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The Picture of London



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- Diversity
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- Cultural Engagement

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Cultural Sector

Key findings from 'The Big Conversation' study



Young people





Highlights – Young people and growth

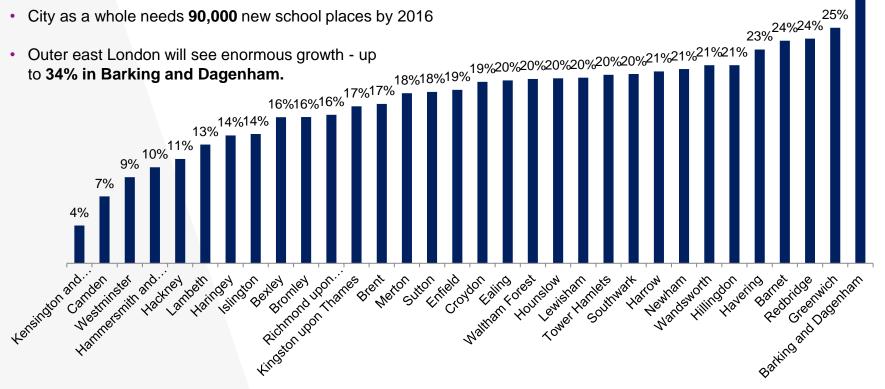
- There are 2.6 million young people under 24 in London
- Those aged 15-24 are 1,101,700 something close to the population of Birmingham
- The boroughs of Newham, Barking and Dagenham and Tower Hamlets are among the top 10 LA in the country with the highest concentration of young people
- Most children live in outer London. Croydon has the largest general population in London and more pupils live there than Hackney and Islington put together



Highlights – Young people and growth

Projected % population increase in 5-12 age group by 2020

 Croydon, Bromley, Newham, Enfield and Redbridge account for 22% of all pupils in London.



Source: GLA

34%



Highlights – Diversity

Percentage of pupils on Free School Meals





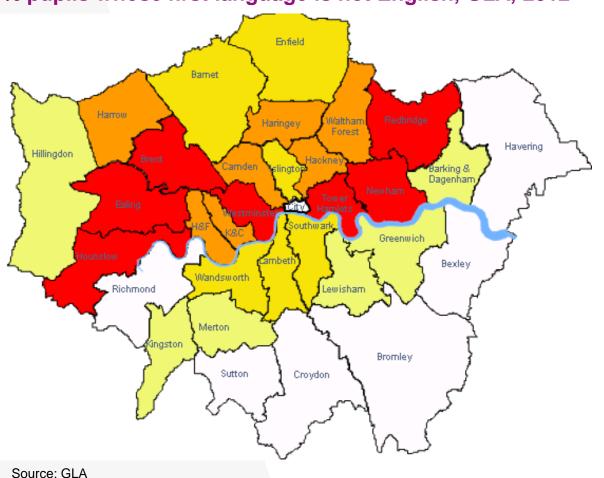
Highlights – Diversity

- In 2012, 37% of the population in London was born abroad compared to 12% nationally
- In 2011 the largest migrant population in London came from India, Poland and Bangladesh
- Tower Hamlets, Newham, Westminster and Brent more than 60% of pupils speak language other than English at home



Highlights – Diversity

% pupils whose first language is not English, GLA, 2012



- —Approximately two thirds of children in London state schools are from an ethnic minority background, compared to less than one third in the rest of the UK.
- —Chinese pupils in London achieve a higher percentage of the national benchmark at GCSE than any other **ethnic group** in England.

