



Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association

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## **Home Economics is disappearing from Secondary Schools**

### **Appendix A**

#### **SSTA Rep Survey**

93% of Secondary School have Home Economics on the school timetable – 7% of schools do not offer Home Economics at all

#### **Time allocated to HE in secondary schools per week (S1 -S3)**

- S1 - 9% no time allocated, 45% one hour, 44% two hours, 6% more than 2 hours
- S2 - 7% no time allocated, 44% one hour, 41% two hours, 7% more than 2 hours
- S3 - 9% no time allocated, 6% one hour, 24% two hours, 6% more than 2 hours

#### **Time allocated to HE in secondary schools (S4-S6) qualification courses**

- S4 - 2% one hour, 2% two hours, 29% three hours, 67% more than 3 hours
- S5 - 1% one hour, 3% two hours, 10% three hours, 87% more than 3 hours
- S6 - 2% one hour, 2% two hours, 10% three hours, 87% more than 3 hours

#### **Number of Home Economics Teachers**

- 16% of schools 1 HE teacher
- 39% of schools 2 HE teachers
- 21% of schools 3 HE teachers
- 17% of schools 4 HE teachers
- 6% of schools more than 4 HE teachers

#### **Reduction in Home Economics teachers in the last three years**

- 37% of schools have reduced the number of HE teachers

## **Schools that provide HE teachers with technician/auxiliary support**

- 57% have support
- 43% no support

## **Amount of technician/auxiliary support per week**

- Half day (0.1 FTE)– 16%
- One day (0.2 FTE) – 6%
- (0.3) – 13%
- (0.4) – 13%
- (0.5) – 16%
- (0.6) – 4%
- (0.7) – 0%
- (0.8) – 6%
- (0.9) – 3%
- (1.0) – 24%

## **Reduction in technician/auxiliary support in the last three years**

- 31% of schools have reduced in last three years

## **Formal training for technician/auxiliary support**

- 11% have received formal training
- 65% have received no formal training

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