Making the most of our insights: How research informs the work of education inspectorates

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The use of school surveys to create a risk based inspection

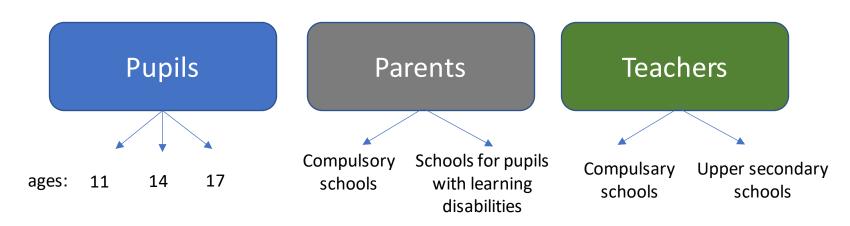
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The Swedish Schools' Survey

- Online survey
- All schools participate on a regular basis
- App. 400 000 respondents per year
- Three questionnaires (pupils, parents, teachers)

Three main target groups:



Some topics in the questionnaires

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Study environment

Safe students

Support in teaching

Stimulating teaching

Pupils' health team

Pupils' influence

Critical thinking

Recreation centres

School leadership

Special support

Pupils	Teachers	Parents
X	X	X
X	X	X
X	X	X
X	X	X
X	X	X
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		X
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Study environment

Pupils

How often is there a peaceful study environment during the lessons?

Parents

How often does there seem to be a peaceful study environment during the lessons?

Teachers

How often do you feel that there is a peaceful study environment during your lessons?

Answer: Always, often, sometimes, rarely, never. Don't know

How often are there disturbances during the lessons that make it hard for you to concentrate?

How often do there seem to be disturbances during the lessons that make it hard for your child to concentrate?

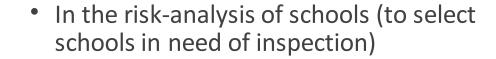
How often is a large part of the lesson time spent on maintaining order?

Answer: Never, rarely, sometimes, often, always. Don't know

Results from the survey are used in multiple ways

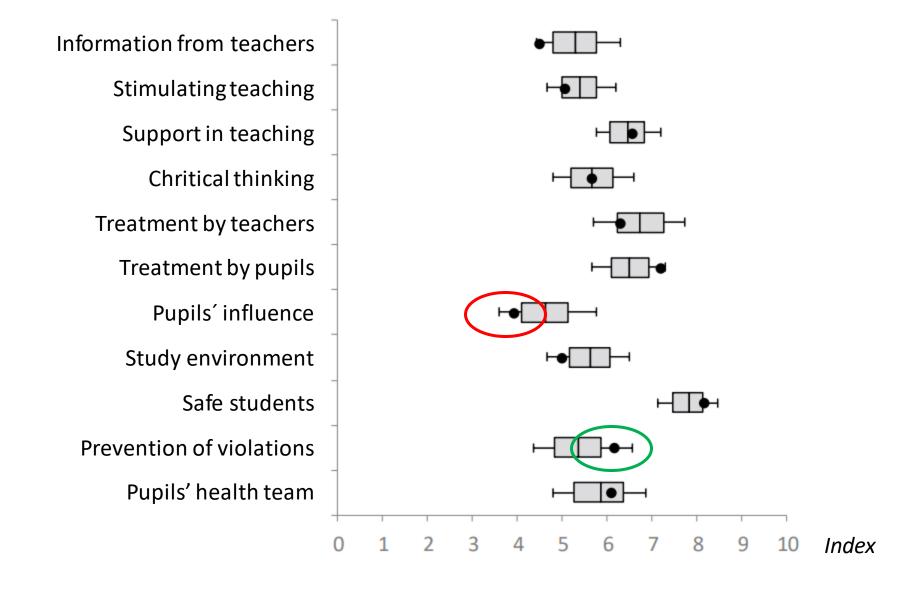






- Used by inspectors when planning and performing inspections
- Goverment-sponsored site: "the school guide"
- National analysis and follow-up of central topics

Example: School level survey report



Different types of inspection / selection models



Planned inspection



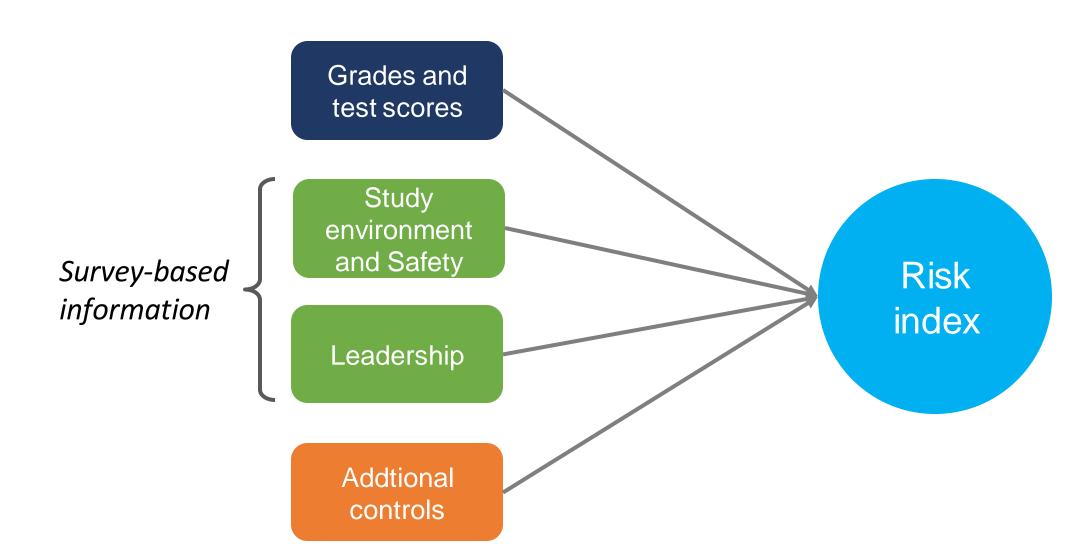
Thematic inspection



Signal based inspection

Planned inspection







Signal based inspection: survey data - a complement to signals