

<p><b>Search subject:</b> <b>FOI ATISN 13697 - Research undertaken by Welsh Government to understand the needs of young people (18-28) living in rural areas</b></p> <p><u>'Since 2011, has the Welsh Government undertaken any research to understand the needs of young people (18-28) living in rural areas (areas that fall outside of settlements with more than 10,000 resident population)?'</u></p>	<p><b>Siobhan McNally</b>  <a href="mailto:Siobhan.mcnally@gov.wales">Siobhan.mcnally@gov.wales</a>  <b>03000251637</b></p> <p>Started: 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020                  Deadline: 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020                  Completed: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020</p> <p>Requester: Richard Self</p>
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<p><b>Date range:</b> After 2011</p>	

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Well-being of Wales series	Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/well-being-wales">https://gov.wales/well-being-wales</a>	2019	An update on progress being made in Wales towards the achievement of the 7 well-being goals. This includes research on young people, but it is not broken down by area, and the age ranges are split at 16 – 24 and 25 – 34.
Rural Development Programme document 2014 to 2020	Welsh Government; European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development	<a href="https://gov.wales/rural-development-programme-document-2014-2020">https://gov.wales/rural-development-programme-document-2014-2020</a>	2019	Formal programme document setting out the Rural Development Programme for Wales. Some discussion of young people in rural areas and employment. <i>“Research by Improve identified that the food and drink processing industry, and indeed agriculture, are not seen as attractive to young people mainly because they are unaware of, or don’t understand, the</i>

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				<p><i>range and quality of jobs available or the opportunities for career progression."</i></p> <p>This research comes from Improve, supported by funding from the European Commission:  <a href="http://improve-research.eu/?wpmact=process&amp;did=MjYuaG90bGluaw==">http://improve-research.eu/?wpmact=process&amp;did=MjYuaG90bGluaw==</a>                      (Alberto Tumino, 2013. "The effect of local labour market conditions on educational choices: a cross country comparison," ImPRovE Working Papers 13/06, Herman Deleeck Centre for Social Policy, University of Antwerp.)</p>
<p><b>Participation of young people in education and the labour market: 2017 and 2018 (provisional)</b></p>	<p><b>Welsh Government</b></p>	<p><a href="https://gov.wales/participation-young-people-education-and-labour-market-2017-and-2018-provisional">https://gov.wales/participation-young-people-education-and-labour-market-2017-and-2018-provisional</a></p>	<p><b>2019</b></p>	<p>Statistics looks at young people in education or work, but not broken down further by area or rurality.</p>
<p><b>Young people not in education, employment or training (NEET)</b></p>	<p><b>Welsh Government</b></p>	<p><a href="https://gov.wales/young-people-not-education-employment-or-training-neet">https://gov.wales/young-people-not-education-employment-or-training-neet</a></p>	<p><b>2019</b></p>	<p>Statistics looks at young people who are NEET, but not broken down further by area or rurality.</p>
<p><b>Counselling for children and young people</b></p>	<p><b>Welsh Government</b></p>	<p><a href="https://gov.wales/counselling-children-and-young-people">https://gov.wales/counselling-children-and-young-people</a></p>	<p><b>2018</b></p>	<p>Provision of independent counselling services for children and young people aged between 11 and 18 and pupils in Year 6 of primary school for September 2017 to August 2018. Covers up to 18 years, broken down by area.</p>
<p><b>Preventing Youth Homelessness</b></p>	<p><b>Public Policy Institute for Wales (part funded by Welsh Government)</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.wcpp.org.uk/publication/preventing-youth-homelessness/">https://www.wcpp.org.uk/publication/preventing-youth-homelessness/</a></p>	<p><b>2018</b></p>	<p>This report draws upon a careful assessment of evidence to develop a set of recommendations to divert young people from experiences of homelessness effectively. The evidence was taken from international experts, but aimed at assisting Welsh youth, and there was some evidence about rural youth.</p>
<p><b>Youth Entrepreneurship Aspiration Research – Final Report</b></p>	<p><b>OB3 Research and Beaufort Research On behalf of Welsh Government</b></p>	<p><a href="https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-05/youth-entrepreneurship-aspiration-research-final-report.pdf">https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-05/youth-entrepreneurship-aspiration-research-final-report.pdf</a></p>	<p><b>2017</b></p>	<p>OB3 Research and Beaufort Research were commissioned by the Welsh Government to identify and understand the drivers and barriers that influence young entrepreneurs who are considering setting up or who have started a business with the objective of producing a clear segmentation report to challenge and inform service delivery. While not focussing on rurality, a quarter of those surveyed were in rural areas, and four of the in-depth interviewees were from rural areas.  <a href="https://gov.wales/youth-entrepreneurship-aspiration-research-final-report">https://gov.wales/youth-entrepreneurship-aspiration-research-final-report</a></p>

