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PROVISION FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE IN ENGLAND: JANUARY 2006 (FINAL)

INTRODUCTION

This Statistical First Release (SFR) contains the numbers of three and four year olds taking up early education places in the private, voluntary, independent and maintained sectors in England in January 2006, including the numbers of three and four year olds benefiting from some free early education in the private, voluntary and independent sectors. The SFR also contains information on the number of part-time funded places filled by three and four year olds nationally and by local authority. The figures in Tables 1-4 update the provisional figures published in April in the Statistical First Release 17/2006. As well as figures for 2006, the SFR contains figures for previous years from January 2002.

KEY POINTS

All four year olds have been entitled to a funded early education place since 1998 and from April 2004 this entitlement was extended to all three year olds.

Three year olds benefiting from some free early education (Table 2)

In January 2006, the total number of three year olds benefiting from some free early education in maintained schools, the private or voluntary sector or at independent schools was 541,700 or 96 per cent of the three year old population. This is a further increase on the 2004 figure of 521,200 children or 93 per cent when the free entitlement was first extended to three year olds.

- the number of three year olds taking up early education places at maintained nursery and primary schools was 215,500 or 38 per cent of the three year old population. The comparable figures for 2005 are 214,300 or 38 per cent.
- the number of three year olds benefiting from some free early education in the private and voluntary sector was 307,800 or 55 per cent of the three year old population. This is a slight increase on comparable figures for 2005 of 302,000 or 54 per cent.
- the number of three year olds benefiting from some free early education at independent schools was 16,800 or 3 per cent of the three year old population. This is a slight decrease from last year's figures of 17,300 or 3 per cent.

Part-time funded places filled by three year olds (Table 4)

In January 2006, the number of part-time funded places filled by three year olds in the maintained, private, voluntary and independent sectors was 483,500 or 86 per 100 three year old children. The Government's target of universal provision for three year olds is assumed to equate to 90 funded places per 100 three year old children.

The figure for part-time funded places filled of 86 per 100 three year old children is lower than the figure of 96 per 100 children who benefit from some free early education as not all parents are choosing to take up their full entitlement to free early education. One funded place (which consists of five sessions per week) may be filled by more than one child choosing less than their minimum entitlement.

Four year olds benefiting from some free early education (Table 3)

Figures for January 2006 show that all 4 year old children receive some form of free entitlement. The vast majority of the free entitlement taken up by 4 year old children is provided by maintained nursery and primary schools (79 per cent of the 4 year old population).

Part-time funded places filled by four year olds (Table 4)

In January 2006, the number of part-time funded places filled by four year olds in the maintained, private, voluntary and independent sectors was 546,200 or 98 per 100 four year old children.

In a similar pattern to three year olds not all parents are choosing to take up their full entitlement so the number of children benefiting from free early education can exceed the number of part-time places filled. Figures show that four year olds are more likely to access the full entitlement than three year olds.

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January 2002-2006

The tables will be available from 31 August 2006 on the Department's website:
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NOTES FOR EDITORS

Number of Children Benefiting From Some Free Early Education and Number of Part-Time Funded Places Filled by Children

1. A funded place consists of a minimum of 12.5 hours of early education per week for thirty-three weeks of the year. In line with the commitments in the *Ten Year Childcare Strategy: Choice for parents, the best start for children* published in December 2004 the free entitlement will increase to 38 weeks from 1 April 2006 and to 15 hours a week by 2010. By that time, parents who wish to do so will also be able to access the free entitlement flexibly across a minimum of three days. The entitlement is a guarantee of a free place. It is not a voucher; neither should it be regarded as a parental subsidy. Parents do not necessarily take up their full entitlement and one funded place of 55 sessions may be taken up by more than one child choosing less than their minimum entitlement e.g. one child attending 30 sessions in a term and another 25 will count as one minimum entitlement or part-time equivalent place. For this reason, the number of children benefiting from some free early education can exceed the number of part-time funded places filled by children. The number of part-time funded places filled is derived by counting children taking up five sessions per week as one place, four sessions per week as 0.8 places, three sessions per week as 0.6 places, 2 sessions per week as 0.4 places and 1 session per week as 0.2 places. A three or four year old taking up a place at a maintained nursery or primary school is counted as one part-time funded place.

Free Early Education Places

2. All three year olds are eligible for a part-time funded place from 1 September, 1 January or 1 April following their third birthday for up to two years before they reach statutory school age. Free places can be provided in a variety of settings in the maintained and non-maintained sectors. Local Authorities (LAs) make funding available to settings to enable them to provide free places. Further information can be found in 'A Code of Practice on the Provision of Free Nursery Education Places for Three and Four Year Olds', which is available from DfES Publications on 0845 6022260 (quote reference 0175-2006DBW-EN).

Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG)

3. The Five Year Strategy for Children and Learners, published in July 2004, announced that school funding would in future be funded through a ring-fenced grant from DfES to local authorities (the Dedicated Schools Grant, DSG), rather than through the local government finance system. Authorities received indicative DSG allocations for 2006-07 and 2007-08 last autumn using the Department's projections of pupil numbers. These were used to set a guaranteed unit of funding for each authority. The final DSG allocation will use actual pupil numbers from the January before the financial year begins.

4. From April 2006 the EYC January 2006 funded pupil numbers were used in the calculation of authorities DSG allocations. The Department needed to accelerate the process of collection and cleaning of the data with the intention of finalising DSG allocations early in May. This led to a change in the way in which data was collected in 2006. Information on three and four year olds benefiting from some free early education in private, voluntary and independent providers were collected electronically directly from Local Authorities as part of the Early Years Census (EYC) data collection exercise.

Estimates

5. For 2006, information on three and four year olds taking up early education places in private and voluntary providers were collected from returns submitted by early years providers as part of the Early Years Census (EYC) data collection exercise. They have been derived from scaling up the data submitted from the 19,900 providers to the total number of expected private, voluntary and independent providers of early years education (20,600) as based on the the Autumn update exercise. Information on three and four year olds taking up early education places in maintained and independent schools were taken from the Annual Schools' Census (ASC).

