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## **Outcome Indicators for Looked - after Children**

**Twelve Months to 30 September 2002**

**England**

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# SUMMARY

The main findings are as follows:

1. At 30 September 2002 there were 44,100 children looked after by English local authorities who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months. This compares to 43,400 at 30 September 2001.
2. 34,500 of these children were of school age and of these 27% had SEN statements, 12% missed at least 25 days of school, and 1.2% received a permanent exclusion.
3. On average 50% of those looked after children in the appropriate age group achieved level 2 at Key Stage 1, 40% level 4 at Key Stage 2 and 22% level 5 at Key Stage 3. The comparable percentages for all children were 85%, 78% and 66% respectively.
4. The proportion of children continuously looked after for at least 12 months aged 11 and obtaining KS2 English and Maths was 46% of the proportion of all children.
5. In school year 11, 53% of looked after children obtained at least one GCSE or GNVQ compared with 95% of all school children. 42% did not sit an examination of this type.
6. 8% obtained at least 5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grades A\*- C compared with 50% of all children. 13% of councils had at least 15% of their children achieving this level.
7. At the end of school year 11, 56% remained in full-time education compared to 72% of all school-leavers. 24% were unemployed the September after leaving school compared to 6% of all school-leavers.
8. 10% of these looked after children aged 10 or over, were cautioned or convicted for an offence during the year, three times the rate for all children of this age.
9. For 73% of these looked after children immunisations were up to date, 72% had a dental check, and 71% had an annual health assessment.



# COMMENTARY

## 1. Introduction

### The OC2 statistical collection

- 1.1 In September 1999 the Government established 11 objectives for children's social services in England. One of these is 'to ensure that children looked after gain the maximum life chance benefits from educational opportunities, health care and social care'.
- 1.2 In order to collect the data needed to monitor progress towards this objective the Department of Health introduced three new statistical collections. One of these (OC2) covers a range of outcome indicators for looked-after children in England. This publication presents the results of this collection for the twelve months ending 30 September 2002. The figures presented include the Personal Social Services Performance Assessment Framework (PAF) indicators C18, C19 and C24.
- 1.3 The relationship between the OC2 and the other two new collections is discussed in Appendix A.

### Data Quality

- 1.4 This is the third time that the Department of Health has asked social services departments to supply this information. Data quality and response rates have again improved on last year and are significantly better than in the first year of the collection, when many councils experienced difficulties in obtaining the required information. The Technical Notes section at the

back of this publication discusses data quality.

- 1.5 In some councils the number of looked-after children in some of the categories on the OC2 return is relatively small; caution is required when considering these figures as they are more susceptible to chance variation than figures based on larger numbers of children.

### Rounding and suppression of very small numbers to preserve confidentiality

- 1.6 We have again applied rounding and suppression conventions to all data in this publication, in order to conceal very small numbers. This is to prevent the possibility of individual children being identified in the statistical tables. The conventions used are now applied to all Department of Health personal social services statistics publications, and closely follow the established guidelines which the Department uses to protect the identity of patients in hospital statistics.
- 1.7 A result of applying this procedure is that columns of data at individual councils level which largely consist of very small numbers, now contain many dashes (-) to replace actual numbers in the range 1-5.

### Coverage of OC2

- 1.8 The OC2 is one of three 'Outcome Indicator' statistical collections. The other two are OC1 ('Educational Qualifications of Care Leavers') and OC3 ('Care Leavers on their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday'). The three returns and the

respective cohorts on which they report are discussed in more detail in Appendix A at the back of this publication.

- 1.9 The OC2 collection covers all children and young people in England who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months at 30 September. These figures exclude children looked after under an agreed series of short-term placements (sometimes called 'Family Link Placements', 'Short Breaks' or 'respite care') during that period. These figures include asylum-seeking children.
- 1.10 From the overall group of children who had been looked after for at least twelve months at 30 September, smaller subsets are defined by the scope of some of the data items. These subsets are listed in Table 1.1 in the Technical Notes section at the back of this publication.
- 1.11 Where a child has 'slipped' a year or more (e.g. is taking key stage tests or GCSEs later than expected from their date of birth) their results are not included.

## **Duration in Care**

- 1.12 Figures collected separately on the SSDA 903 statistical return (which represents care histories of individual looked-after children) show that the average duration for which a child is looked after continues to increase over time, and the figures from the three successive OC2 returns appear to support this trend.
- 1.13 The 2002 OC2 collection shows that 44,100 children had been continuously looked after for at least twelve months at 30 September 2002, compared to 43,400 at 30 September 2001. This represented approximately 75% of all children who were looked after on 30 September.
- 1.14 The figure of 44,100 from the OC2 returns closely approximates an estimate for children at 31 March 2002 who had been looked after for twelve months or more which can be derived from SSDA 903 and CLA 100 returns.

## 2. Comparability of figures from OC2 with figures for all children

2.1 Several tables include comparative figures for all children in England alongside data collected from OC2. The figures for ‘all children’ are collected on various slightly different bases, which are explained below. Figure 2.2 at the end of this section summarises the differences.

### Comparability of educational results (Tables A, B, C, 1,2,3,4,5)

2.2 The figures for educational attainment in Tables A, B, C, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 are provided by DfES and are collated according to the Local Educational Authority (LEA) to which each school belongs. Although LEAs have the same boundaries as social services departments, many looked-after children are placed out-of-council (Figure 2.1). This is particularly the case in the Greater London area, where typically more than 40% of children who have been looked after for 12 months or more are placed out-of-council and may well attend a school belonging to a different LEA to the council which is looking after them. Caution must therefore be used when comparing educational data collected on OC2, with that for all children collected by DfES.

2.3 Figure 2.1 is derived from the SSDA 903 statistical collection and is derived from foster and residential placement data relating to children who had been looked after for at least twelve months on 31 March 2002. It is derived from SSDA 903 placement codes F1-F6 and H1-H4, which distinguish foster and residential placements inside or outside the council area<sup>1</sup>. As there are

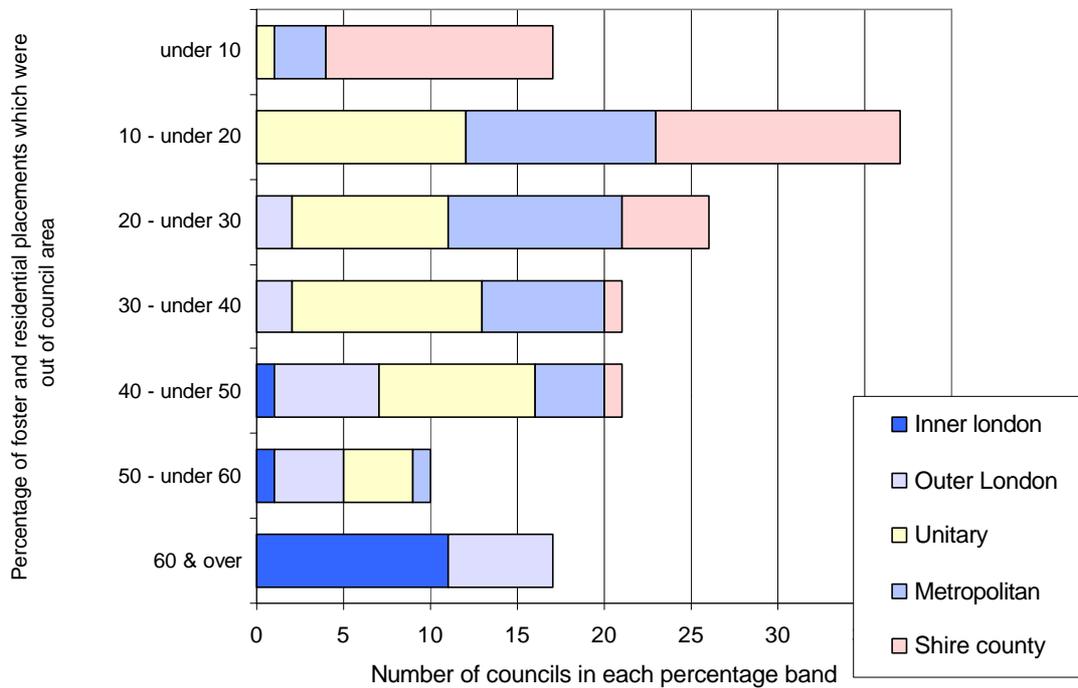
further placement types for which the distinction between in and out of council is not made, these data should be regarded as probably slightly under-estimating the frequency of out-of-council placements. As it is known that there is little seasonal variation in this dataset, this can be taken as a reasonable proxy for the position at 30 September.

