



“The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award, Scouts and Girl Guide update”

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Our mission

To inspire, guide and support young people in their self-development and recognise their achievements.

The Bronze Award



You need to do an activity for each of the sections, over a set amount of time, to achieve your Award:

Volunteering

3

months

Physical

3

months

Skills

3

months

Expedition

**2 days
1 night**

Plus a further 3 months in either the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section

The DofE UK statistics

1 April 2018-31 March 2019

Awards started

287,937

young people embarked on their DofE journey – up 4.3% on last year

This includes

68,774

disadvantaged young people – up 9% on last year



197,718

Bronze Awards started



61,640

Silver Awards started



28,579

Gold Awards started

461,563

young people are currently doing their DofE programme

Supporting young people



Around

40,000

Leaders and volunteers



There are

3,504

Licensed Organisations delivering the DofE

Awards achieved



153,284

Total Awards achieved – that's an increase of 7.2% since last year



109,743

Bronze Awards achieved



31,073

Silver Awards achieved



12,468

Gold Awards achieved

55.5%

achievement rate in 2018/19

In the UK since 1956

Over **3 million** Awards achieved
Over **6.5 million** started

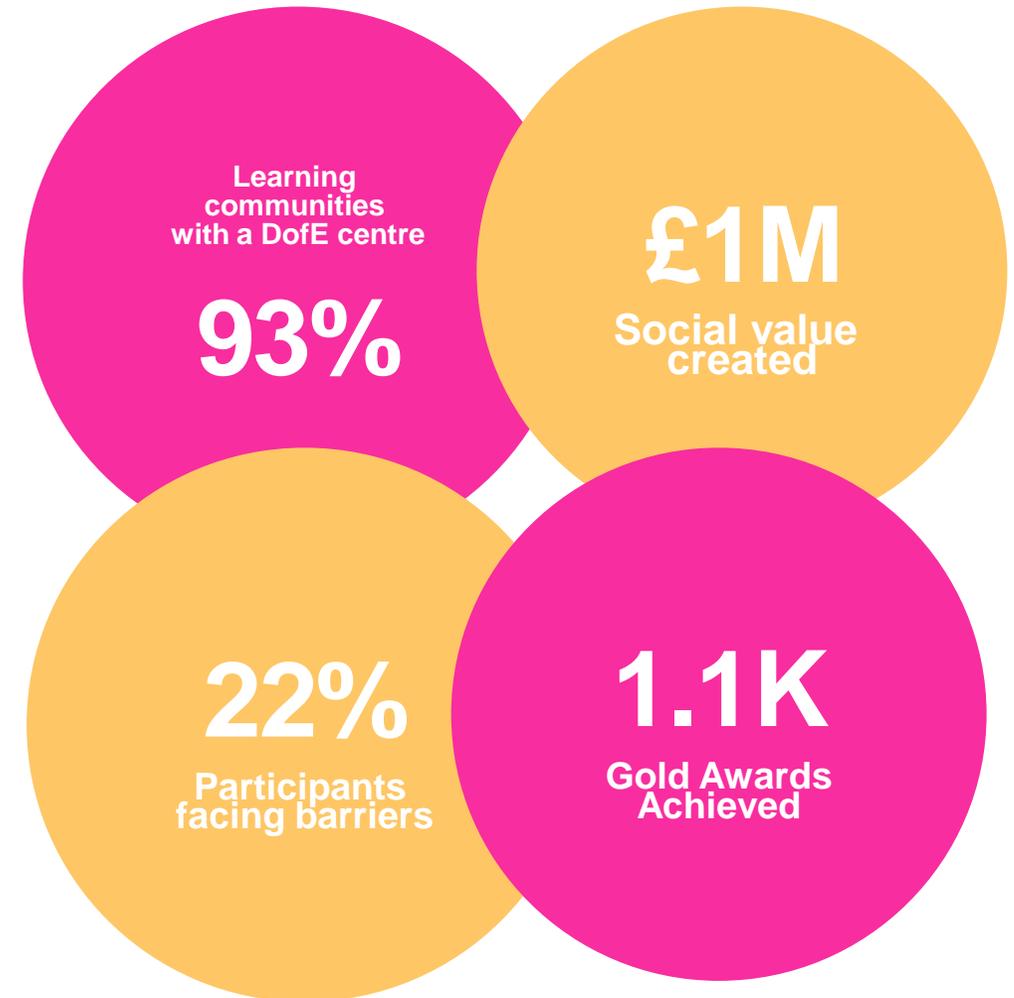
Global

New starters in 2017: **1,800+** daily
Participants in 2017: **1.3 million+**
Countries/territories running DofE programmes: **130+**
Awards achieved in 2017: **328,550**
Number of volunteers: **180,000+**

DofE Scotland 2019



- 21,000 young people starting
- Approx. 1 in 6 young people in S3 doing their DofE
- Over 11,000 Awards achieved
- Over 900 DofE centres
- Nearly 120 partner organisations
- 3,500 volunteers



The Aim of a DofE Expedition



To inspire young people to develop initiative and a spirit of adventure and discovery, by planning, training for and completing an adventurous self-sufficient journey as part of a team.

A flavour of a DofE expedition



What is a DofE Expedition



- **The expedition belongs to the participants.**
- **Any adult intervention is an intrusion into the young peoples' expedition.**
- **Guiding Principles: achievable by all, enjoyable**

Expeditions in Scotland



Participants spent over
45 000 days on
expedition



As part of **2625**
expedition teams (wild
country only)



86% (-4%) were on
walking expeditions