6. For 2006, information on three and four year olds benefiting from some free early education in private, voluntary and independent providers were collected electronically directly from Local Authorities as part of the Early Years Census (EYC) data collection exercise. Figures have been derived from the data submitted by 20,800 private, voluntary and independent providers of early years education. These figures may differ from the provisional figures in the April SFR because the provisional figures were scaled due to missing data, whilst the figures shown in this SFR are based on a complete dataset.

Sources of Information

7. The main sources of data were the Annual Schools' Census (ASC) and the Annual Early Years Census (EYC). ASC collected data on three and four year olds from maintained and independent schools in January each year. EYC collected data on three and four year olds taking up early education places from private and voluntary providers and independent schools registered with LAs, in January each year. The figures on the number of three and four year olds taking up early education places at independent schools were derived from ASC. The figures on the number of three and four year olds benefiting from some free early education at independent schools were derived from information submitted by LAs as part of the EYC data collection exercise. The figures on the number of three and four year olds benefiting from some free early education at private and voluntary providers were submitted directly from LAs.

8. Since 2002 ASC has collected individual pupil level information from maintained primary schools; prior to 2004, maintained nursery schools returned school level data only but in 2004 and 2005 some of them provided pupil level data instead; in 2006 all maintained nursery schools moved to pupil level returns. The change from school level to pupil level data in maintained nursery schools may have had a small effect upon the year on year trends in pupil numbers.

9. For 2006 and earlier years, the figures on the number of early education places taken up by three and four year olds at maintained nursery and primary schools were derived from ASC. For 2006, 2005 and 2004, the figures on the number of part-time funded places filled by three and four year olds at private and voluntary providers and independent schools were derived from EYC. For 2003, the figures on the number of part-time funded places filled by three year olds were derived from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise. The figures on the number of part-time funded places filled by four year olds were derived from the Early Years Census Supplementary Data Collection Exercise. For 2002 and earlier years, the figures on the number of part-time funded places filled by three and four year olds were derived from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise.

Population Estimates

10. Numbers of three and four year olds taking up early education places were expressed as percentages of the relevant population. Numbers of part-time funded places filled by three and four year olds were expressed as places per 100 children. The population estimates were derived from mid-year estimates and projections provided by the Office for National Statistics. They are subject to a margin of error and should be considered to be approximations. Participation rates exceed 100% in some instances and may be overstated or understated in others because the counts of children taking up places do not correspond exactly to the counts of children in the population. Children not resident in England are included in the counts of children taking up places.

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Table 1: Number of three and four year olds taking up early education places (1) (2) (3) by type of early education provider

England

2002 - 2006

Position in January each year

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Private and voluntary providers (4)					
Number of children taking up early education places	379,800	428,600 (5)	445,300 (5)	432,800 (5)	429,400 (5)
Percentage of population (6)	32	37	39	39	38
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	274,000 (7)	365,100 (5)(7)	388,600 (7)	396,700 (7)	401,800 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	23	31	34	35	36
Independent schools (9)					
Number of children taking up early education places	56,800	55,800	54,700	52,000	50,100
Percentage of population (6)	5	5	5	5	4
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	31,900 (7)	40,500 (5)(7)	38,400 (7)	39,200 (7)	37,900 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	3	3	3	3	3
Maintained nursery and primary schools:					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	701,200	690,900	676,500	663,800	657,700
Percentage of population (6)	59	59	59	59	59
Nursery schools and nursery classes in primary schools					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	341,400	331,300	320,200	312,300	312,500
Percentage of population (6)	29	28	28	28	28
Infant classes in primary schools (10)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	359,900	359,500	356,300	351,500	345,200
Percentage of population (6)	30	31	31	31	31
Special schools (11)(12)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	4,800	4,400	4,100	3,700	3,600
Percentage of population (6)	-	-	-	-	-
All providers (13)					
Number of children taking up early education places	1,142,700	1,179,700 (5)	1,180,500 (5)	1,152,400 (5)	1,140,800 (5)
Percentage of population (6)	96	101	103	103	102
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	1,012,000	1,100,900 (5)(7)	1,107,500 (7)	1,103,400 (7)	1,101,100 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	85	94	97	98	98

(1) Headcount of children aged three and four at 31st December in the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest hundred.

(2) Numbers of three and four year olds in schools may include some two year olds.

(3) Any child attending more than one provider may have been counted twice.

(4) Includes some Local Authority providers (other than schools) registered to receive Nursery Education Grants; excludes independent schools and providers not registered to receive nursery education grants.

(5) Scaled up from the data as returned by providers to all providers of early years education.

(6) Numbers of three and four year olds taking up places expressed as a percentage of the three and four year old population.

(7) Providers returned the number of three and four year olds for which they had received or expected to receive funding.

(8) Local Authorities returned the number of three and four year olds for which they expected to receive funding.

(9) Includes direct grant nursery schools.

(10) Includes reception and other classes not designated as nursery classes.

(11) Includes general hospital schools.

(12) Excludes pupils who are also registered elsewhere.

(13) Rounding of components may cause discrepancies in totals.

- less than 0.5%

Table 2: Number of three year olds taking up early education places (1) (2) (3) by type of early education provider**England****2002 - 2006****Position in January each year**

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Private and voluntary providers (4)					
Number of children taking up early education places	283,200	321,500 (5)	330,300 (5)	327,000 (5)	322,000 (5)
Percentage of population (6)	48	56	59	59	57
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	184,600 (7)	264,500 (5)(7)	288,400 (7)	302,000 (7)	307,800 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	31	46	51	54	55
Independent schools (9)					
Number of children taking up early education places	27,400	26,800	26,200	24,800	24,100
Percentage of population (6)	5	5	5	4	4
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	10,700 (7)	16,100 (5)(7)	15,800 (7)	17,300 (7)	16,800 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	2	3	3	3	3
Maintained nursery and primary schools:					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	223,500	218,700	215,300	214,300	215,500
Percentage of population (6)	38	38	38	38	38
Nursery schools and nursery classes in primary schools					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	222,000	216,200	212,000	209,500	213,100
Percentage of population (6)	37	37	38	38	38
Infant classes in primary schools (10)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	1,600	2,500	3,300	4,800	2,400
Percentage of population (6)	-	-	1	1	-
Special schools (11)(12)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	2,100	1,900	1,700	1,600	1,500
Percentage of population (6)	-	-	-	-	-
All providers (13)					
Number of children taking up early education places	536,300	568,900 (5)	573,500 (5)	567,600 (5)	563,100 (5)
Percentage of population (6)	90	98	102	102	100
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	421,000	501,200 (5)(7)	521,200 (7)	535,100 (7)	541,700 (8)
Percentage of population (6)	71	87	93	96	96

(1) Headcount of children aged three at 31st December in the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest hundred.