Source: GLA

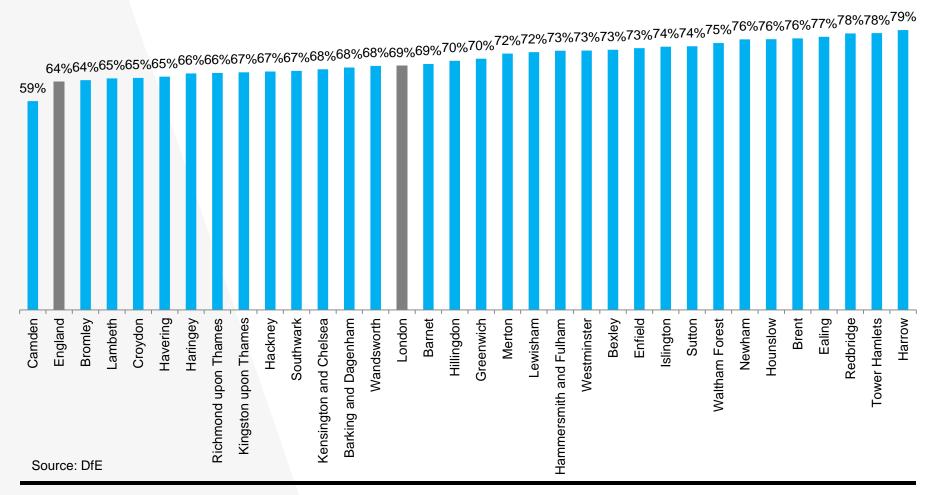


Highlights – qualifications and employment

- 87% of pupils in London go to any educational destination post GCSEs this is more likely to be a sixth form school/college (47%) compared to their peers in England (34%)
- Young people in London are more likely to progress on to HE
 — nearly 70% of young people who enter an A-level/equivalent qualification in London go on to a HE destination compared to 64% in England
- Sutton had more young people going on to Oxford and Cambridge than any other borough



Percentage of pupils going on to an educational destination post A-level/equivalent qualification (2009/2010)





Highlights – qualifications and employment

- By 2020, half of all jobs in London will require degree level qualifications.
- Yet school children from poorer boroughs are less likely to go to the most researchintensive universities (Russell Group and 1994 Group)
- One in four economically active young adults aged 16-24 in London is unemployed compared to one in ten for all working-age adults
- London has lower rates of children aged 16-18 who are NEET (5%) than the England average (6%) but there is considerable borough variation



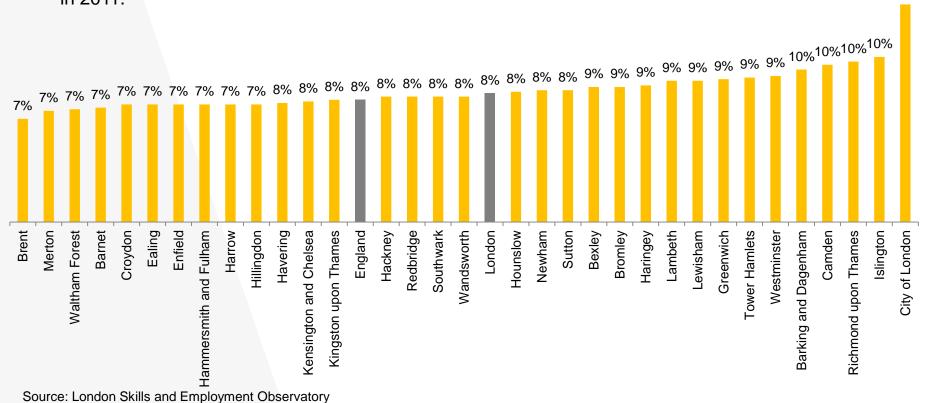
Highlights – Cultural engagement

- In general, children and young people are more likely to engage in the arts and visit museums/galleries than older generations
- London children aged 11-15 is are as likely to engage in arts activities (either at school or in their free time) as all other children in England
- However, they are more likely to have visited a museum (72% vs 68%) and a library (85% vs 68%) than their peers at national level
- 8% of all GCSEs entries in 2011 in London were for arts subjects
- 64,000 pupils taking music qualifications (although 40% of those students come from just 10% of London schools)
- 8,000 young people (1%) in London have achieved Arts Award



Percentage of all subject GSCE entries in arts subjects in 2011

City of London, Islington, Richmond Upon
 Thames, Camden and Barking & Dagenham had the highest number of entries into arts GCSEs in London in 2011.