2.4 There are a number of reasons why a child can be placed outside the council’s boundary. Many councils, particularly new unitary authorities, cover relatively small geographical areas and if a wide range of placement options is to be available it is inevitable that some of these will be located outside the council’s boundary. The inclusion of Figure 2.1 here is not intended as a comment on any council’s placing policy, but to help the reader assess the usefulness of the comparator data for all children provided by DfES which are collected from LEAs, rather than social services departments.

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<sup>1</sup> SSDA 903 Guidance notes are available at: [www.doh.gov.uk/stats/forms.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/stats/forms.htm)

**Figure 2.1: Children who had been looked after for at least twelve months on 31 March 2002: Number of councils banded according to proportion of foster and residential placements which were known to be out-of-area**



- 2.5 The DfES data are for all children in mainstream and independent schools. The reader should bear in mind that some of the young people covered by the OC2 collection will be in young offenders institutions, pupil referral units, or special needs schools, which are not accounted for in the DfES data.
- 2.6 Comparability between educational attainment data for looked after children and all children at local level has to be viewed with these caveats in mind.
- 2.7 The national SEN figures are based on the January school census. All other figures from DfES are based on a school year running from 1 September to the following 31 August.

#### **Comparability of education, employment and training status (Tables D and 6)**

- 2.8 The comparative figures in Tables D and 6 were provided by the Connexions Service and are based on a survey of all year 11 pupils in maintained schools in England in the school year which ended in August 2002. They exclude data from a small number of independent schools.

#### **Comparability of offending data (Table 7)**

- 2.9 The figures for all children cited in Table 7 are for Police Force areas, which do not necessarily follow the same boundaries as individual councils, and in many instances include the areas of a number of councils. These figures must therefore be treated with caution. At present the 'all children' data collected on this basis are the only figures available to provide a comparison with looked-after children.

**Figure 2.2: Comparability between reference periods of OC2 data for 30 September 2002 and the data for all children obtained from other sources.**

<b>Relevant Tables And data item</b>	<b>OC2 data item and time period</b>	<b>'all children' data definition, time period, and source</b>
Table A: Children with a statement of SEN	All children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, and who had a statement of SEN on that date	All children in the school population at January 2002 with a statement of SEN. DfES data from Pupil-level Annual School Census, 'PLASC'. Published May 2002 as DfES Statistical First Release SFR 11/2002.
Table A: Numbers of permanent exclusions from schools	All children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, and who became permanently excluded from school at any time during the twelve-month period. Where a child was permanently excluded twice during the period, both exclusions are counted.	All children in the school population who became permanently excluded during the school year ending August 2002. Where a child was permanently excluded twice during the period, both exclusions are counted. Published May 2003 as DfES Statistical First Release SFR 16/2003.
Tables B, 2, 3, 4: Key Stage results	Of all children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, those who were eligible to sit relevant Key Stage tasks and tests according to their date of birth.	All children in the LEA maintained school population eligible to sit relevant Key Stage tasks and tests according to their date of birth. Refers to the school year ending August 2002. Published by DfES October 2002 as Statistical First Release SFR 25/2002.
Tables C, 5: GCSE performance	Of all children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, those who belonged to Year 11 according to their date of birth.	All children in the school population who were eligible to sit relevant GCSE or GNVQ exams according to their date of birth. Refers to the school year ending August 2002. Published by DfES January 2003 as Statistical Bulletin 'GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A/AS/VCE/Advanced GNVQ Examination Results 2001/2002 – England'.
Tables D, 6 : Activity following year 11	Of all children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, those who belonged to Year 11 according to their date of birth.	All pupils in the LEA maintained school population in England who were in year 11 which ended in August 2002. (Connexions/Careers Service Annual Activity Survey, carried out in October 2002).
Tables E, 7: Offending behaviour	Of all children looked after continuously for twelve months or more on 30 September 2002, those aged 10 or over on that date.	Number of people aged 10 to 17 who were cautioned or convicted for any offence. Refers to calendar year ending 31 December 2001. (Supplied by Crime and Criminal Justice Unit, RDS, Home Office; published on DH website at <a href="http://www.doh.gov.uk/stats/forms.htm#oc2">www.doh.gov.uk/stats/forms.htm#oc2</a> )

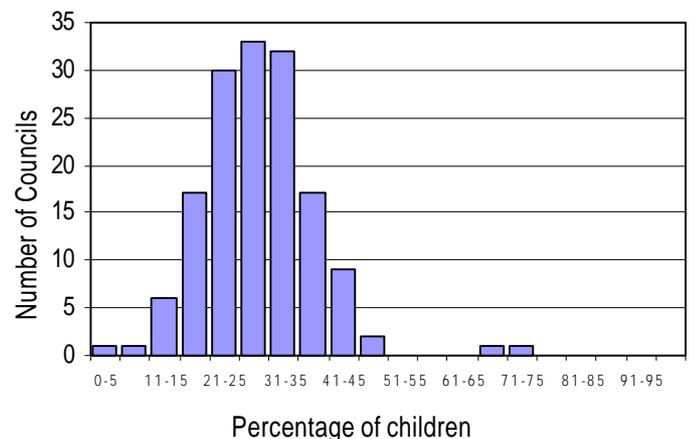
### 3. Educational Attainment

#### Children who have statements of Special Educational Needs (SEN) (Tables A and 1)

- 3.1 Children have special educational needs if they have a learning difficulty which calls for special educational provision to be made for them. Further definitional and background information is provided in the *Special Educational Needs Code of Practice* which was published by DfES in November 2001<sup>2</sup>. Chapter 10 of the *Code of Practice* discusses the responsibility of social services departments to work closely with schools and LEAs on behalf of these children.
- 3.2 34,500 of the children looked after continuously for a least twelve months were of school age at 30 September 2002. It is estimated that of these, 9,200 (27%) during the 2001/2002 school year held statements of special educational needs (stage 5 in the *Code of Practice*). This percentage is very similar to that for the twelve months ending 30 September 2001 (26%).
- 3.3 Compared to national figures for all children in England, looked-after children are almost nine times more likely to hold a statement of special educational needs. 3.0% of all school children in England held a statement of SEN at January 2002.
- 3.4 The comparator figures in Table A for all children in England were provided by DfES and represent the position at January 2000 to January 2002<sup>3</sup>.
- 3.5 Figure 3.1 shows the variation between councils in the percentage of their

children looked after for twelve months who had statements of SEN on 30 September. As can be seen, in two-thirds of councils the incidence of looked-after children with special educational needs lies between 21% and 35% inclusive. The total range is between 4% (Buckinghamshire) and 72% (Wokingham).

**Figure 3.1: Councils ranked according to percentage of children looked after for at least twelve months at 30 September 2002 who held a statement**



#### Exclusions from school (Tables A and 1)

- 3.6 Looked-after children also appear more likely to receive a permanent exclusion from school. Out of the 34,500 looked-after children of school age, there were 420 permanent exclusions during the 2001/2002 school year. Fixed-term exclusions are not included. Although this is a count of exclusions rather than children excluded, it is uncommon for the same child to receive more than one permanent exclusion during the school year.