(2) Numbers of three year olds in schools may include some two year olds.

(3) Any child attending more than one provider may have been counted twice.

(4) Includes some Local Authority providers (other than schools) registered to receive Nursery Education Grants; excludes independent schools and providers not registered to receive Nursery Education Grants.

(5) Scaled up from the data as returned by providers to all providers of early years education.

(6) Numbers of three year olds taking up places expressed as a percentage of the three year old population.

(7) Providers returned the number of three year olds for which they had received or expected to receive funding.

(8) Local Authorities returned the number of three year olds for which they expected to receive funding.

(9) Includes direct grant nursery schools.

(10) Includes reception and other classes not designated as nursery classes.

(11) Includes general hospital schools.

(12) Excludes pupils who are also registered elsewhere.

(13) Rounding of components may cause discrepancies in totals.

- less than 0.5%

Table 3: Number of four year olds taking up early education places (1) (2) (3) by type of early education provider**England
2002 - 2006****Position in January each year**

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Private and voluntary providers (3)					
Number of children taking up early education places	96,500	107,100 (4)	115,100 (4)	105,900 (4)	107,400 (4)
Percentage of population (5)	16	18	20	19	19
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	89,500 (6)	100,600 (4)(6)	100,100 (6)	94,700 (6)	94,000 (7)
Percentage of population (5)	15	17	17	17	17
Independent schools (8)					
Number of children taking up early education places	29,400	29,000	28,500	27,200	26,000
Percentage of population (5)	5	5	5	5	5
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	21,200 (6)	24,400 (4)(6)	22,600 (6)	21,900 (6)	21,100 (7)
Percentage of population (5)	4	4	4	4	4
Maintained nursery and primary schools:					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	477,700	472,200	461,100	449,500	442,200
Percentage of population (5)	80	80	80	80	79
Nursery schools and nursery classes in primary schools					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	119,400	115,100	108,200	102,800	99,400
Percentage of population (5)	20	19	19	18	18
Infant classes in primary schools (9)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	358,300	357,000	352,900	346,700	342,800
Percentage of population (5)	60	60	61	62	62
Special schools (10)(11)					
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	2,700	2,500	2,400	2,100	2,100
Percentage of population (5)	-	-	-	-	-
All providers (12)					
Number of children taking up early education places	606,300	610,800 (4)	607,100 (4)	584,700 (4)	577,800 (4)
Percentage of population (5)	101	103	105	104	104
Number of children benefiting from some free early education	591,100	599,700 (4)(6)	586,300 (6)	568,300 (6)	559,400 (7)
Percentage of population (5)	98	101	101	101	100

(1) Headcount of children aged four at 31st December in the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest hundred.

(2) Any child attending more than one provider may have been counted twice.

(3) Includes some Local Authority providers (other than schools) registered to receive nursery education grants; excludes independent schools and providers not registered to receive nursery education grants.

(4) Scaled up from the data as returned by providers to all providers of early years education.

(5) Numbers of four year olds taking up places expressed as a percentage of the four year old population.

(6) Providers returned the number of four year olds for which they had received or expected to receive funding.

(7) Local Authorities returned the number of four year olds for which they expected to receive funding.

(8) Includes direct grant nursery schools.

(9) Includes reception and other classes not designated as nursery classes.

(10) Includes general hospital schools.

(11) Excludes pupils who are also registered elsewhere.

(12) Rounding of components may cause discrepancies in totals.

- less than 0.5%

Table 4: Number of part time funded places filled by three and four year olds (1)(2)

England

2002 - 2006

Position in January each year

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Three year olds					
Maintained nursery and primary schools (3)					
Number of part time funded places filled	223,500	218,700	215,300	214,300	215,500
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	38	38	38	38	38
Other maintained providers and private, voluntary and independent providers (4)					
Number of part time funded places filled	184,700	226,100	246,200 (5)	259,700 (5)	268,000 (5)
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	31	39	44	47	48
All maintained, private, voluntary and independent providers					
Number of part time funded places filled	408,300	444,800	461,600	474,000	483,500
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	69	77	82	85	86
Four year olds					
Maintained nursery and primary schools (6)					
Number of part time funded places filled	477,700	472,200	461,100	449,500	442,200
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	80	80	80	80	79
Other maintained providers and private, voluntary and independent providers					
Number of part time funded places filled	106,800 (7)	109,600 (8)	110,000 (9)	104,400 (9)	104,000 (9)
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	18	18	19	19	19
All maintained, private, voluntary and independent providers					
Number of part time funded places filled	584,500	581,800	571,200	553,900	546,200
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	97	98	98	98	98
Three and four year olds					
Maintained nursery and primary schools					
Number of part time funded places filled	701,200	690,900	676,500	663,800	657,700
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	59	59	59	59	59
Other maintained providers and private, voluntary and independent providers					
Number of part time funded places filled	291,500	335,700	356,300	364,200	372,000
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	24	29	31	33	33
All maintained, private, voluntary and independent providers					
Number of part time funded places filled	992,800	1,026,600	1,032,700	1,028,000	1,029,700
Number of part time funded places filled per 100 children in the population	83	88	90	92	92

1. Parents do not necessarily take up their free entitlement, therefore the number of children benefiting from some free early education (tables 1 to 3) can exceed the number of part-time funded places filled (table 4).

2. The number of part-time places filled is derived by counting children taking up five sessions per week as one place, four sessions per week as 0.8, three sessions per week as 0.6, 2 sessions per week as 0.4 places and 1 session per week as 0.2 places. A child taking up a place at a maintained nursery or primary school is counted as one part-time funded place.