14%



Schools



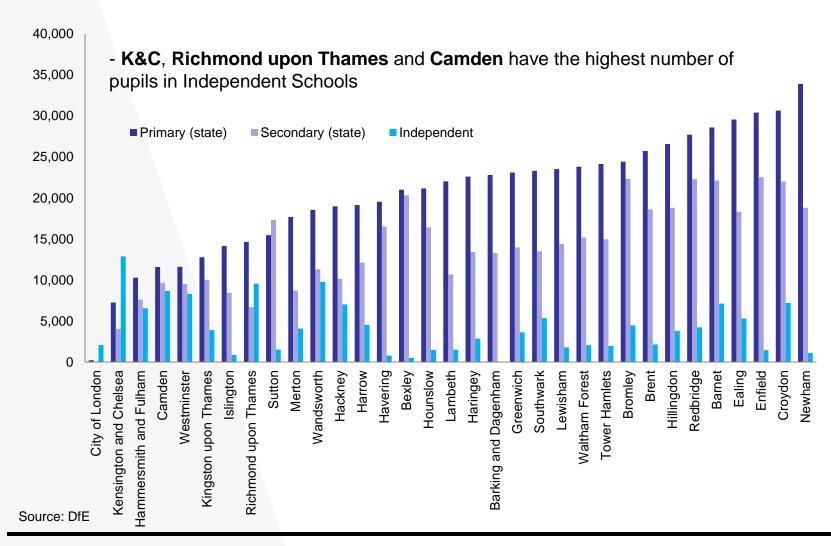


Highlights – Schools

- In May 2012 there were 2,898 schools in London, including local authority controlled primary, secondary and special schools, Academies and independent schools.
- 24% of all independent school pupils in England are at school in London. There
 are about 535 independent schools in London accounting for nearly 140,000 pupils.
- The 'early adopter' boroughs of Harrow, Bexley, Sutton and Bromley all have more than 75% of secondary's run as academies.
- London schools out-perform the rest of the country for achievement. 62% schools in London achieved GCSE benchmark (40% of pupils achieving A*-C GCSEs including Maths and English) compared to the England average of 58%.
- 75% of London schools are good or outstanding by Ofsted compared to 69% of schools across England.