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Evaluation of the Youth Engagement and Progression Framework	Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/evaluation-youth-engagement-and-progression-framework-follow-study">https://gov.wales/evaluation-youth-engagement-and-progression-framework-follow-study</a>	2016	The framework aims to reduce the number of young people not in education, employment or training. It looks at ages up to 18 years.
Rural Poverty in Wales: Existing Research and Evidence Gaps	Public Policy Institute for Wales (part funded by Welsh Government)	<a href="http://ppi.wales.gov.uk/files/2016/06/An-introduction-to-Rural-Poverty.pdf">http://ppi.wales.gov.uk/files/2016/06/An-introduction-to-Rural-Poverty.pdf</a>	2016	This report provides an overview of existing research on the scale and causes of rural poverty with a particular focus on Wales. There is some discussion of young people. There are further publications that are more in-depth here: <a href="https://www.wcpp.org.uk/publication/what-works-in-tackling-rural-poverty/">https://www.wcpp.org.uk/publication/what-works-in-tackling-rural-poverty/</a>
Review of agricultural education: report	Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/review-agricultural-education-report">https://gov.wales/review-agricultural-education-report</a>	2015	An independent review of agricultural further education and how it supports farming. This type of education involves a high proportion of rural youth.
The Experiences and Aspirations of Young People in Rural Wales	Wales Rural Observatory sponsored by Welsh Government	<a href="http://www.walesruralobservatory.org.uk/sites/default/files/WRO%20Young%20People%27s%20Report%202013.pdf">http://www.walesruralobservatory.org.uk/sites/default/files/WRO%20Young%20People%27s%20Report%202013.pdf</a>	2013	This is a report on a multi-method project to examine the experiences and aspirations of young people aged between 15 and 24 years in rural Wales, which has been undertaken by the Wales Rural Observatory [WRO] on behalf of the Welsh Government during the 2012-2013 work programme period.
Rural Youth Project	SWANSEA RURAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP Sponsored by Welsh Government	<a href="https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121109060258/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/media/pdf/6/m/SRDP_Quarterly_Monitoring_Report_100915.pdf">https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121109060258/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/media/pdf/6/m/SRDP_Quarterly_Monitoring_Report_100915.pdf</a> Pages 12 - 19	2011	<p>Funding source: Welsh Assembly Government/Rural Development plan for Wales 2007 to 2013/staff time in-kind                      Amount of funding: £176,500                      Completion date: 28/02/2011                      Area: Swansea</p> <p>Surveys were undertaken as part of this project which was funded by WAG. The ages included were split into under 16 years and 16 – 20 years.</p> <p>Project summary pages:  <a href="https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20110813102959/http://wales.gov.uk/topics/environmentcountryside/farmingandcountryside/ruraldevelopment/projectsdatabase/swansea/ruralyouth/?lang=en">https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20110813102959/http://wales.gov.uk/topics/environmentcountryside/farmingandcountryside/ruraldevelopment/projectsdatabase/swansea/ruralyouth/?lang=en</a></p> <p>More detailed pages:  <a href="https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121109061112/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=24764">https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121109061112/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=24764</a>  <a href="https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121114235526/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=30151">https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20121114235526/http://www.swansea.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=30151</a></p>