3. Headcount of children aged three at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Annual Schools' Census.

4. Part-time equivalent number of children aged three at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise.

5. Part-time equivalent number of children aged three at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Early Years Census exercise and the Annual Schools' Census.

6. Headcount of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Annual Schools' Census.

7. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise.

8. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Early Years Census supplementary data collection exercise and the Annual Schools' Census.

9. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Early Years Census exercise and the Annual Schools' Census.

Table 5: Number of part time funded places (1) filled by three and four year olds, by Local Authority area (2) England

2002 - 2006

Position in January each year

	2002					2003					2004							
	3 year olds		4 year olds		Total	3 year olds		4 year olds		Total	3 year olds		4 year olds		Total			
	mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (4)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (6)		mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (4)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (7)		mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (8)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (9)				
ENGLAND	223,540	184,740	477,705	106,820	584,525	992,805	218,695	226,055	472,160	109,600	581,760	1,026,510	215,315	246,245	461,145	110,015	571,160	1,032,725
NORTH EAST	20,960	5,140	27,615	1,410	29,025	55,130	20,110	4,520	26,965	1,755	28,725	53,355	19,325	5,025	26,225	1,820	28,040	52,390
Darlington	920	285	1,100	105	1,205	2,410	865	350	1,075	125	1,200	2,415	780	370	1,085	120	1,210	2,360
Durham	3,790	940	5,195	295	5,495	10,225	3,515	975	5,095	380	5,475	9,965	3,385	1,025	4,805	400	5,205	9,620
Gateshead	1,305	585	1,960	255	2,215	4,105	1,180	645	1,925	230	2,155	3,985	1,180	670	1,810	240	2,055	3,905
Hartlepool	925	90	1,070	25	1,095	2,110	925	80	1,090	20	1,110	2,120	950	100	1,080	25	1,105	2,150
Middlesbrough	1,570	130	1,790	40	1,830	3,530	1,545	150	1,615	60	1,670	3,365	1,445	175	1,650	45	1,695	3,315
Newcastle upon Tyne	1,690	955	2,665	300	2,965	5,610	1,640	860	2,530	270	2,805	5,300	1,645	805	2,500	295	2,790	5,240
North Tyneside	1,710	285	2,135	95	2,230	4,225	1,620	270	2,130	120	2,250	4,140	1,685	305	1,975	75	2,050	4,040
Northumberland	2,110	655	3,195	0	3,195	5,955	2,000	505	3,200	225	3,425	5,930	1,800	690	3,140	235	3,370	5,860
Redcar and Cleveland	1,520	30	1,600	5	1,605	3,155	1,500	85	1,585	15	1,600	3,190	1,360	90	1,595	25	1,620	3,065
South Tyneside	1,320	110	1,695	40	1,735	3,160	1,310	115	1,580	40	1,620	3,040	1,190	175	1,560	60	1,620	2,985
Stockton-on-Tees	1,670	215	2,125	90	2,215	4,100	1,625	105	2,105	115	2,220	3,955	1,615	220	2,060	140	2,200	4,035
Sunderland	2,430	860	3,095	160	3,245	6,535	2,380	375	3,045	150	3,195	5,950	2,285	400	2,965	160	3,120	5,810
NORTH WEST	38,285	23,620	69,815	10,620	80,435	142,340	36,865	27,220	68,325	11,720	80,040	144,125	36,460	29,455	66,545	11,875	78,420	144,335
Blackburn with Darwen	980	720	1,750	300	2,050	3,750	955	790	1,750	300	2,050	3,790	940	790	1,655	365	2,020	3,750
Blackpool	300	1,055	1,230	390	1,620	2,975	305	1,055	1,145	415	1,560	2,925	375	940	1,110	395	1,510	2,825
Bolton	1,970	1,045	2,980	375	3,360	6,375	1,970	1,085	2,960	420	3,380	6,435	1,910	1,060	2,885	415	3,305	6,275
Bury	1,070	220	1,850	290	2,140	3,435	1,055	400	1,900	350	2,255	3,705	1,005	510	1,870	305	2,175	3,690
Cheshire	2,145	1,360	5,970	1,775	7,745	11,245	2,065	2,880	5,840	1,710	7,550	12,495	1,910	3,945	5,765	1,175	7,540	13,390
Cumbria	2,160	1,170	4,700	650	5,350	8,680	2,040	1,190	4,540	700	5,240	8,470	2,540	1,915	4,325	755	5,080	9,540
