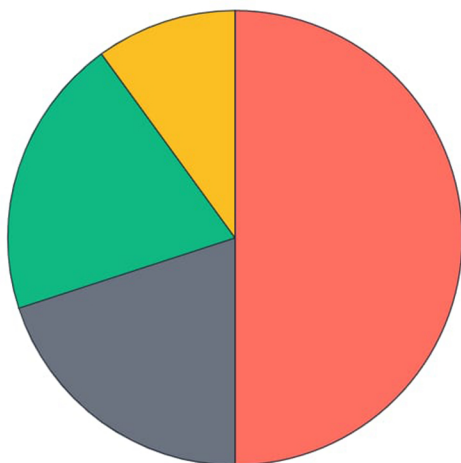


## Participant Ethnicity Distribution



● Black British  
● Asian

● White British  
● Other



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## Disability, Diversity and Inclusion: Autism Oral Histories Infographic

### Key Objectives:

- **Preserve Heritage:** Record 27 oral histories from neurodiverse families, focusing on BME communities.
- **Reduce Stigma:** Combat cultural barriers to autism acceptance via workshops and games.
- **Engage Communities:** Involve 3,000+ participants and 63 volunteers in heritage activities.
- **Enhance Wellbeing:** Improve mental health and reduce isolation for 80% of participants.
- **Build Resilience:** Strengthen Dimobi's capacity through new partnerships and funding.



### Project Activities

- **Oral Histories:** Recorded 27 interviews (12 in Shona/Ndebele),
- **Workshops & Learning Circles:** 4 workshops (200 attendees) and 2 learning circles (50 youth) teaching Oware and lullabies.
- **Exhibitions:** 10 pop-up displays at libraries and Manchester Museum (3,000 visitors).
- **Outreach:** 6 school sessions (600 students)
- **Digital Outputs:** 5 infographics, 200 booklets, and online content.



## Impact & Outcomes

### Impact & Outcomes

- **Wider Engagement:** 3,000+ participants (50% BME, 30% asylum seekers/refugees); 63 volunteers (60% BME).
- **Heritage Preserved:** 10 at-risk African games/songs (e.g., Chihwande-hwande) documented; 85% of visitors rated content accessible.
- **Skills Developed:** 40 volunteers trained (90% certified in oral history/filming); 50% pursued further training.
- **Learning:** 90% of 600 students gained autism heritage knowledge; 70% of parents shifted stigma attitudes.
- **Wellbeing:** 80% reported reduced isolation (15% WEMWBS score increase); 70% of youth improved emotionally (Blob Tree).
- **Resilience:** £5,000 raised via memberships; new partnerships with AIUET and Manchester College.

### Key Achievements:

- **Exceeded Targets:** 63 volunteers (vs. 20 planned); 27 interviews (vs. 25).
- **Digital Reach:** 2,000 film views, 1,000 infographic downloads, openly licensed (Creative Commons BY-SA).
- **Community Impact:** 80% of 200 workshop attendees felt less isolated; 85% of 3,000 exhibition visitors found displays accessible.
- **Sustainability:** Used recycled materials, reduced carbon footprint by 15% (audit).

### Legacy

- **Public Archive:** Outputs in AIUET archive, accessible globally.
- **Ongoing Engagement:** Annual heritage festivals are planned, funded by memberships.
- **Digital Access:** online
- **Future Plans:** Smartphone app by 2026; expand outreach to 10 more schools.

