



Reference: RFI 1802007

Request:

Please note that the information provided is for Local Authority child care provision. Some of the child care delivered from the Sure Start children’s centres during this period was commissioned from external partners.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the number of designated statutory children's centres in the current financial year and every year since, and including, 2009/10.

Year	Number of childcare nurseries
2009/10	6
2010/11	6
2011/12	6
2012/13	6
2013/14	6
2014/15	6
2015/16	6
2016/17	4
2017/18	1

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the number of local authority employees working in Sure Start and children’s centres in the current financial year and every year since, and including, 2009/10.

Information is not available for earlier years due to the change to the HR system

Year	Number of LA childcare employees
2009/10	Data not available
2010/11	Data not available
2011/12	Data not available
2012/13	141
2013/14	148
2014/15	140
2015/16	114
2016/17	38
2017/18	9

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the total expenditure by your local authority on children’s centres and Sure Start, in the current financial year and every year since, and including, 2009/10.

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The table below shows the net expenditure for North Tyneside Council childcare provision delivered from within Sure Start Children's Centres.

Year	Net Expenditure
2009/10	£3.316m
2010/11	£1.808m
2011/12	£1.350m
2012/13	£1.784m
2013/14	£1.935m
2014/15	£1.378m
2015/16	£1.486m
2016/17	£1.458m
2017/18 (to Feb '18)	£0.415m

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, in relation to children's services and Sure Starts, please provide the total number of children and parents who have used your children centres and Sure Starts, in the current financial year and every year since, and including, 2009/10.

Clarification received from applicant:

For our Freedom of Information request, please could you provide us with information on all childcare provision.

To provide this information would require manually checking 9 years of paper registers. Therefore this part of the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been taken into account. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.