Halton	600	745	1,160	235	1,395	2,745	515	720	1,200	305	1,505	2,740	500	715	1,115	285	1,400	2,620
Knowsley	1,800	155	1,950	45	2,000	3,960	1,640	160	1,930	80	2,010	3,810	1,790	150	1,765	50	1,815	3,760
Lancashire	4,115	5,270	10,495	2,470	12,965	22,350	3,925	6,200	10,170	2,530	12,700	22,825	3,800	6,700	10,055	2,550	12,605	23,105
Liverpool	3,475	1,375	4,695	485	5,180	10,030	3,225	1,325	4,615	585	5,200	9,755	3,145	1,380	4,320	525	4,845	9,370
Manchester	3,785	775	5,045	225	5,270	9,830	3,725	915	4,965	255	5,220	9,860	3,685	880	4,845	285	5,130	9,695
Oldham	1,455	1,040	2,835	295	3,130	5,625	1,505	1,120	2,705	285	2,990	5,615	1,430	1,035	2,820	305	3,125	5,590
Rochdale	1,285	1,175	2,410	270	2,680	5,145	1,280	1,010	2,405	280	2,685	4,975	1,175	960	2,270	290	2,560	4,700
Salford	1,740	405	2,575	405	2,980	5,130	1,510	520	2,495	285	2,780	4,810	1,425	640	2,335	250	2,585	4,655
Sefton	1,820	945	2,885	350	3,235	5,995	1,720	965	2,665	390	3,055	5,740	1,755	965	2,505	395	2,900	5,620
St Helens	1,030	735	1,870	225	2,095	3,860	980	730	1,885	285	2,170	3,875	930	750	1,840	210	2,050	3,730
Stockport	1,685	225	2,870	465	3,330	5,240	1,635	670	2,810	450	3,260	5,565	1,620	755	2,755	495	3,245	5,625
Tameside	1,570	565	2,430	180	2,615	4,750	1,560	615	2,385	205	2,590	4,770	1,475	565	2,390	190	2,580	4,620
Trafford	1,460	275	2,285	330	2,615	4,350	1,555	290	2,280	340	2,620	4,470	1,380	365	2,350	340	2,690	4,435
Warrington	915	1,190	1,905	395	2,300	4,400	880	1,235	1,925	400	2,325	4,440	860	1,160	1,915	425	2,340	4,360
Wigan	1,415	1,510	2,930	465	3,395	6,320	1,420	1,540	2,855	535	3,390	6,355	1,425	1,590	2,865	545	3,410	6,425
Wirral	1,510	1,655	2,995	0	2,995	6,160	1,385	1,795	2,895	620	3,510	6,695	1,380	1,685	2,780	725	3,505	6,565
YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER	31,660	17,290	52,690	7,195	59,890	108,840	30,630	18,825	51,970	7,650	59,620	109,075	29,955	19,450	50,560	7,360	57,915	107,320
Barnsley	1,480	535	2,340	235	2,575	4,590	1,440	640	2,320	230	2,550	4,630	1,440	645	2,130	315	2,445	4,530
Bradford	4,495	1,475	5,995	435	6,430	12,400	4,620	1,440	6,080	550	6,630	12,690	4,620	1,445	6,200	520	6,720	12,785
Calderdale	1,085	920	2,250	295	2,545	4,550	1,075	1,020	2,155	300	2,460	4,555	975	1,055	2,205	380	2,585	4,615
Doncaster	2,180	275	3,475	30	3,510	5,965	2,055	545	3,365	160	3,525	6,125	2,150	590	3,150	170	3,320	6,060
East Riding of Yorkshire	1,105	135	2,760	730	3,485	4,730	1,050	1,200	2,685	900	3,590	5,835	1,005	1,205	2,605	825	3,430	5,640
Kingston Upon Hull, City of	1,950	650	2,710	275	2,985	5,585	1,810	755	2,645	295	2,940	5,505	1,720	735	2,485	280	2,760	5,215
Kirkcaldy	2,365	1,755	4,460	460	4,920	9,040	1,985	1,720	4,530	725	5,255	8,960	2,095	1,815	4,325	525	4,850	8,760
Leeds	5,395	2,015	7,390	795	8,185	15,595	5,225	2,010	7,275	870	8,145	15,380	4,900	2,055	7,130	870	8,000	14,955
North East Lincolnshire	940	620	1,710	230	1,945	3,505	985	690	1,645	235	1,880	3,555	875	730	1,690	235	1,925	3,530
North Lincolnshire	665	760	1,550	200	1,745	3,170	570	700	1,575	220	1,790	3,065	690	825	1,425	220	1,645	3,160
North Yorkshire	1,695	3,320	4,990	1,255	6,245	11,260	1,635	3,165	4,870	1,325	6,195	10,995	1,670	3,400	4,665	1,245	5,910	10,980
Rotherham	1,770	880	2,960	165	3,130	5,780	1,750	900	2,885	210	3,095	5,740	1,680	860	2,860	200	3,060	5,600
Sheffield	3,290	2,270	5,010	830	5,835	11,400	3,200	2,280	4,970	920	5,895	11,375	2,950	2,405	4,735	915	5,650	11,005
Wakefield	2,555	730	3,555	875	4,430	7,715	2,590	780	3,450	325	3,775	7,145	2,525	775	3,450	325	3,775	7,070
York	690	950	1,530	385	1,920	3,555	635	980	1,525	380	1,905	3,520	665	905	1,500	340	1,840	3,405
EAST MIDLANDS	18,925	13,185	39,985	8,665	48,650	80,760	18,300	17,880	39,920	8,535	48,460	84,640	17,740	22,225	38,900	9,160	48,060	88,020
Derby	1,875	935	2,550	345	2,895	5,710	1,845	935	2,570	360	2,925	5,705	1,815	1,010	2,585	355	2,940	5,765
Derbyshire	3,995	3,365	7,010	1,245	8,260	15,620	3,740	3,530	7,105	1,100	8,							

