

Findings from the Institute of Health Visiting Surveys

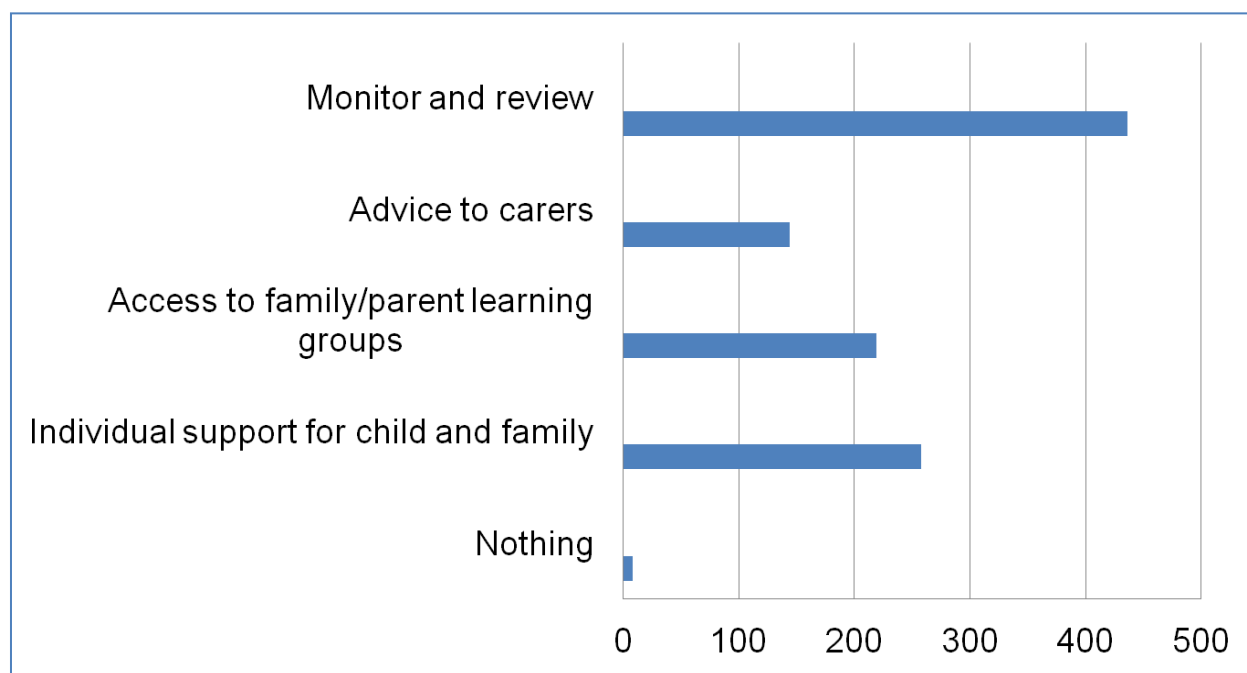
Data from the Institute of Health Visiting 2016 and 2017 surveys contributed to the evidence base for the *Bercow: Ten Years On* report.

Health visitors were asked:

		2016	2017
In your personal experience, has there been an increase in any of the following in the past 2 years?	Speech /communication delay	72% said yes	74% said yes
Reasons for increase in health visitor workload – if due to fewer other services, which service was it?	Speech & Language Therapy	44 %	51%

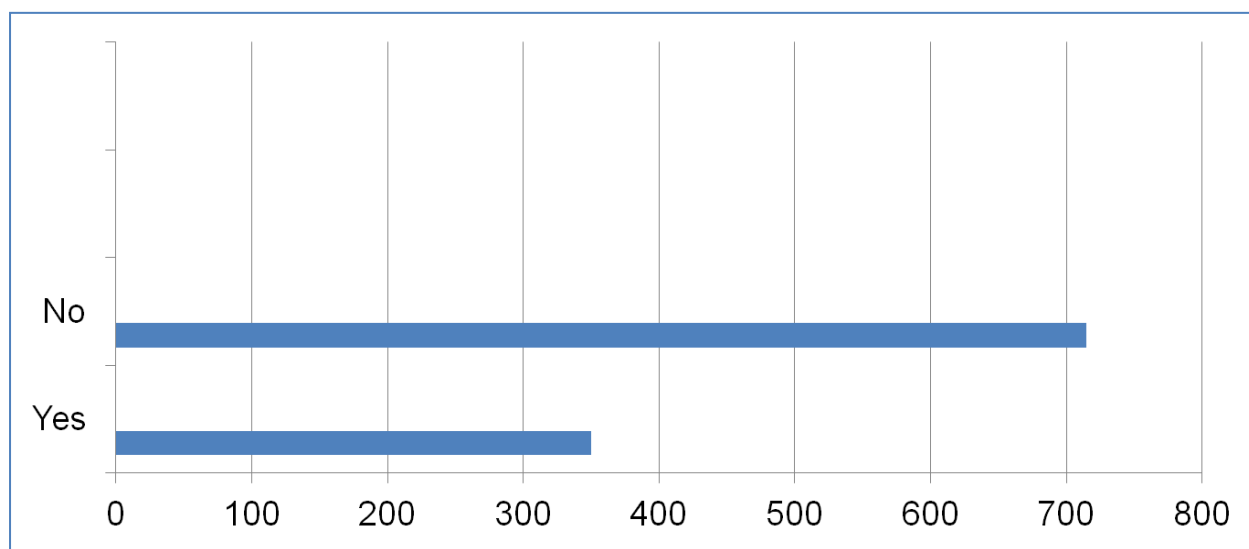
We also asked health visitors:

What happens once early language difficulties/delay are identified at the 2 year check?



Finally, we asked:

If early language difficulties/delay are identified at the 2 year check, are children routinely followed up at 3 years?



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