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Request:

Does your council, either in house or through a commissioned partner, operate a management system recording the total number of children and parents using children's centres within your local authority boundaries?

Yes

How many children used children's centres in your local authority in the each of the following financial years:

2014/15 - under 18, 5783, age not provided 3549;
2015/16 - under 18, 5608, age not provided 2817;
2016/17 - under 18, 4730, age not provided 1307;
2017/18 - under 18, 1221, age not provided 7390.

By 'use' we mean received any specified service or participated in at least one class or session delivered by the children's centre on site or at an alternative site operated by the children's centre.

The total for each financial year should only count a child once even if they used a children's centres on multiple occasions within a single financial year.

By child we mean any person aged 18 and under.

How many of these children in each year were aged 5 or under?

2014/15 - age 5 and under, 4795, age not provided 3549;
2015/16 - age 5 and under, 4135, age not provided 2817;
2016/17 - age 5 and under, 3491, age not provided 1307;
2017/18 - age 5 and under, 936, age not provided 7390.

How many parents/carers used children's centres in your local authority in the each of the following financial years:

2014/15 - age 19+, 5140, age not provided 3549;
2015/16 - age 19+, 5132, age not provided 2817;
2016/17 - age 19+, 5080, age not provided 1307;
2017/18 - age 19+, 1490, age not provided 7390;

Data available shows only that users were over 18 and not whether they were a parent/carer or not.

By 'use' we mean received any specified service, received information or participated in at least one class or session delivered by the children's centre on site or at an alternative site operated by the children's centre.

The total for each financial year should only count a parent/carer once even if they used a children's centres on multiple occasions within a single financial year.

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