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England

2002 - 2006

Position in January each year

2005					2006					Total	<i>mtd denotes maintained</i>	
3 year olds		4 year olds		Total	3 year olds		4 year olds		Total			
mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (8)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (9)		total 4 year olds	mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (8)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)				other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (9)
214,295	259,750	449,505	104,420	553,925	1,027,970	215,515	267,955	442,205	104,035	546,235	1,029,705	ENGLAND
19,215	5,205	25,075	1,755	26,830	51,250	19,345	5,335	24,490	1,720	26,205	50,890	NORTH EAST
705	350	970	150	1,125	2,175	740	365	945	120	1,065	2,170	Darlington
3,325	1,025	4,575	355	4,930	9,285	3,450	1,165	4,465	325	4,790	9,400	Durham
1,175	690	1,765	290	2,055	3,920	1,160	680	1,730	275	2,005	3,840	Gateshead
955	90	1,045	25	1,070	2,115	940	100	1,010	25	1,040	2,080	Hartlepool
1,445	170	1,630	45	1,670	3,285	1,510	185	1,545	50	1,595	3,285	Middlesbrough
1,585	820	2,475	270	2,745	5,150	1,600	830	2,385	275	2,660	5,090	Newcastle-upon-Tyne
1,580	285	2,020	80	2,100	3,970	1,640	300	1,885	100	1,985	3,925	North Tyneside
1,920	960	2,880	205	3,085	5,965	1,780	995	2,965	250	3,215	5,985	Northumberland
1,435	1,480	25	1,480	25	1,505	1,335	55	1,515	15	1,525	2,915	Redcar & Cleveland
1,155	65	1,465	40	1,495	2,800	1,165	115	1,395	50	1,440	2,725	South Tyneside
1,645	225	1,950	115	2,065	3,935	1,690	190	1,940	100	2,040	3,920	Stockton-on-Tees
2,290	375	2,630	150	2,985	5,645	2,330	365	2,710	140	2,850	5,545	Sunderland
35,565	30,760	64,910	11,325	76,235	142,560	35,100	31,905	63,090	11,575	74,665	141,670	NORTH WEST
930	630	1,695	240	1,940	3,500	960	810	1,660	335	1,995	3,765	Blackburn with Darwen
380	900	1,180	355	1,540	2,820	395	880	1,100	320	1,420	2,695	Blackpool
1,920	1,090	2,770	435	3,205	6,220	1,920	1,125	2,860	440	3,300	6,350	Bolton
1,080	680	1,745	290	2,035	3,795	1,060	815	1,755	315	2,065	3,945	Bury
1,805	4,350	5,435	1,700	7,140	13,290	1,700	4,540	5,285	1,825	7,105	13,350	Cheshire
2,560	1,885	4,250	680	4,930	9,375	2,360	1,940	4,170	670	4,840	9,145	Cumbria
455	770	1,080	275	1,355	2,585	415	810	1,080	295	1,375	2,600	Halton
1,575	160	1,875	45	1,925	3,660	1,535	235	1,660	95	1,755	3,525	Knowsley
3,660	6,585	9,605	2,490	12,095	22,340	3,545	6,805	9,555	2,540	12,095	22,450	Lancashire
3,015	1,340	4,305	510	4,815	9,170	2,945	1,420	4,035	490	4,525	8,895	Liverpool
3,685	945	4,855	280	5,130	9,760	3,920	985	4,735	285	5,020	9,925	Manchester
1,515	1,055	2,710	270	2,980	5,550	1,510	1,050	2,780	275	3,050	5,610	Oldham
1,145	1,010	2,280	285	2,570	4,725	1,090	1,065	2,120	300	2,415	4,575	Rochdale
1,410	780	2,305	260	2,565	4,755	1,430	755	2,250	280	2,535	4,720	Salford
1,610	950	2,500	390	2,890	5,445	1,610	930	2,415	375	2,785	5,325	Sefton
850	785	1,730	250	1,980	3,615	870	740	1,635	220	1,850	3,460	St Helens
1,490	1,065	2,680	455	3,115	5,670	1,545	1,055	2,490	445	2,935	5,540	Stockport
1,510	650	2,265	190	2,455	4,615	1,400	710	2,245	180	2,425	4,530	Tameside
1,475	720	2,185	255	2,440	4,640	1,470	750	2,155	250	2,410	4,630	Trafford
820	1,140	1,830	405	2,235	4,195	810	1,170	1,760	415	2,175	4,155	Warrington
1,360	1,450	2,850	545	3,395	6,205	1,260	1,565	2,640	510	3,150	5,975	Wigan
1,315	1,810	2,790	710	3,505	6,630	1,335	1,740	2,710	720	3,425	6,505	Wirral
30,080	19,895	48,540	7,005	55,545	105,525	29,925	20,445	48,345	7,270	55,615	105,985	YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER
1,545	625	2,165	220	2,390	4,555	1,605	640	2,080	190	2,270	4,520	Barnsley