<sup>2</sup> available at: [www.dfes.gov.uk/sen](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/sen)

<sup>3</sup> First Release figures at [www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0332/index.html](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0332/index.html).

3.7 The number of exclusions expressed as a percentage of children who had been looked after for at least twelve months and who were eligible for schooling is 1.2% compared to 1.3% for the twelve months ending 30 September 2001.

*The proportion who became disengaged from education is reduced so that no more than 10 per cent reach school leaving age without having sat a GCSE equivalent exam;*

3.8 This compares with 0.1% of all children in England in the 2002 school year. The comparator figures of exclusions for all children are provided by DfES<sup>4</sup>.

*The proportion of those aged 16 who get qualifications equivalent to GCSEs graded A\*-C has risen on average by 4 percentage points each year since 2002; and in all authorities at least 15 per cent of young people in care achieve this level of qualifications*

3.9 Small numbers have been suppressed in Table 1. For further details see the section on 'Rounding and Suppression' at the end of the Technical Notes.

3.12 The target relates to children who were in care on 30 September and had been continuously looked after for at least 12 months. Data presented later in this section show that for the twelve months ending 30 September 2002:

### **Children who missed at least 25 days of school for any reason (Tables A and 1)**

3.10 For the 2001/2002 school year, 12% of children looked after continuously throughout the year missed 25 days or more of school for any reason, the same as the previous school year. This represents Performance Assessment Framework indicator C24.

The proportion of children continuously looked after for at least 12 months aged 11 and obtaining level 4 in KS2 English and Maths was 46% of the proportion for all children (see paragraph 3.14) compared to the target of 60% by 2006.

### **Target on attainment**

3.11 There is a Public Service Agreement target<sup>5</sup> to improve the life chances for children in care by narrowing the gap between the educational attainment and participation of children in care and that of their peers by 2006. The target to narrow the gap will have been achieved if, by 2006:

Of the children looked after continuously for at least 12 months who were in year 11, 42% did not sit a GCSE or equivalent examination (see paragraph 3.17). The target states that this figure should be no more than 10% by 2006.

*Outcomes for 11 year olds in English and maths are at least 60 per cent as good as those of their peers;*

8% of children continuously looked after for at least 12 months in year 11 attained 5 GCSE or equivalent passes at grades A\*-C (see paragraph 3.19); this is the baseline for the target.

<sup>4</sup> First release published May 2002 at [www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0331/index.html](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0331/index.html)

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/performance/Health.cfm>

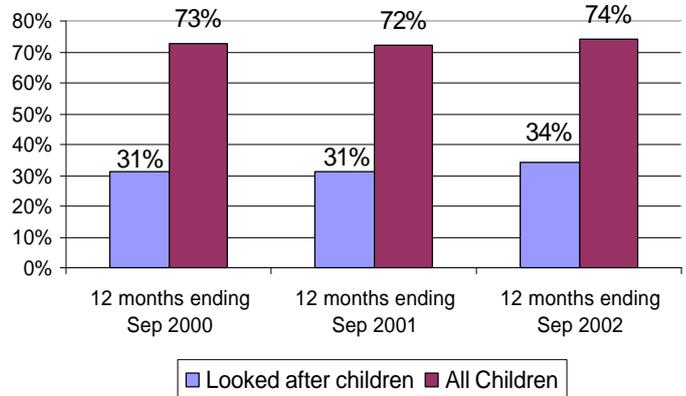
13% of councils had at least 15% of their children achieving 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) A\* to C. The target states that all authorities should reach this standard by 2006.

**Key Stage and GCSE or equivalent results (Tables B&C, and Tables 2, 3, 4 & 5)**

3.13 The performance of those children looked after continuously for a year in the tasks and tests at the end of the three Key Stages is shown in Table B. Overall 50% reached the target level 2 at Key Stage 1, 40% reached level 4 at Key Stage 2 and 22% reached level 5 at Key Stage 3. (The comparable figures for school year ending August 2001 were 48%, 37%, and 21% respectively.) It can be seen that the academic performance of looked-after children worsens for older children. This lower performance with age is also apparent in the national school population, with equivalent (provisional) figures for Key Stages 1, 2 and 3 for the school year ending August 2002 being 85%, 78% and 66% respectively.

3.14 Considering Maths and English only, 34% reached level 4 at Key Stage 2 compared with 31% in August 2001 and 31% in August 2000. Figure 3.2 illustrates these figures more clearly and compares them against the equivalent figures for all children. Combining these figures in 2001/02 shows the proportion of children continuously looked after for at least 12 months aged 11 and obtaining level 4 in KS2 English and Maths to be 46% of the proportion for all children. This compares to 43% in 2000/01 and 43% in 1999/2000.

**Figure 3.2: Percentage of children looked after for at least 12 months at 30 September 2002 reaching level 4 in Maths and English, compared with all children**

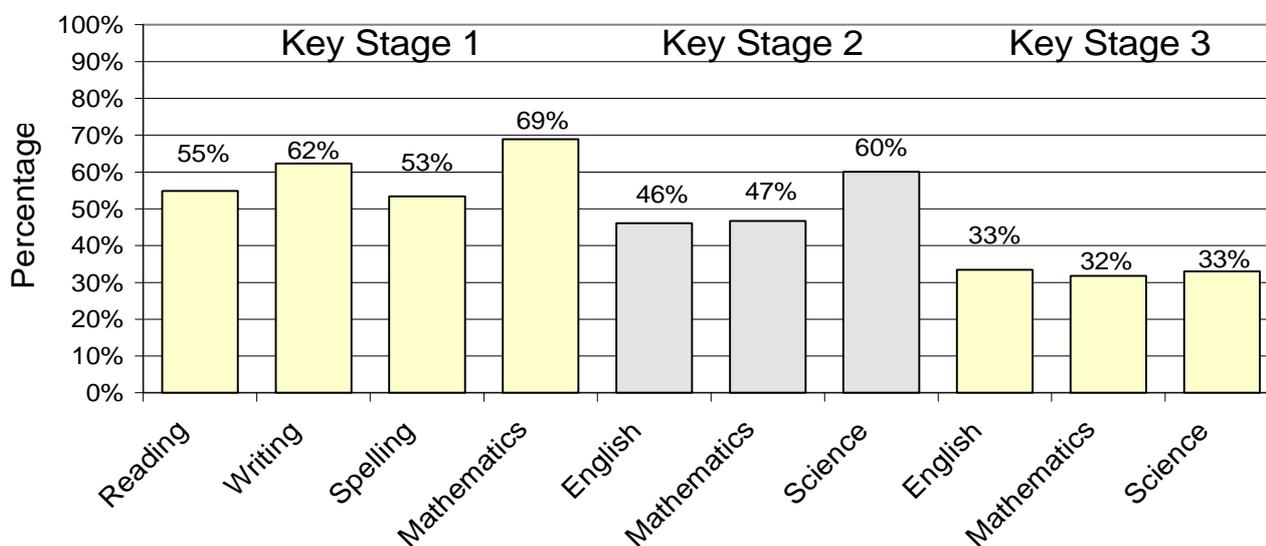


3.15 Figure 3.3 shows the percentage of looked-after children attaining the target level at each Key Stage test, as a proportion of the percentage of all children attaining the target level for the 2001/2002 school year<sup>6</sup>.

3.16 It can be seen from Figure 3.3 that the performance of looked-after children achieving the target level for Key Stage 1 is between 53% and 69% of that of all children. For Key Stage 2, the performance of looked-after children drops to between 46% and 60% of that of all children, and at Key Stage 3, the attainment of looked-after children is only around 33% of that of the total school population at Key Stage 3.

