

DATA PROTECTION DECLARATION –

PISA 2022 Teacher Questionnaires

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Note: This declaration refers to the collection of data from teachers.

For which purpose are data collected and processed?

The data collected during the Programme for International Student Assessment study (PISA 2022) will be used exclusively for scientific purposes. PISA is an educational research project sponsored by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). The Educational Research Centre (ERC) is administering PISA in Ireland at the request of, and on behalf of, the Department of Education and Skills. This is in accordance with one of the functions (“carrying out national and international assessments of the attainment levels and academic achievement of students and reporting on such assessments to the Minister”) set out in the ERC’s Establishment Order as a statutory body (which can be viewed in full at: <http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2015/si/392/made/en/print>).

The ERC’s legal basis for processing personal data as per GDPR (Article 6) is “the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller”.

Which information is requested?

Mathematics teachers and mathematics co-ordinators in the participating PISA schools are invited to complete a questionnaire in order to provide the study with information about teachers of mathematics in Ireland such as their gender, education, and experience; their working life; their continuing professional development; their teaching practices; the teaching of mathematics more generally; digital learning and resources in mathematics classes; mathematics and Transition Year; and the organisation of mathematics within the school.

- In order to ensure that PISA is based on scientifically selected samples of pupils and schools, schools are expected to co-operate with the administration of PISA in their school where requested to do so (DES Circular 0056; 2011).
- Teachers and mathematics co-ordinators will not be disadvantaged in any way by non-completion of the teacher and mathematics co-ordinator questionnaires, and respondents are permitted to skip individual questions or to discontinue answering the questions at any time.
- By filling in and returning a completed questionnaire, a study participant is consenting to the collection and processing of their data within the questionnaire.

- Withdrawal of consent to the processing of data without stating any reason can be made by any participant up to 4 weeks after the tests have been administered.
- Any participant who wants to remove or amend their information can contact the Educational Research Centre (at 01 8065234 or PISA.Ireland@erc.ie). If an individual withdraws from the study, no additional data will be collected for that individual. Some information on withdrawals and exclusions is retained to validate the sample and to inform future administrations (e.g., to see if girls are more likely to withdraw from participation in the study).
- Queries relating to how personal information is protected can be directed to the ERC's Data Protection Officer (Data.Protection@erc.ie).

What kind of data are collected?

Data from answers to the questions from teachers and mathematics co-ordinators who participate in PISA are collected and stored. This is in the form of numbers representing selections (for example, a multiple choice question, or yes/no selection).

This information cannot, in and of itself, be used to identify individual respondents by name and teacher names are not collected. However, a teacher ID is recorded to uniquely identify each teacher.

Where, how and for how long are data from PISA stored?

PISA data are stored securely in the ERC and cannot be accessed by any external persons or systems. Moreover, any ERC employees who accesses the data for processing have been suitably briefed on what constitutes an acceptable treatment of data and have signed a confidentiality agreement.

The data are stored as follows:

Response data are stored indefinitely so that it remains available for analysis. The PISA mathematics teacher and co-ordinator questionnaires databases will not be publicly accessible.

With whom and how are data from PISA shared?

Data from the PISA mathematics teacher and co-ordinator questionnaires are entered into a database by Kefron, 53 Park Road West, Cherry Orchard, Dublin, D12 F8RK. The transfer of data from the ERC to Kefron is safeguarded by a Data Processing Agreement.

Related data

Along with mathematics teachers and co-ordinators, students, parents and principals are also asked to complete questionnaires.

Public accessibility

The final international research database (which includes data from students, parents and principals but not mathematics teachers or co-ordinators in Ireland) will be accessible to the public from the following sites:

<https://www.oecd.org/pisa/data/>

All data in this database are pseudonymous, and cannot be linked to individuals.

Automated decision-making and profiling

No automated decision-making, including profiling, referred to in Article 22 GDPR is conducted.

Rights of Data Subjects

Data Subjects are entitled to the rights set out in Articles 15-20 GDPR.

Data Subjects have the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority. The relevant authority in Ireland is:

Data Protection Commissioner,
Data Protection Commission,
21 Fitzwilliam Square South,
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