4,690	1,530	6,130	500	6,630	12,850	4,685	1,490	6,210	510	6,720	12,895	Bradford
920	1,105	2,015	345	2,360	4,385	880	1,180	2,035	360	2,395	4,450	Calderdale
2,200	635	3,015	155	3,170	6,010	2,125	675	3,075	185	3,265	6,065	Doncaster
1,005	1,540	2,440	705	3,145	5,690	960	1,785	2,450	740	3,190	5,935	East Riding of Yorkshire
1,690	810	2,405	265	2,670	5,165	1,650	795	2,405	270	2,675	5,115	Kingston Upon Hull, City of
2,115	1,915	4,075	570	4,645	8,675	2,215	1,970	4,240	575	4,815	9,000	Kirklees
4,880	2,235	6,740	825	7,565	14,680	4,810	2,350	6,715	950	7,665	14,830	Leeds
900	645	1,520	220	1,740	3,285	920	650	1,450	300	1,750	3,325	North East Lincolnshire
680	800	1,550	235	1,785	3,265	765	715	1,555	175	1,730	3,210	North Lincolnshire
1,705	3,145	4,485	1,195	5,680	10,530	1,805	3,345	4,405	1,210	5,615	10,760	North Yorkshire
1,570	910	2,710	215	2,925	5,400	1,580	860	2,590	230	2,825	5,260	Rotherham
2,945	2,365	4,665	895	5,560	10,870	2,780	2,260	4,550	875	5,425	10,465	Sheffield
2,540	695	3,270	290	3,560	6,795	2,510	680	3,145	275	3,425	6,615	Wakefield
700	945	1,350	375	1,725	3,375	630	1,045	1,430	425	1,855	3,530	York
17,090	22,470	37,660	9,055	46,715	86,270	16,965	23,255	36,485	8,815	45,305	85,520	EAST MIDLANDS
1,755	975	2,490	340	2,830	5,560	1,760	980	2,470	335	2,805	5,540	Derby
3,505	3,230	6,445	1,235	7,680	14,415	3,440	3,515	6,265	1,185	7,450	14,410	Derbyshire
1,795	1,330	3,390	410	3,795	6,920	1,885	1,425	3,285	445	3,725	7,035	Leicester City
90	4,980	4,720	1,875	6,595	11,665	75	5,040	4,505	1,825	6,335	11,450	Leicestershire
1,590	3,995	5,305	1,465	6,770	12,355	1,550	3,605	5,090	1,395	6,485	12,000	Lincolnshire
2,140	4,075	6,110	1,720	7,830	14,040	2,010	4,315	5,830	1,685	7,510	13,835	Northamptonshire
2,230	735	2,685	415	3,100	6,065	2,215	740	2,680	390	3,075	6,030	Nottingham
3,920	2,905	6,275	1,465	7,740	14,565	3,970	3,000	6,140	1,440	7,580	14,545	Nottinghamshire
60	245	245	125	370	680	60	275	230	115	340	675	Rutland
28,345	23,735	53,155	8,425	61,580	113,660	28,445	24,920	51,830	8,855	60,685	114,050	WEST MIDLANDS
6,625	4,170	11,905	1,550	13,455	24,250	6,610	4,530	11,830	1,650	13,480	24,620	Birmingham
1,730	1,295	3,040	430	3,470	6,495	1,720	1,365	3,060	405	3,465	6,545	Coventry
1,960	1,155	3,045	450	3,495	6,610	1,925	1,295	2,955	440	3,395	6,620	Dudley
315	1,135	1,235	415	1,645	3,095	295	1,135	1,215	465	1,680	3,105	Herefordshire
2,775	375	3,525	120	3,645	6,790	2,735	460	3,405	120	3,525	6,725	Sandwell
700	1,815	2,185	670	2,855	5,365	815	1,890	2,075	680	2,750	5,455	Shropshire
1,405	575	2,255	130	2,385	4,360	1,295	575	2,270	130	2,400	4,275	Solihull
2,620	4,090	7,475	955	8,430	15,135	2,655	4,225	6,980	1,420	8,400	15,280	Staffordshire
1,545	605	2,605	80	2,685	4,835	1,645	715	2,470	90	2,560	4,915	Stoke-on-Trent
910	900	1,555	370	1,920	3,730	925	955	1,575	325	1,900	3,780	Telford and Wrekin
2,620	245	3,190	105	3,295	6,160	2,660	260	3,080	85	3,165	6,085	Walsall
1,405	3,385	4,240	1,485	5,725	10,515	1,340	3,530	4,090	1,425	5,515	10,385	Warwickshire
2,380	320	2,615	140	2,755	5,455	2,390	295	2,590	150	2,740	5,425	Wolverhampton
1,360	3,675	4,300	1,525	5,825	10,855	1,435	3,690	4,235	1,475	5,710	10,835	Worcestershire
15,930	34,640	47,940	12,975	60,915	111,490	16,055	35,435	47,315	12,845	60,160	111,650	EAST OF ENGLAND
1,160	2,665	3,950	715	4,665	8,485	1,185	2,735	3,870	695	4,565	8,480	Bedfordshire
980	3,970	4,395	1,345	5,740	10,685	1,065	4,020	4,470	1,545	6,015	11,100	Cambridgeshire
1,930	9,990	9,925	4,495	14,420	26,340	1,970	9,930	9,945	4,175	14,120	26,020	Essex
6,475	4,750	11,240	1,505	12,745	23,965	6,225	4,530	11,230	1,400	12,630	23,385	Hertfordshire