<sup>6</sup> First release figures for all children at LEA level were published in October 2002 and are available at [www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0356/index.htm](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/SFR/s0356/index.htm)

**Figure 3.3 The proportion of looked-after children attaining the target level of each of the Key Stage tasks and tests, shown as a percentage of the proportion of all children attaining the target level. Twelve months to 30 September 2002**



**Year 11: GCSEs and GNVQs (Tables C and 5)**

3.17 Of the children looked after continuously throughout Year 11 (Tables C and 5), 42% did not sit a GCSE or equivalent exam, compared with 46% in the previous 2 years. 53% obtained at least one GCSE at grade A\*- G or a GNVQ. This compares to 50% and 49% respectively for the school years ending 30 September 2001 and 2000.

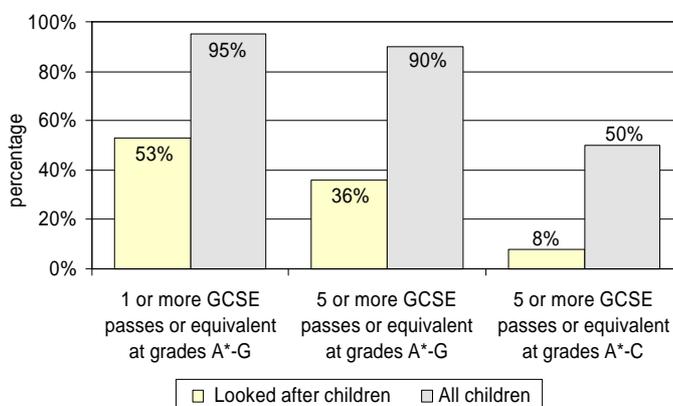
3.18 The provisional equivalent figure for all children in England in year 11 who obtained at least one grade A\* - G or a GNVQ during the school year ending August 2002 is 95%. 36% of children looked after during the year achieved 5 or more GCSE or equivalent passes at grades A\*- G, compared to 90% of all children.

3.19 Only 7.5% of looked-after children attained 5 GCSE or equivalent passes at grades A\*-C, compared with 50% of all children. This figure for looked after children is similar to previous years (8.0% in 2001 and 7.3% in 2000)

The OC2 excludes the results of young people who left care after completing year 11 but before 30 September 2002.

3.20 Figure 3.4 compares GCSE or equivalent attainments of looked-after children in year 11 to the attainments of all children.

**Figure 3.4 Percentage of children looked after for at least twelve months at 30 September 2002 obtaining GCSE or equivalent passes, compared with all children**



Note: DfES figures for all children are provisional.

3.21 Although there is a large difference between the performance of looked-after children and all children at each set of Key Stage tasks and tests and in general GCSE or equivalent attainment, this difference is at its greatest when considering those children obtaining the higher grades at GCSE or equivalent; five passes between grades A\*- C.

### **Education and employment at age 16 (Tables D and 6)**

3.22 The OC2 return collects information on the position of those looked-after children who finished compulsory schooling during the 2001/2002 school year on completing year 11. The reader should bear in mind that these data do not represent outcomes for care leavers, as all of these young people were still looked after on 30 September.

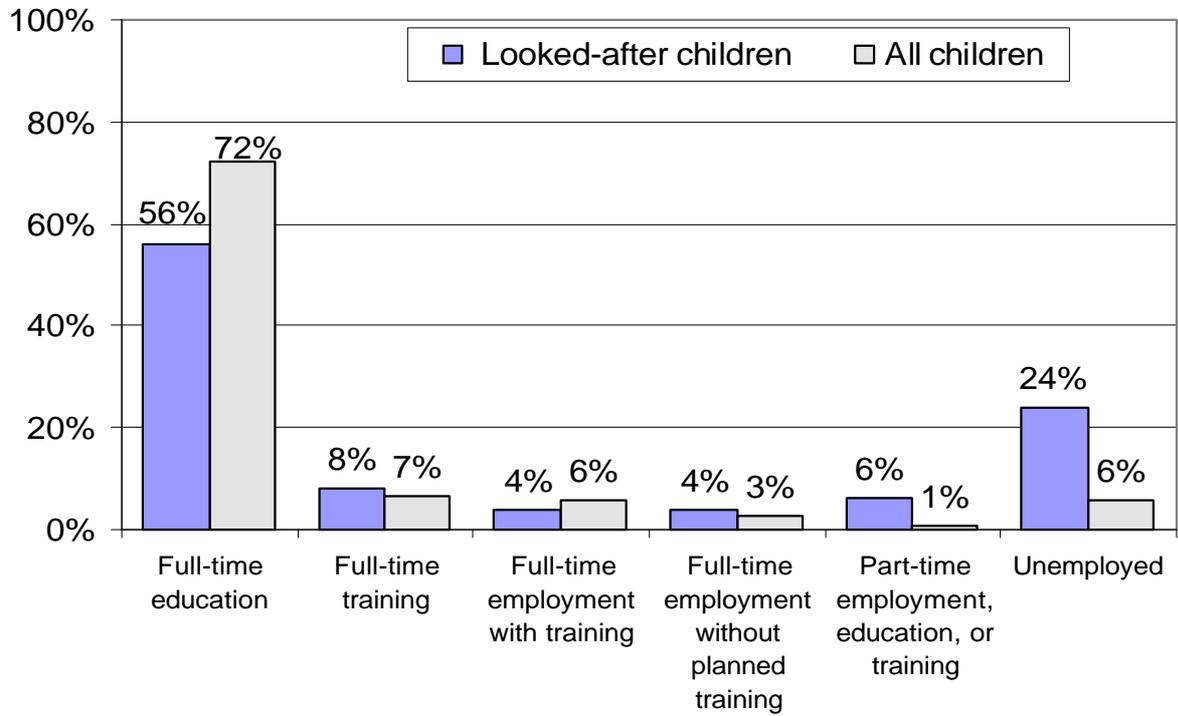
3.23 At 30 September 2002, 56% of these young people were in or about to start full-time education. 8% were in full-time training, 7% in full-time employment and 6% in part-time employment, education, or training. 24% of these young people were unemployed at 30 September; for 2% this was due to ill-health or disability. These percentages are similar to those which were reported for the position at 30 September 2001 (53% were in full-time education, 7% in full-time training, 8% in full-time employment, 6% in part-time employment, education or training and 24% were unemployed).

3.24 Figure 3.6 and Tables D and 6 compare these outcomes with data for all children who completed year 11. The comparative information for all children is from the 'Connexions/ Careers Service Annual Activity

Survey 2002'. This survey was carried out in October 2002, covering all young people who were in year 11 during the 2001/2002 school year.

3.25 The comparison shows that, at a national level, fewer looked-after children remained in full-time education than in the comparator population, whereas more looked-after children were unemployed, or in part-time education, employment or training.

**Figure 3.6: The position of looked-after children at 30 September 2001 following the completion of year 11, compared with all children of same age.**



## 4. Cautions and Convictions

### Cautions and convictions (Tables E and 7)

- 4.1 As can be seen from Table E and figure 4.1, looked-after children of the age of criminal responsibility are three times more likely to be cautioned or convicted of an offence than others. 9.7% of children looked after for a year or more who were aged 10 or over had been convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year.
- 4.2 This compares with a figure of 3.6% for all children. The ratio of these two percentages represents PAF indicator C18. This figure is slightly lower than that for the twelve months ending 30 September 2001 (2.7% in 2002 compared to 3.0% in 2001).
- 4.3 Table 7 shows these figures at local council level. As explained above, the comparable figures for all children are for Police force areas, which do not necessarily follow the same boundaries as individual councils and in many instances cover the areas of several councils.

- 4.4 There is a Public Service Agreement target to improve the life chances for children in care by narrowing the gap between the proportions of children in care and their peers who receive a final warning or conviction. The target will be met successfully if the proportions of children in care who were cautioned or convicted in the year to 30 September is reduced by a third from 10.8% to 7.2% by 2004 and maintained until 2006.

### Children aged 10 or over convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the years ending 30 September 2000 to 2002

England	<i>percentages</i>		
	2000	2001	2002
Looked after children	10.8	10.4	9.7
All children <sup>7</sup>	3.6	3.5	3.6
PAF Indicator C18 <sup>8</sup>	3.0	3.0	2.7

<sup>7</sup> Data for all children are from the Home Office and are for calendar years 31 December 1999 to 2001, expressed as a percentage of all children aged 10-17.