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				This page includes information about Rural Area Feedback to Youth Consultation 11-25 year-olds (September 2009 to January 2010). Areas consulted - Pontarddulais, Penclawdd, Garnswllt, Craig Cefn Parc, Bishopston, Rhossili, Reynoldston.
Children and young people's participation in Wales	Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/children-and-young-peoples-participation-wales-0">https://gov.wales/children-and-young-peoples-participation-wales-0</a>	2010	The overall aim of this study was to provide an overview of the evidence of the benefits of children and young people's involvement in decision making. Young people were included up to the age of 25 in various regions of Wales.
DEEP RURAL LOCALITIES	Wales Rural Observatory sponsored by Welsh Government	<a href="http://www.walesruralobservatory.org.uk/sites/default/files/DeepRuralReport_Oct09_0.pdf">http://www.walesruralobservatory.org.uk/sites/default/files/DeepRuralReport_Oct09_0.pdf</a>	2009	Following the publication in 2008 of the policy document 'One Wales', which identified a need to address the particular issues affecting 'deep rural' areas in Wales, the Welsh Assembly Government (WAG) commissioned the Wales Rural Observatory (WRO) to undertake extensive research into these issues. The aim of the research was to explore how residents experienced life in 'deep rural' parts of Wales, with a focus on the strategies and mechanisms adopted with regard to service provision. This research was broken down into different age groups, including those between 16 – 24 and 25 – 34.
Building safer communities where children and young people are valued	Rainer CtC Wales on behalf of Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/building-safer-communities-where-children-and-young-people-are-valued-0">https://gov.wales/building-safer-communities-where-children-and-young-people-are-valued-0</a>	2008	This research examines the profile of risk and protective factors experienced by young people growing up in the various communities and local authorities in Wales.
WALES RURAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2007-13 SUMMARY EX-POST EVALUATION	Agra CEAS Consulting and RSK ADAS for Welsh Government	<a href="https://businesswales.gov.wales/walesruralnetwork/sites/walesruralnetwork/files/documents/Ex-post%20Evaluation%20Report%202007%20-%202013%20EN.pdf">https://businesswales.gov.wales/walesruralnetwork/sites/walesruralnetwork/files/documents/Ex-post%20Evaluation%20Report%202007%20-%202013%20EN.pdf</a>	2016	Agra CEAS Consulting, supported by ADAS, was contracted by the Welsh Government to carry out the ex-post evaluation of the 2007-13 Wales Rural Development Programme (RDP) in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1974/2006. That evaluation report is a lengthy and detailed document and the Welsh Government required this shorter version (the Summary Report) to narrate the main messages, but in a more concise way. The ex-post evaluation used existing material (secondary data and evidence) to form its evidence base. This was supplemented by semi structured interviews with Welsh Government officials and key stakeholders, together with a wider online survey of stakeholders.
WALES RURAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2007-13	Agra CEAS Consulting	Ishare link: <a href="https://documents.hf.wales.gov.uk/id:A28093540/do">https://documents.hf.wales.gov.uk/id:A28093540/do</a>	2016	This ex-post evaluation of the Wales 2007-13 Rural Development Programme (RDP) describes the Measures used in Wales, sets out their aims and objectives, modifications made to the Measures, financial