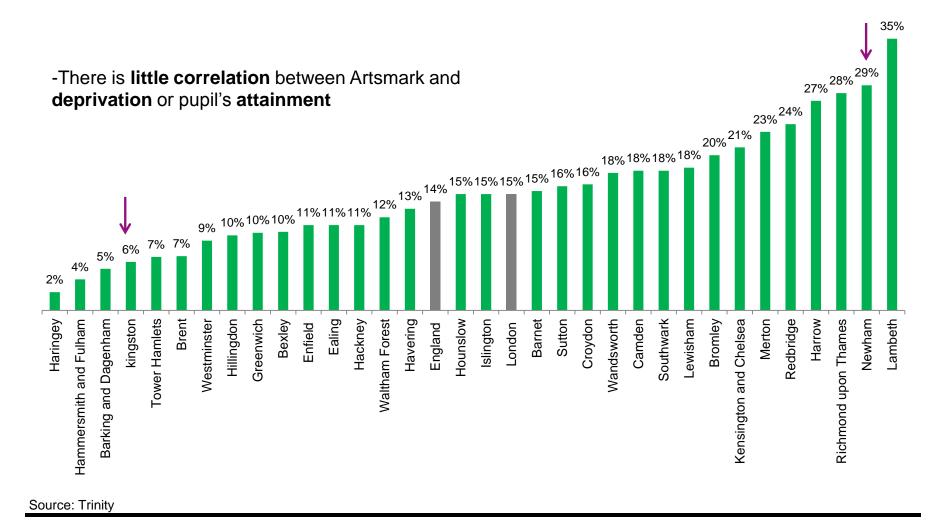


Numbers of pupils in state schools and independent schools





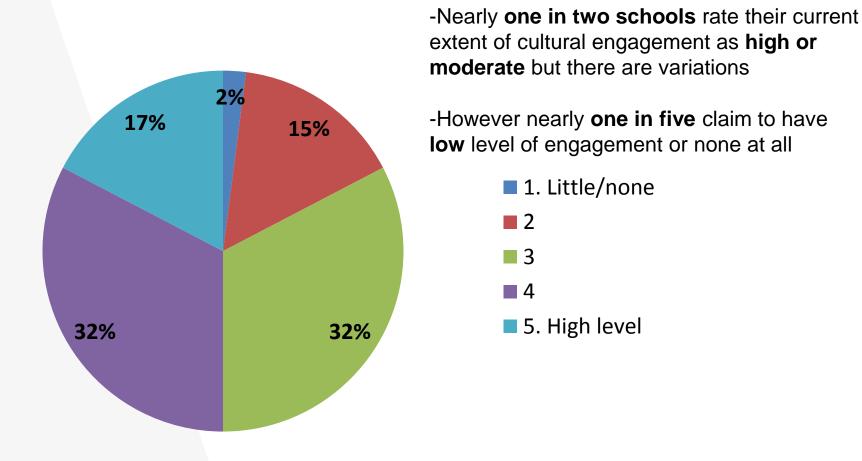
Percentage of schools with Artsmark







Extent of cultural engagement: Schools' self-ratings (scale of 1 – 5)



Q: On a scale of 1 to 5 how would you rate your school's current extent of cultural engagement? Source: nfer





Extent of cultural engagement

- Committed to cultural education and somewhat to cultural engagement
- Reasonably pro-active— but report less initiation from cultural sector
- Particularly engaged with music, theatre, museums and galleries less with creative and cultural industries
- Mixed in their relationships with arts and cultural services
- Engaged with the cultural sector to support extra-curricular activities









Motivations

- For the ultimate benefit of pupils:
 - Improving chances in life and raising their aspirations (60%)
 - Developing positive attitudes towards arts and culture (54%)
- Developing arts/culture specific learning (43%), making a difference to future careers (37%), developing London specific learning (34%) are also strong motivating factors for schools to engage
- Enabling factors include:
 - Relevance to the curriculum (54%)
 - Flexibility to meet schools' needs (49%)
 - Quality of communication and planning (45%)
 - Reputation (e.g. through track record, recommendation, established relationship)





Barriers

Strong

1. Lack of funding (54% 'a strong barrier')

Slight

- 2. Time to arrange activities (53% 'a slight barrier')
- 3. Lack of information on activities available (52%)
- 4. Transport issues (42%)
- 5. Supply cover (40%)

Not a barrier

- 6. Uncertainty about the benefits of engaging in cultural activity (69% 'not a barrier')
- 7. Lack of confidence/skills in arts/cultural teaching (60%)
- 8. Lack of support/interest from parents (51%)









Patterns of engagement

1. Independent schools	 Least 'linked in' to cultural services (e.g. least likely to have relationships with local arts networks, local music services, libraries and pan-London organisations) Limited awareness of Artsmark and Arts Award
2. Special schools	 A higher self-rating for cultural engagement than other schools But less likely than other schools to visit venues, get involved with musical activities or involve parents in cultural activities Transport issues are a barrier
3.Outer London schools	 Less frequent and less strong relationships with cultural sector Less pro-active interaction from cultural organisations Funding and transport barriers

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Segments: which types of engagement?

- Offer a wide range of cultural opportunities
- Two-way engagement in seeking out and being offered opportunities
- No particular barriers
- Motivated by pupil, staff and school level outcomes

High

Cultural commissioners (27%)

Intrigued engagers (29%)

- Limited cultural offer
- Highly motivated and actively want to do more
- Lack of information is a key barrier

- Offer a range of cultural opportunities
- Motivated to enhance young people's life chances and learning through arts opportunities
- No particular barriers

Cultural eclectics (30%)

Other priorities (15%)

- Staff priorities in these schools are elsewhere
- Parents and families not particularly involved arts and culture
- Moderately interested in finding out more

Medium





Segments: which schools?

- All school types, except not many independents
- Inner and outer London
- Across all levels of disadvantage and achievement

High

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Tend to be:

- Primary schools
- Outer London
- Lower performing
- (esp KS1 and KS2)

High

Tend to be:

- Secondary
- Independent
- Inner London
- Less disadvantaged
- Higher performing (secondaries)

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Other priorities (15%)

Medium

- All school types except not many secondaries
- Not common in the lowest or highest FSM areas (i.e. disadvantage does not necessarily mean 'other priorities', nor does 'well off')