<sup>8</sup> For definitions of PAF C18, see table E and table 7.

## 5. Health Outcomes

### Health Assessments (Table F and Tables 8 & 9)

- 5.1 Of the 44,100 children who had been looked after continuously for twelve months, 31,300 (71%) had their annual health assessment and 31,800 (72%) had their teeth checked by a dentist during that period.
- 5.2 It must be borne in mind when considering these figures that children have a right to refuse a health assessment or dental check. As the OC2 return is for children looked after for a year all babies will have teeth by then which should be checked.
- 5.3 Nearly three quarters (73%) of children looked after continually throughout the year were up-to-date for their routine immunisations. This figure should also be interpreted with some caution. Children may enter care with their immunisations behind

schedule, or unknown as in the case of unaccompanied asylum seekers, and it is not always possible for a local authority to 'catch up' with immunisations.

- 5.4 The combination of the percentages for dental checks and health assessments make up PAF C19. Immunisations used to be included in this calculation but has now been taken out. Previous years PAF C19 has been recalculated without immunisations for England only so a comparison can be made. The PAF C19 figure for the twelve months ending September 2002 is 72% This compares with a figure of 68% last year.
- 5.5 In addition, 5,500 (74%) of children under age 5 who had been looked after for at least a year had their development assessments up to date. This compares to 5,400 (74%) in 2001.



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**Table A Number of children looked after at 30 September 2000 to 2002 who had been looked after for at least twelve months, and general information about education**

	England								
	looked-after children						all children		
	number			percentages <sup>1</sup>			percentages <sup>2</sup>		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Number of children looked after at 30 Sept. who had been looked after for at least twelve months	42,200	43,400	44,100	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>and of these:</b> Number eligible for full-time schooling	33,100	33,800	34,500	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>and of these:</b> Number with a statement of special educational needs	8,600	8,900	9,200	26.0	26.5	26.8	3.0	3.1	3.0
Number of permanent exclusions from school <sup>3</sup>	490	450	420	1.5	1.3	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Number who missed at least 25 days of school <sup>4,5</sup>	4,000	4,100	4,100	11.9	12.2	12.0	..	..	..

<sup>1</sup> expressed as a percentage of the number eligible for full-time schooling

<sup>2</sup> source: DfES statistical bulletins: 'Statistics of Education: Special Educational Needs in England: January 2003 (provisional)', and 'Permanent Exclusions from Schools in England 2001/2002 (provisional estimates)'

<sup>3</sup> If a child was permanently excluded more than once in the previous school year, each occasion has been counted.

<sup>4</sup> Performance Assessment Framework Indicator C24: The percentage of children who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months and were of school age, who missed a total of at least 25 days during the previous school year of schooling for any reason.

<sup>5</sup> figures on this basis are not collected by DfES for all children

**Table B Eligibility and performance of looked-after children in Key Stage tasks and tests, compared with all children, school years ending 30 September 2000 to 2002**

England	numbers and percentages								
	looked-after children						all children <sup>1</sup>		
	numbers			percentages			percentages		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
<b>YEAR 2</b>									
Number eligible to sit Key Stage 1 tasks and tests	2,000	2,100	2,000	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number who attained at least Level 2 <sup>2</sup> in the following:									
Reading task <sup>3</sup>	970	950	935	47.6	45.1	46.2	83	84	84
Writing task	990	1,100	1,100	48.6	50.6	52.4	84	86	86
Spelling test	780	890	905	38.2	42.2	44.8	71	75	78
Mathematics task/test	1,100	1,200	1,200	53.8	55.8	57.9	90	91	90
<b>YEAR 6</b>									
Number eligible to sit Key Stage 2 tasks and tests	2,700	2,800	2,900	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number who attained at least Level 4 <sup>2</sup> in the following:									
English	860	940	1,000	32.3	33.3	34.6	74	74	75
Mathematics	810	820	1,000	30.4	29.1	34.2	71	70	73
Science	1,200	1,400	1,500	44.0	49.8	51.7	84	87	86
<b>YEAR 9</b>									
Number eligible to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	3,400	3,500	3,800	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number who attained at least Level 5 <sup>2</sup> in the following:									
English	640	710	835	18.9	20.3	22.1	63	64	66
Mathematics	660	760	810	19.4	21.6	21.4	65	66	67
Science	610	740	825	17.9	21.1	21.8	59	66	66

<sup>1</sup> source: DfES statistical bulletin 'National curriculum assessments of 7, 11 and 14 year olds in England - 2002.

<sup>2</sup> target level for age group

<sup>3</sup> the 'all children' Key stage 1 Reading task figure is derived by DfES from an average of children attaining level 2 or above in the reading task and pupils attaining level 3 or above in the reading comprehension test, therefore cannot be directly compared with the reading task or reading comprehension test figures for looked-after children. There was also a reading comprehension task in 2000. Figures shown for 2000 are for reading task only

**Table C GCSE performance or equivalents of looked-after children in Year 11 compared with all children, school years ending 30 September 2000 to 2002**

England	numbers and percentages								
	looked-after children						all children <sup>1</sup>		
	numbers			percentages <sup>2</sup>			percentages		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Number in Year 11	3,900	4,200	4,300	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number who sat at least one GCSE or GNVQ <sup>3</sup>	2,100	2,200	2,500	53.5	54.1	57.9	.	.	.
Number who obtained at least:									
1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ	1,900	2,100	2,300	49.2	49.6	53.2	94	95	95
5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G	1,400	1,400	1,500	35.5	33.1	36.3	89	90	90
5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	280	330	320	7.3	8.0	7.5	49	48	50

<sup>1</sup> source: DfES statistical bulletin: GCSE/GNVQ and GCE A/AS/VCE/Advanced GNVQ Examination Results 2001/2002 - England. Issued January 2003.

<sup>2</sup> expressed as a percentage of all looked after children in Year 11

<sup>3</sup> DfES does not collect this data item for all children

**Table D Education and employment status at 30 September 2002 of looked-after children in Year 11 in 2001/2002 school year, compared with all children**

Government Office Region		total number of children in Year 11 in 2001/2002 school year	position at 30 September 2002, shown as a percentage of the total						unemployed	
			full-time education	full-time training	full-time employment with planned training	full-time employment with no planned training	part-time employment, education, or training	a result of ill-health or disability	other reason	
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>looked after</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>55.6</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>22.0</b>	
	<b>all children<sup>1,2</sup></b>	<b>592,300</b>	<b>72.1</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>5.8</b>		
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	looked after	220	49	12	5	5	7	-	20	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	33,900	67	11	3	3	1	8		
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	looked after	570	49	11	5	4	6	2	23	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	90,800	70	9	6	2	1	7		
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	looked after	395	46	9	5	4	6	-	29	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	63,100	68	9	6	4	1	7		
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	looked after	240	46	11	3	4	6	-	29	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	51,100	71	7	6	3	1	6		
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	looked after	415	56	9	5	4	4	-	22	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	68,300	70	9	5	4	1	6		
<b>EAST</b>	looked after	390	54	6	4	3	8	2	24	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	64,100	74	5	8	2	1	5		
<b>LONDON</b>	looked after	1,105	62	6	2	2	5	1	21	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	75,000	77	3	3	2	1	7		
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	looked after	545	62	5	5	6	3	3	16	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	89,500	76	5	7	2	0.5	4		
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	looked after	390	58	5	4	5	8	3	19	
	all children <sup>1,2</sup>	56,600	74	6	6	3	1	4		

<sup>1</sup> Source: The Connexions/Careers Service Annual Activity Survey 2002'. Covers all young people who were in year 11 during the school year ending August 2002, and is based on a survey carried out during October 2002.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages for 'all children' do not sum to 100 because the Connexions/Career Service Survey included an additional category of moved away' 'no response' and 'refused to participate', which is not relevant to looked-after children.