30% of teams used an
Approved Activity
Providers

Changes to Bronze Expedition

- Attempt to make the expedition more accessible
- 20 Conditions have been updated
- Bronze the “introduction” to the DofE
- More Youth Work approach



Not just the Expedition



Gold participants doing
an 'Environment and
conservation'
residential

431

4,039
Participants
volunteering
(environment or
animals)

661

Picked
'Natural world'
activities for
Skills section

70K+

Volunteer
hours each
year for
environment
or animals

Climate Literacy & Action through DofE Expeditions



1. Climate Impact

- Reduced use of plastic on expedition
- Sharing Kit

2. Expedition Transport Mileage

- Carbon offsetting of transport emissions

3. Collect plastic litter

- Leave no trace
- “#Tak it Hame”

4. Environmental Aim



Climate Action Ambassador – Gold DofE Residential



Learn more about how to make a positive change in the face of climate change?

The course has been created to align with UN Sustainable Development Goals and includes a range of sessions to educate and inspire participants to make positive changes in their lives and make their voices heard in our climate emergency.

Scouts UK

- 450,000 members
- 22% growth in the past 10 years
- 60,000 on a waiting list
- 24% Female



The 2019 Scout Experience
Survey – what you had to
say



Do more. Share more. Be more.

Adventure

Young people in Scouts...

...spend on average **1.1** more days a week being physically active
(0.8 days in 2018)

...are **17%** more likely to value the outdoors
(18% in 2018)

... are **10%** more likely to try new things
(9% in 2018)

... are **18%** more likely to have the courage to take risks and try challenging activities
(16% in 2018)



- **93%** of young people (aged 13-17 years) have taken part in Scouts on a weekly basis in the past 12 months
- They report having taken part in activities away from their regular meeting place an average of **10** times per year
- ... and having spent nights away from home on **5** separate occasions per year (on average)
- **15%** say they spend more than half their time in Scouts outside and **41%** spend about half their time outside



- New programme launched in 2018 to reflect the interests & needs of girls in the 21st Century

12 Skills builders

There are 12 skills builders in total, two per theme. You can find out more about the different skills builders for each theme below.

Over 400,000 members
Over 40,000 volunteer leaders





1.3 million
young people

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