Medium

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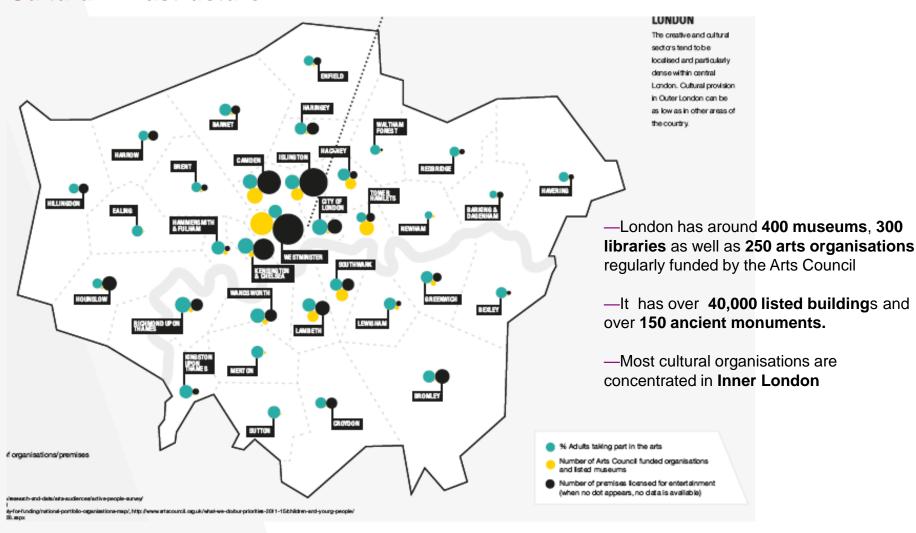


Cultural sector





Cultural infrastructure





Highlights - The Big Conversation

Key challenges for arts and education partnerships emerging from the research:

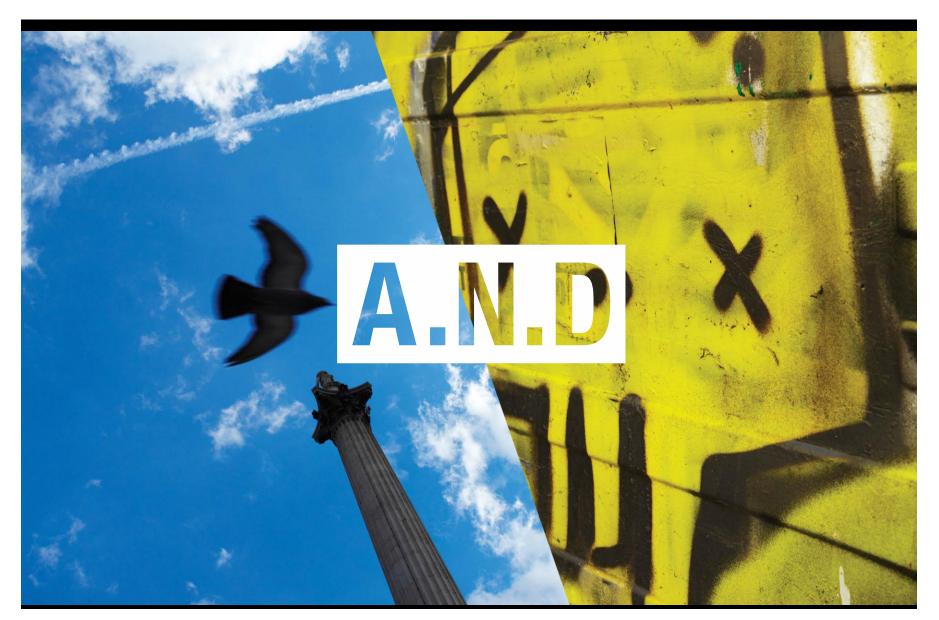
- Targeting communication effectively to relevant contacts within LAs and schools
- Identifying new sources of income and using new models of work in the context of recent changes in the funding environment
- Ensuring quality of provision
- Developing more responsive and reflective evaluation framework



Highlights - The Big Conversation

Some solutions – how can A New Direction help:

- Understanding challenges faced by schools (e.g. Funding, demands of the existing curriculum, timetabling etc)
- Enabling better communication with schools
- Being seen as making a strong contribution across the curriculum
- Helping share best practice on how to engage young people and support their progression
- Championing the value of creativity as a sector and building a strong advocacy base for it



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