**Table E Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2000 to 2002**

England	numbers and percentages											
	looked after						all children <sup>1</sup>			PAF Indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>		
	number			percentage			percentages					
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Number of children looked after for at least twelve months	42,200	43,400	44,100	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number of children aged 10 or older at 30 September	25,700	27,000	28,200	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year	2,800	2,800	2,700	10.8	10.4	9.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	2.7

<sup>1</sup> Data for all children are from Home Office, and are for calendar years ending 31 December 1999 to 2001, expressed as a percentage of all children aged 10-17

<sup>2</sup> the proportion of children (aged 10 or over) who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who were convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand during the year for an offence committed whilst they were looked after, expressed as a ratio of the proportion of all children and young people convicted or subject to a final warning or reprimand for an offence in the police force area.

**Table F Health care of looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2000 to 2002**

England	numbers of looked after children and percentages								
	number			percentage			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1, 2</sup>		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
number of children looked after for at least one year	42,200	43,400	44,100	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>of these:</b>									
number whose immunisations were up to date	29,000	31,000	32,400	68.6	71.4	73.4			
number who had their teeth checked by a dentist	26,800	29,600	31,800	63.5	68.2	72.2	} 64.3	68.2	71.6
number who had their annual health assessment	27,400	29,700	31,300	65.1	68.3	71.0			
number of children looked after for at least one year, and aged 5 or younger at 30 September:	7,500	7,300	7,400	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>of these:</b>									
number whose development assessments were up to date	5,300	5,400	5,500	71.6	74.0	74.5	.	.	.

<sup>1</sup> The average of the percentages of children looked after at 30 September who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who had their teeth checked by a dentist during the previous 12 months, and had an annual health assessment during the previous 12 months. In previous years this indicator also included immunisations. The figures shown here reflect the revised definition.

<sup>2</sup> Figures for 2001 have been updated since the last publication, following revisions from councils

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Local Authority	number looked after for at least twelve months	of these, number of school age	of these:					
			- children with a statement of SEN		- permanent exclusions from school <sup>1</sup>		- children who missed at least 25 days school <sup>2</sup>	
			number	%	number	%	number	%
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>44,100</b>	<b>34,500</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>4,100</b>	<b>12.0</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>2,440</b>	<b>1,970</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>14</b>
Shire Counties								
Durham	330	255	50	19	0	0	45	18
Northumberland	200	175	55	32	-	-	20	12
Unitary Authorities								
Darlington	95	75	20	24	0	0	0	0
Hartlepool	80	65	15	24	-	-	-	-
Middlesbrough	185	145	35	24	-	-	15	10
Redcar & Cleveland	105	90	35	42	-	-	25	26
Stockton On Tees	120	110	35	34	0	0	10	8
Metropolitan Districts								
Gateshead	190	160	50	30	-	-	20	11
Newcastle Upon Tyne	325	240	55	22	-	-	25	10
North Tyneside	235	195	35	19	-	-	25	14
South Tyneside	205	165	50	30	-	-	35	22
Sunderland	370	295	85	28	-	-	45	16
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>7,590</b>	<b>5,985</b>	<b>1,450</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>14</b>
Shire Counties								
Cheshire	360	285	100	35	-	-	40	14
Cumbria	435	330	65	20	-	-	40	12
Lancashire	985	765	200	26	10	1	80	10
Unitary Authorities								
Blackburn With Darwen	220	180	30	17	-	-	10	5
Blackpool	195	150	30	20	-	-	25	17
Halton	130	105	35	31	0	0	10	10
Warrington	130	90	35	39	0	0	10	9
Metropolitan Districts								
Bolton	195	155	45	28	-	-	30	20
Bury	200	145	40	26	-	-	5	4
Knowsley	180	135	45	34	0	0	10	9
Liverpool	935	755	135	18	10	1	110	15
Manchester	935	770	120	16	5	1	165	22
Oldham	265	215	35	17	-	-	25	11
Rochdale	210	155	35	22	-	-	15	10
Salford	470	370	55	15	-	-	50	14
Sefton	250	220	45	21	-	-	25	12
St Helens	195	150	50	33	0	0	15	11
Stockport	310	240	70	29	-	-	35	15
Tameside	190	150	45	30	0	0	20	14
Trafford	125	95	35	36	-	-	15	18
Wigan	320	255	85	33	5	2	30	13
Wirral	355	265	115	43	5	3	40	16

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			of these:		- permanent exclusions from school <sup>1</sup>		- children who missed at least 25 days school <sup>2</sup>	
			- children with a statement of SEN		number	%	number	%
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>4,950</b>	<b>3,905</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>14</b>
Shire Counties								
North Yorkshire	240	185	50	27	0	0	10	5
Unitary Authorities								
East Riding Of Yorkshire	155	125	40	32	-	-	10	9
Kingston Upon Hull	440	365	80	22	20	5	30	8
North East Lincolnshire	195	145	30	20	-	-	10	7
North Lincolnshire	140	110	35	31	-	-	20	17
York	95	80	25	33	-	-	15	22
Metropolitan Districts								
Barnsley	205	155	45	29	0	0	15	10
Bradford	580	465	140	31	5	2	65	14
Calderdale	130	90	30	36	0	0	15	15
Doncaster	325	245	65	27	-	-	60	25
Kirklees	195	140	50	36	0	0	25	19
Leeds	1,080	875	215	25	-	-	155	18
Rotherham	325	245	70	29	-	-	35	14
Sheffield	515	405	130	32	-	-	45	12
Wakefield	335	275	70	26	-	-	40	15
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>2,190</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>13</b>
Shire Counties								
Derbyshire	425	335	105	31	-	-	50	15
Leicestershire	195	155	30	21	-	-	20	12
Lincolnshire	375	280	25	8	-	-	5	3
Northamptonshire	445	345	105	30	-	-	70	20
Nottinghamshire	355	290	40	14	5	2	20	8
Unitary Authorities								
Derby	300	250	75	31	-	-	30	13
Leicester	355	265	95	36	-	-	60	23
Nottingham	370	275	50	18	10	4	30	11
Rutland	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-

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			of these:		- permanent exclusions from school <sup>1</sup>		- children who missed at least 25 days school <sup>2</sup>	
			- children with a statement of SEN		number	%	number	%
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>5,025</b>	<b>3,860</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>10</b>
Shire Counties								
Shropshire	135	105	40	39	-	-	20	18
Staffordshire	385	305	110	35	-	-	35	11
Warwickshire	255	195	70	37	0	0	20	10
Worcestershire	425	335	115	34	5	2	20	6
Unitary Authorities								
Herefordshire	150	125	30	23	-	-	10	6
Stoke-On-Trent	280	230	55	24	5	3	40	17
Telford & Wrekin	130	110	40	35	0	0	15	13
Metropolitan Districts								
Birmingham	1,500	1,115	250	22	15	1	65	6
Coventry	370	285	75	27	-	-	25	8
Dudley	295	220	60	28	-	-	25	12
Sandwell	370	275	60	21	-	-	25	9
Solihull	125	95	25	26	-	-	15	14
Walsall	325	245	60	24	-	-	25	10
Wolverhampton	280	225	70	31	10	4	40	18
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>4,035</b>	<b>3,195</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>11</b>
Shire Counties								
Bedfordshire	310	260	95	37	-	-	30	12
Cambridgeshire	255	210	80	39	0	0	20	10
Essex	865	680	110	16	10	2	45	7
Hertfordshire	685	525	150	28	-	-	55	10
Norfolk	505	420	120	29	-	-	55	13
Suffolk	515	390	115	29	-	-	65	17
Unitary Authorities								
Luton	280	205	50	25	-	-	20	10
Peterborough	270	220	70	31	0	0	30	13
Southend	190	155	40	26	-	-	20	12
Thurrock	160	125	20	18	-	-	25	20

