



Reference: FOI0249

Request:

For each of the academic years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 to date, broken down by year, please provide the following SEND information:

1. How many requests for SEND needs assessments were received in each year from: o Parents/carers/young people o Schools o Initiated by the LA without a request from parents/carers/schools
2. How many of these requests resulted in an assessment of need being carried out, and how many were refused, for o Requests from parents/carers/young people o Requests from schools o Requests initiated by the LA without a request from parents/carers/schools
3. How many of the needs assessments resulted in an agreement to issue an EHCP for o Requests from parents/carers/young people o Requests from schools o Requests initiated by the LA without a request from parents/carers/schools
4. How many applications for an EHCP were either rejected or finalised within the statutory 20 week period? How many took longer than 20 weeks?
5. What was the mean and median time between an EHCP assessment first being requested, and the EHCP being finalised? (To be clear, please include all EHCPs which were finalised in the given academic year, even if they were first applied for in the previous academic year. For this particular question, I am only interested in EHCPs which were finalised – not applications which were rejected and never successfully appealed).
6. Across the entire period 1. September 2014 until the present date, what was the longest an individual applicant had to wait between first requesting an EHCP assessment and having an EHCP finalised?
7. At the start of each of the last five school years, including 2018-19, how many pupils going through the EHCP application process (including appeals) were • ...on a roll at a school but not attending? • ...not on a roll at any school? • ...on a part-time timetable?

Response:

The responses to the first 3 questions are based on the codes we record which are School, Parent and Other

The Code of Practice for Official Statistics requires that reasonable steps should be taken to ensure that all published or disseminated statistics protect confidentiality. To do this totals are rounded and small numbers are suppressed. "x" - numbers less than or equal to 5 are suppressed to protect confidentiality.

1.

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	Parents	Schools	Other
2014/15	15	160	X
2015/16	22	155	7
2016/17	30	141	6
2017/18	33	161	X
2018/19	X	24	0

2.

#refused/rejected	Parents	Schools	Other
2014/15	11	60	X
2015/16	20	49	X
2016/17	17	42	X
2017/18	16	14	X
2018/19	X	X	n/a

The others therefore would have continued through the process

3.

	Parents	Schools	Other
2014/15	X	99	X
2015/16	X	98	X
2016/17	12	94	6
2017/18	10	88	X
2018/19	X	X	n/a

4.

Received in	Rejected	Within 20 weeks	Over 20 weeks
2014/15	In 2 nd table - above	17	89
2015/16		81	21
2016/17		77	35
2017/18		72	28
2018/19		n/a	n/a

5.

(Time in weeks)

Based on those finalised in each academic year

14/15 mean=32.4 median=29

15/16 mean=24.2 median=19.9

16/17 mean=20.6 median=18.1

17/18 mean=20.4 median=19.3

18/19 mean=21.6 median=19.9

6. Of those referred since 1/9/2014 (and finalised) 102.86 weeks

7. This would require a manual check of all young people's files on record. 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.

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