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EU Kids Online seeks to enhance knowledge of European children’s use, risk and safety online

Newly released!

Innovative approaches for investigating how children understand risk in new media:

- Guidance for researchers on balancing methodological innovation with an ethical approach to research with and about children and their online risky experiences.
- Offers fresh perspectives on research designs, especially those that enable children’s participation.
- Examines how the ethical principles of beneficence, protection and participation can optimise research conduct.
- Illustrates the key points with detailed examples of innovative qualitative studies from EU Kids Online.

Recently announced

Zero to eight: young children and their internet use presents the latest evidence on the benefits and risks of the digital age for very young children, based on a review of 70+ recent reports and articles. Includes policy and research recommendations.

Our consultation response to the European Commission’s green paper “Preparing for a Fully Converged Audiovisual World: Growth, Creation and Values”

New findings on children’s mobile use at school, from our sister project, Net Children Go Mobile, show that nearly half of European students are not allowed to use their smart phone at school.

Report on classification of countries’ Children’s experiences of the internet across Europe are examined in terms of online opportunities, incidences of online risk and harm, and types of parent mediation. Countries are divided into four categories:

- Unprotected networkers (AT, HU, LT, SI)
- Protected by restraint (BE, FR, DE, EL, IE, IT, PT, ES, UK)
- Semi-supported risky gamers (BG, CY, CZ, EE, PL, RO)
- Supported risky explorers (NO, FI, SE, DK, NL)

The report includes a portrait of each of the 25 countries included in the EU Kids Online survey. It also includes nationally-specific policy implications based on these findings.

In their own words: what bothers children online? reports the views of nearly 10,000 children who told us about what upsets them and their friends online. Pornography and violent content top children’s concerns. Many children are upset by violent, aggressive or gory online content on video-sharing sites.

European evidence database, fully searchable, with information about 1200 recently conducted studies in Europe on children’s use of internet and mobile technologies; and including summaries of the findings of the 500 key studies.

Report on Children’s use of online technologies in Europe explains what is in the database, and identifies key research trends and pressing research gaps.

Our online Frequently Asked Questions share best practice about research design, sampling and recruitment, methods of data collection, data analysis and reporting.

Coming soon

- Report on the risks associated with mobile and smart phones
- Innovative methodologies report - for guidance on research with young children in the digital age
- Russian survey report
- Comparison of European and Brazilian findings

Further information

Currently, the EU Kids Online network is busy in its 33 countries designing new reports, which analyse our major survey findings and interviewing children in 15 countries regarding the contexts in which they encounter risks and how they cope with them.

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