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	number looked after for at least twelve months	of these, number of school age	of these:		- permanent exclusions from school <sup>1</sup>		- children who missed at least 25 days school <sup>2</sup>	
			- children with a statement of SEN		number	%	number	%
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>8,325</b>	<b>6,150</b>	<b>1,545</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>11</b>
Inner London								
Camden	230	165	40	26	-	-	5	4
City of London	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
Greenwich	365	275	95	34	5	3	40	14
Hackney	375	270	85	31	10	3	30	11
Hammersmith & Fulham	310	230	45	19	0	0	30	14
Islington	350	270	65	23	0	0	30	11
Kensington & Chelsea	180	140	25	20	5	4	20	14
Lambeth	560	410	120	29	5	2	105	25
Lewisham	440	320	70	22	-	-	35	11
Southwark	510	350	75	21	-	-	40	11
Tower Hamlets	270	185	75	40	-	-	20	10
Wandsworth	250	200	40	20	-	-	30	16
Westminster	205	150	40	27	-	-	15	11
Outer London								
Barking & Dagenham	255	185	55	29	10	6	15	8
Barnet	245	190	40	22	-	-	30	15
Bexley	160	130	35	28	-	-	15	12
Brent	260	125	15	11	-	-	-	-
Bromley	230	180	50	29	-	-	20	10
Croydon	440	315	45	14	-	-	45	14
Ealing	305	245	70	28	-	-	-	-
Enfield	205	155	35	22	-	-	10	6
Haringey	285	225	55	24	0	0	20	8
Harrow	120	90	35	38	0	0	5	7
Havering	120	90	30	33	-	-	10	10
Hillingdon	280	215	25	12	0	0	5	3
Hounslow	255	185	65	34	-	-	20	11
Kingston Upon Thames	55	50	25	50	0	0	-	-
Merton	130	105	25	21	-	-	-	-
Newham	405	300	45	16	-	-	-	-
Redbridge	100	75	15	23	-	-	10	11
Richmond Upon Thames	90	70	30	41	-	-	15	24
Sutton	115	100	35	34	-	-	20	19
Waltham Forest	230	165	45	28	-	-	20	12

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			of these:		- permanent exclusions from school <sup>1</sup>		- children who missed at least 25 days school <sup>2</sup>	
			- children with a statement of SEN		number	%	number	%
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>5,430</b>	<b>4,370</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>12</b>
Shire Counties								
Buckinghamshire	190	140	5	4	0	0	25	19
East Sussex	350	260	65	24	-	-	30	11
Hampshire	720	560	140	25	15	2	40	7
Kent	1,105	875	225	26	10	1	105	12
Oxfordshire	340	285	110	38	0	0	25	8
Surrey	530	420	135	32	-	-	35	8
West Sussex	550	500	150	30	20	4	65	13
Unitary Authorities								
Bracknell Forest	45	40	15	42	0	0	5	18
Brighton & Hove	275	220	80	36	-	-	20	10
Isle Of Wight	125	115	25	22	-	-	15	11
Medway Towns	180	145	55	39	0	0	10	8
Milton Keynes	160	125	55	43	0	0	20	16
Portsmouth	180	145	30	22	0	0	50	36
Reading	100	75	35	44	-	-	10	13
Slough	115	85	20	24	0	0	-	-
Southampton	290	230	35	15	-	-	70	30
West Berkshire	90	75	35	45	-	-	5	8
Windsor & Maidenhead	40	30	10	34	0	0	-	-
Wokingham	50	45	35	72	-	-	5	15
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>3,480</b>	<b>2,855</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>9</b>
Shire Counties								
Cornwall	395	330	150	45	5	2	10	2
Devon	525	440	145	33	-	-	10	2
Dorset	175	130	55	40	-	-	25	18
Gloucestershire	410	380	120	32	5	2	30	8
Isle of Scilly	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0
Somerset	205	165	50	31	-	-	35	20
Wiltshire	195	155	35	23	0	0	30	19
Unitary Authorities								
Bath & North East Somerset	115	95	35	39	0	0	-	-
Bournemouth	155	115	20	17	0	0	10	7
Bristol	365	305	105	34	-	-	60	19
North Somerset	110	85	40	46	0	0	10	9
Plymouth	345	265	80	31	0	0	10	5
Poole	120	100	30	30	0	0	15	13
South Gloucestershire	90	75	30	42	-	-	-	-
Swindon	130	105	25	26	-	-	15	15
Torbay	140	105	35	36	-	-	5	7

<sup>1</sup> Where a child was permanently excluded more than once in the previous school year, each occasion has been counted.

<sup>2</sup> PAF Indicator C24: The percentage of children who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months and were of school age, who missed a total of at least 25 days of schooling for any reason during the previous school year

**Table 2 Eligibility and performance of looked after children in Key Stage 1 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 2 old enough to sit Key Stage 1 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 2 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test							
		reading task		writing task		spelling test		mathematics task/test	
		looked after	all children <sup>2,3</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>46.2</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>90</b>
Shire Counties									
Durham	10	-	85	-	86	-	81	-	91
Northumberland	5	-	89	-	90	-	84	-	92
Unitary Authorities									
Darlington	5	-	88	0	88	-	83	-	92
Hartlepool	5	-	85	0	86	0	83	-	90
Middlesbrough	10	-	80	-	82	-	77	-	87
Redcar & Cleveland	10	-	86	-	88	-	82	-	90
Stockton On Tees	-	-	85	-	86	-	83	-	92
Metropolitan Districts									
Gateshead	10	-	83	58	85	-	80	-	90
Newcastle Upon Tyne	15	41	82	76	85	71	77	76	90
North Tyneside	-	-	89	-	90	-	85	-	93
South Tyneside	5	-	86	-	86	-	81	-	90
Sunderland	15	-	84	59	84	53	79	65	89
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>90</b>
Shire Counties									
Cheshire	15	43	88	50	90	43	84	-	93
Cumbria	20	39	87	61	89	44	82	50	92
Lancashire	45	28	85	51	86	45	79	57	91
Unitary Authorities									
Blackburn With Darwen	10	-	81	-	82	-	77	-	89
Blackpool	15	57	80	50	78	50	73	64	88
Halton	10	-	84	-	88	-	76	-	90
Warrington	5	-	88	-	89	-	83	-	92
Metropolitan Districts									
Bolton	5	-	85	-	86	-	81	-	90
Bury	10	-	87	-	90	-	84	-	92
Knowsley	10	-	83	-	84	-	76	-	89
Liverpool	60	41	82	45	84	43	76	48	89
Manchester	50	26	77	44	78	40	72	56	86
Oldham	20	55	80	55	84	45	76	80	88
Rochdale	15	-	81	-	84	-	75	53	87
Salford	35	68	83	70	83	68	76	73	88
Sefton	10	-	87	-	87	-	81	-	92
St Helens	15	-	87	-	89	40	84	-	91
Stockport	15	64	86	57	90	50	82	50	92
Tameside	-	-	85	-	87	-	81	-	91
Trafford	-	-	85	-	88	-	82	-	91
Wigan	15	-	84	46	86	-	79	54	90
Wirral	20	48	88	57	90	52	83	62	93

