if they are relevant for them.

Please contact thisisme@latrobe.edu.au with any further questions.