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mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (8)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (9)	total 4 year olds	mtd nursery and primary schools (3)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (8)	mtd nursery and primary schools (5)	other mtd and private, voluntary and independent (9)	total 4 year olds			
46,555	30,110	73,560	13,010	86,570	163,235	47,700	32,280	73,465	13,380	86,845	166,825	LONDON
20,810	10,335	28,215	6,410	33,130	64,275	21,020	11,760	27,975	5,325	33,300	66,080	INNER LONDON#
875	965	1,390	640	2,035	3,870	865	1,160	1,415	630	2,045	4,065	Camden
1,525	1,035	2,205	480	2,685	5,250	1,620	1,080	2,170	625	2,795	5,495	Hackney
1,110	710	1,215	370	1,585	3,410	1,135	745	1,185	395	1,580	3,460	Hammersmith and Fulham
1,825	715	2,745	280	3,020	5,565	1,815	785	2,665	240	2,905	5,505	Haringey
1,135	885	1,725	295	2,020	4,045	1,030	1,005	1,765	355	2,120	4,160	Islington
615	550	900	265	1,165	2,330	645	570	845	325	1,170	2,380	Kensington and Chelsea
1,835	900	2,430	405	2,835	5,570	1,980	1,150	2,490	580	3,070	6,200	Lambeth
1,710	805	2,595	295	2,890	5,405	1,825	1,005	2,515	310	2,825	5,650	Lewisham
3,305	485	3,865	130	4,000	7,790	3,250	530	3,685	135	3,820	7,600	Newham
2,080	860	2,780	330	3,110	6,050	2,045	1,030	2,740	395	3,135	6,210	Southwark
2,275	420	2,795	120	2,905	5,600	2,260	475	2,925	130	3,055	5,790	Tower Hamlets
1,515	1,300	2,150	870	3,020	5,840	1,555	1,465	2,205	845	3,050	6,070	Wandsworth
885	670	1,390	425	1,810	3,465	885	715	1,355	345	1,700	3,400	Westminster
25,745	19,775	45,345	8,095	53,440	98,960	26,675	20,520	45,490	8,060	53,550	100,745	OUTER LONDON
1,405	365	2,180	80	2,260	4,030	1,395	460	2,305	65	2,370	4,225	Barking and Dagenham
1,810	1,485	3,000	660	3,660	6,960	1,970	1,435	2,980	670	3,650	7,055	Barnet
1,135	1,025	2,270	325	2,595	4,755	1,090	1,025	2,290	315	2,605	4,720	Bexley
1,585	980	2,800	400	3,200	5,770	1,665	980	2,795	345	3,140	5,785	Brent
260	2,300	2,310	1,110	3,420	5,985	285	2,490	2,250	1,085	3,335	6,110	Bromley
1,785	1,545	3,500	690	4,190	7,520	1,680	1,740	3,240	770	4,015	7,435	Croydon
2,525	860	3,195	380	3,575	6,960	2,430	3,285	410	3,695	7,115	Ealing	
1,375	1,395	3,075	490	3,565	6,330	1,345	1,480	3,040	525	3,565	6,395	Enfield
1,780	900	2,500	450	2,950	6,535	2,100	840	2,535	400	2,935	5,875	Greenwich
635	1,040	1,935	350	2,285	3,960	730	1,025	1,880	380	2,260	4,425	Harrow
660	1,395	1,980	495	2,455	4,415	560	1,405	1,940	520	2,460	4,425	Havering
2,135	820	2,885	325	3,210	6,165	2,110	810	2,860	335	3,195	6,115	Hillingdon
1,400	570	2,215	165	2,380	4,355	1,450	680	2,295	150	2,445	4,575	Hounslow
910	515	1,330	230	1,560	2,990	865	570	1,360	250	1,610	3,050	Kingston-upon-Thames
1,705	485	1,795	240	2,035	4,225	1,675	445	1,860	280	2,140	4,255	Merton
1,610	1,020	2,800	400	3,200	5,825	1,680	1,150	2,835	385	3,215	6,045	Redbridge
540	1,250	1,480	625	2,105	3,895	585	1,345	1,440	640	2,080	4,005	Richmond-upon-Thames
1,035	725	1,710	250	1,955	3,715	1,015	735	1,685	240	1,925	3,675	Sutton
1,555	1,100	2,410	420	2,830	5,480	2,045	920	2,615	290	2,905	5,665	Waltham Forest
13,765	59,495	62,070	27,130	89,200	162,460	14,230	59,645	61,395	25,880	87,270	161,145	SOUTH EAST
195	865	825	480	1,305	2,365	260	785	825	425	1,250	2,295	Bracknell Forest
730	1,505	1,800	710	2,505	4,745	695	1,580	1,815	650	2,465	4,745	Brighton and Hove
915	3,660	4,280	1,465	5,745	10,315	920	3,770	4,220	1,480	5,700	10,395	Buckinghamshire
465	3,420	3,320	1,475	4,795	8,680	435	3,380	3,280	1,390	4,670	8,480	East Sussex
600	10,055	8,975	4,380	13,355	24,010	550	10,155	8,960	4,125	13,085	23,785	Hampshire
90	1,015	930	380	1,310	2,415	100	885	850	235	1,085	2,070	Isle of Wight
1,490	11,090	10,480	4,635	15,120	27,695	1,830	10,585	10,445	4,475	14,920	27,330	Kent
360	2,195	2,130	860	2,990	5,550	475	2,225	2,095	855	2,950	5,650	Medway
635	1,690	2,060	735	2,795	5,120	655	1,715	2,110	660	2,770	5,145	Milton Keynes
1,530	4,320	4,980	2,100	7,080	12,930	1,495	4,430	5,000	1,715	6,720	12,645	Oxfordshire
420	1,340	1,450	520	1,975	3,730	410	1,420	1,360	565	1,920	3,750	Portsmouth
800	710	1,145	415	1,560	3,075	845	715	1,100	415	1,510	3,075	Reading
1,190	255	1,420	115	1,535	2,980	1,255	245	1,465	100	1,560	3,060	Slough
390	1,655	1,640	600	2,240	4,285	335	1,605	1,565	610	2,175	4,115	Southampton
2,240	7,110	8,150	3,915	12,065	21,420	2,280	7,395	8,075	3,850	11,920	21,595	Surrey
300	925	1,295	400	1,695	2,915	310	1,020	1,215	350	1,565	2,900	West Berkshire
780	5,670	5,470	2,450	7,920	14,370	730	5,635	5,305	2,490	7,800	14,165	West Sussex
305	1,020	785	760	1,550	2,875	310	1,015	775	745	1,520	2,845	Windsor and Maidenhead
325	1,000	925	730	1,655	2,980	330	1,080	935	745	1,680	3,095	Wokingham
7,755	33,430	36,600	13,740	50,340	91,525	7,755	34,730	35,790	13,690	49,480	91,970	SOUTH WEST
210	1,125	1,190	495	1,685	3,025	255	1,230	1,155	515	1,675	3,160	Bath and North East Somerset
210	1,060	1,010	435	1,445	2,710	200	1,090	950	465	1,415	2,705	Bournemouth
2,335	1,585	3,480	635	4,115	8,035	2,025	1,735	3,545	645	4,190	7,950	Bristol, City of
995	2,990	3,685	1,100	4,785	8,770	1,030	3,235	3,715	1,100	4,820	9,085	Comwall
1,135	4,350	4,925	1,825	6,750	12,235	1,265	4,205	4,970	1,705	6,675	12,150	Devon
150	2,805	2,490	1,140	3,630	6,590	195	2,785	2,450	1,160	3,610	6,590	Dorset
40	4,760	3,980	2,140	6,120	10,925	35	4,805	3,780	2,095	5,875	10,715	Gloucestershire
210	1,355	1,395	530	1,925	3,485	215	1,475	1,400	575	1,975	3,665	North Somerset
665	1,580	1,875	625	2,495	4,740	685	1,640	1,830	630	2,460	4,790	Plymouth
100	765	885	300	1,185	2,055	110	825	855	310	1,160	2,095	Poole
390	3,580	3,660	1,450	5,110	9,085	400	3,770	3,455	1,460	4,915	9,085	Somerset
265	1,845	2,145	760	2,905	5,015	255	1,990	1,945	755	2,700	4,945	South Gloucestershire
415	1,370	1,625	495	2,115	3,900	365	1,375	1,680	490	2,170	3,910	Swindon
430	605	1,015	215	1,230	2,265	460	650	895	225	1,115	2,225	Torbay
205	3,655	3,245	1,600	4,845	8,705	255	3,920	3,175	1,550	4,725	8,900	Wiltshire

1. A place is equal to five or more sessions and can be filled by more than one child.

2. Figures are rounded to the nearest 5.

3. Headcount of children aged three at 31st December in the previous calendar year from the Annual Schools' Census.

4. Part-time equivalent number of children aged three at 31st December in the previous calendar year from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise. Nursery Education Grant for three year olds was allocated to the 65 Local Authorities in 1999-2000 and all LAs from 2000-2001.

5. Headcount of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Annual Schools' Census.

6. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Nursery Education Grant data collection exercise.

7. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Early Years Census supplementary data collection exercise and the Annual Schools' Census.

8. Part-time equivalent number of children aged three from the Early Years Census exercise and the Annual Schools' Census.

9. Part-time equivalent number of children aged four at 31 December in the previous calendar year from the Early Years Census and the Annual Schools' Census.

Includes City of London