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EX-POST EVALUATION	and RSK ADAS for Welsh Government	<a href="#">document/versions/published</a>		allocation and expenditure and a summary of activity against target for the 2007 to end of 2015 period. The evaluation questions relevant to this RDP, contained in the EU's Common Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (CMEF), were answered principally using the available secondary data and evidence; financial information on allocations and actual expenditure was provided by the Welsh Government. This was supplemented by semi-structured interviews with Welsh Government officials and key stakeholders, and a wider online survey of stakeholders.
Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 Research Report Ex-ante Evaluation and Strategic Environmental Assessment of the Rural Development Programme - Wales 2014-2020	Welsh European Funding Office for Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-10/rdp-sea-full-report.pdf">https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-10/rdp-sea-full-report.pdf</a>	2014	This SEA has been carried out in conjunction with the development of the RDP and its overall Ex-Ante Evaluation. It aims to ensure that the RDP contributes positively to a high level of environmental protection, as well as supporting the goal of the Welsh Government of working towards sustainable development.
Welsh Government Rural Communities – Rural Development Programme (RDP) 2014 – 2020: 2018 Annual Report - Summary	Welsh Government	<a href="https://businesswales.gov.wales/walesruralnetwork/sites/walesruralnetwork/files/documents/2019%206%2021%202018%20AIR%20citizen%20summary%20FINAL%20pdf%20version.pdf">https://businesswales.gov.wales/walesruralnetwork/sites/walesruralnetwork/files/documents/2019%206%2021%202018%20AIR%20citizen%20summary%20FINAL%20pdf%20version.pdf</a>	2018	The Welsh Government Rural Communities – Rural Development Programme (WGRC-RDP) 2014-2020 is a 7 year investment Programme funded by the Welsh Government and the European Union ('EU') through the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development ('EAFRD'). The Wales RDP was adopted on the 26 May 2015 and has been amended twice, most recently in March 2019.
Welsh Language Use in the Community	Welsh Government	<a href="https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/statistics-and-research/2019-01/welsh-language-use-in-the-community-research-study.pdf">https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/statistics-and-research/2019-01/welsh-language-use-in-the-community-research-study.pdf</a>	2015	<p>This study is intended to support the work of the Welsh Government as it refines and develops its approaches to meet the objectives set out in A living language, a language for living and Moving Forward. The basis of the study was set by the Evaluation Framework for A living language: a language for living published in February 2013.</p> <p>The project aimed to examine how parents use Welsh with their children and how the use of Welsh in the home is influenced by various factors.</p> <p>The study includes the 16-24 age group amongst the Welsh language speakers whose practices were considered, and the rural/urban factor in relation to language use, opportunities and practice was taken into</p>

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				account, if not fully explored (see section 3.30). One of the recommendations of the report (number 4) relates to the need to obtain a more detailed picture of language use in relation to rural/urban tendencies.
<b>14-19 Learning Pathways: review of learner travel</b>	<b>Welsh Government</b>	<a href="https://gov.wales/14-19-learning-pathways-review-learner-travel-0">https://gov.wales/14-19-learning-pathways-review-learner-travel-0</a>	<b>2013</b>	<p>The Measure aimed to ensure learners had access to ‘wider choice and flexibility of programmes and ways of learning’ introduced a requirement for schools to provide learners aged 14-16 and 16-18 with at least 30 choices of educational and vocational courses.</p> <p>This review considers whether the additional inter-institution travel, as a consequence of the Measure’s ‘30 choices’ requirement, has had any impact on learners, teachers, lecturers, and local authorities and, if so, to what extent.</p>
<b>Evaluation of the Young Entrants Support Scheme (YESS) Final Report</b>	<b>Welsh Government</b>		<b>Unpublished (2012)</b>	<p>This report presents the findings of an independent evaluation of the first two years (2010-12) of the Young Entrants Support Scheme (YESS), a Welsh Government initiative to facilitate the establishment of young farmers (under 40) who possess adequate skills and competence and are setting-up as head of the holding for the first time.</p> <p>YESS offered: a capital grant to support investment in farming businesses (at a rate of 50% up to a ceiling of £15,000), assistance to identify training courses and mentoring to facilitate the transfer of expertise from established farmers to young entrants. In addition, through the application process, young entrants were implicitly encouraged to undertake business and personal development planning and, where applicable, succession planning.</p>

Sources and searches

Source	Search Strategies	Notes
Library Catalogue – Soutron	Subject search ("Young people" OR "Young people's activities" OR "Young people's organisations" AND "Rural communities" OR "Rural development" OR "Rural economy" OR "Rural housing" OR "Rural initiative" OR "Rural planning" OR "Rural settlement") after 2011	
gov.wales/publications	Searched for young people related items	
Gov.wales/statistics-and-research	Searched for young people related items	
National Archives archived website	Searched for young people and rural related items on Welsh Government website	
iShare	rural AND "young people" OR youth OR "young adults"	