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Local Authority	number looked after in year 2 old enough to sit Key Stage 1 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 2 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test							
		reading task		writing task		spelling test		mathematics task/test	
		looked after	all children <sup>2,3</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>90</b>
Shire Counties									
North Yorkshire	15	-	88	46	90	46	83	77	93
Unitary Authorities									
East Riding Of Yorkshire	5	-	87	-	89	-	82	-	92
Kingston Upon Hull	30	28	81	59	83	48	74	79	89
North East Lincolnshire	10	-	83	-	84	-	76	-	89
North Lincolnshire	10	55	86	64	88	64	82	-	91
York	-	-	86	0	88	0	81	-	90
Metropolitan Districts									
Barnsley	20	53	81	58	82	42	75	58	88
Bradford	30	47	82	47	85	33	79	43	88
Calderdale	-	-	86	-	88	-	83	-	92
Doncaster	15	54	85	62	85	54	80	77	90
Kirklees	5	-	85	-	86	-	80	-	90
Leeds	60	48	83	43	85	38	79	59	90
Rotherham	15	-	83	69	86	-	77	62	91
Sheffield	20	-	79	40	80	40	73	45	86
Wakefield	20	32	85	47	87	42	81	58	90
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>91</b>
Shire Counties									
Derbyshire	25	67	88	67	89	54	82	75	92
Leicestershire	5	0	85	-	88	-	79	-	92
Lincolnshire	15	-	86	-	89	-	79	-	91
Northamptonshire	25	61	86	61	88	52	80	61	92
Nottinghamshire	25	84	85	84	87	80	79	92	92
Unitary Authorities									
Derby	10	67	83	67	85	58	79	67	89
Leicester	20	47	76	58	79	42	70	53	86
Nottingham	20	50	73	50	77	44	68	44	83
Rutland	0	0	82	0	84	0	76	0	94

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Local Authority	number looked after in year 2 old enough to sit Key Stage 1 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 2 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test							
		reading task		writing task		spelling test		mathematics task/test	
		looked after	all children <sup>2,3</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>89</b>
Shire Counties									
Shropshire	-	-	86	-	89	-	80	-	92
Staffordshire	25	57	87	57	89	43	81	74	92
Warwickshire	10	-	86	-	88	-	79	-	91
Worcestershire	15	47	85	-	88	41	79	-	91
Unitary Authorities									
Herefordshire	10	-	85	-	88	-	78	-	89
Stoke-On-Trent	15	60	80	67	82	60	73	87	87
Telford & Wrekin	10	-	85	-	88	-	79	-	92
Metropolitan Districts									
Birmingham	65	49	80	57	83	45	74	58	87
Coventry	20	37	82	37	85	-	75	53	89
Dudley	15	47	83	71	86	47	78	41	90
Sandwell	20	48	77	48	78	29	69	52	85
Solihull	10	-	88	-	89	-	83	-	92
Walsall	15	64	83	57	83	57	76	57	89
Wolverhampton	10	-	81	-	83	-	76	-	88
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>91</b>
Shire Counties									
Bedfordshire	15	50	87	44	89	44	80	44	93
Cambridgeshire	10	50	85	50	86	-	78	67	90
Essex	45	30	86	41	87	34	78	50	91
Hertfordshire	30	87	87	80	86	53	80	87	92
Norfolk	25	54	84	62	86	50	78	62	92
Suffolk	25	56	86	64	88	56	78	68	92
Unitary Authorities									
Luton	15	75	81	69	83	63	73	75	88
Peterborough	15	-	82	54	85	-	77	46	90
Southend	10	-	85	-	89	-	79	-	91
Thurrock	-	-	78	-	81	-	70	-	90

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		reading task		writing task		spelling test		mathematics task/test	
		looked after	all children <sup>2,3</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>89</b>
Inner London									
Camden	5	-	78	-	80	-	70	-	87
City of London	0	0	83	0	93	0	77	0	90
Greenwich	15	-	75	-	77	-	67	53	84
Hackney	15	63	72	56	74	44	63	56	81
Hammersmith & Fulham	5	-	80	-	83	-	75	-	86
Islington	5	-	74	-	78	-	66	-	83
Kensington & Chelsea	10	-	79	-	80	-	73	-	89
Lambeth	25	71	78	67	79	67	70	71	85
Lewisham	15	-	79	-	80	-	70	-	86
Southwark	25	43	78	48	77	43	68	57	86
Tower Hamlets	10	0	78	-	79	-	72	-	87
Wandsworth	10	-	81	-	82	-	73	-	87
Westminster	10	-	83	-	84	-	76	-	87
Outer London									
Barking & Dagenham	-	-	84	-	87	-	74	-	91
Barnet	10	-	85	-	87	-	76	-	91
Bexley	-	-	85	-	88	-	76	-	89
Brent	10	83	84	83	86	75	78	92	90
Bromley	20	44	87	44	86	44	80	50	91
Croydon	5	-	84	-	86	-	75	-	90
Ealing	10	64	81	91	81	91	74	91	88
Enfield	5	-	80	-	85	-	71	-	89
Haringey	5	-	76	-	77	-	67	-	85
Harrow	-	-	87	-	88	-	80	-	92
Havering	-	-	88	-	91	-	82	-	93
Hillingdon	15	56	85	56	88	50	79	63	93
Hounslow	10	-	81	-	82	-	72	-	88
Kingston Upon Thames	-	0	87	0	87	0	81	0	91
Merton	-	-	85	-	86	-	79	-	91
Newham	15	43	77	57	79	50	72	71	88
Redbridge	-	-	83	-	85	-	75	-	90
Richmond Upon Thames	-	-	89	-	89	-	84	-	94
Sutton	5	-	83	-	85	-	75	-	90
Waltham Forest	10	-	82	-	82	-	72	-	89

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		reading task		writing task		spelling test		mathematics task/test	
		looked after	all children <sup>2,3</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>91</b>
Shire Counties									
Buckinghamshire	10	75	87	92	88	58	81	83	93
East Sussex	15	46	82	-	84	-	75	62	89
Hampshire	40	56	87	64	89	46	79	62	92
Kent	45	27	81	38	83	29	74	40	89
Oxfordshire	15	35	84	41	86	-	77	41	91
Surrey	15	71	89	50	90	43	82	57	93
West Sussex	20	-	86	41	89	-	78	36	92
Unitary Authorities									
Bracknell Forest	-	0	86	0	90	0	83	0	93
Brighton & Hove	15	60	82	60	85	60	77	60	91
Isle Of Wight	-	-	84	-	88	-	77	-	92
Medway Towns	5	0	82	-	86	-	76	-	91
Milton Keynes	5	-	81	-	84	-	72	-	89
Portsmouth	5	-	82	-	85	-	75	-	92
Reading	-	-	80	-	81	-	74	-	88
Slough	10	-	86	-	89	-	83	-	91
Southampton	15	50	82	50	85	50	75	50	89
West Berkshire	-	-	84	-	88	-	77	-	92
Windsor & Maidenhead	-	0	87	-	88	-	82	-	93
Wokingham	-	0	87	0	92	0	80	0	93
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>91</b>
Shire Counties									
Cornwall	15	-	83	-	82	-	75	38	89
Devon	25	-	84	50	87	33	76	50	91
Dorset	-	0	85	0	87	0	79	0	92
Gloucestershire	15	57	89	64	91	64	83	64	93
Isle of Scilly	0	0	86	0	86	0	76	0	86
Somerset	10	-	85	-	88	-	76	-	91
Wiltshire	10	-	84	-	86	-	75	-	89
Unitary Authorities									
Bath & North East Somerset	5	-	89	-	89	-	81	-	93
Bournemouth	5	-	86	-	88	-	79	-	92
Bristol	15	69	82	50	82	56	74	69	88
North Somerset	-	-	86	-	86	-	78	-	91
Plymouth	15	47	82	53	83	47	73	53	89
Poole	5	-	86	-	89	-	79	-	92
South Gloucestershire	-	-	87	-	88	0	81	-	91
Swindon	10	-	83	-	86	0	77	-	90
Torbay	-	0	86	0	87	0	79	0	91

<sup>1</sup> target level for age group

<sup>2</sup> source: DFES statistical first release: 'National curriculum assessments of 7, 11 and 14 year olds by Local Education Authority, 2002'

<sup>3</sup> the 'all children' Key stage 1 Reading task figure is derived by DFES from an average of children attaining level 2 or above in the reading task and pupils attaining level 3 or above in the reading comprehension test, therefore cannot be directly compared with the reading task or reading comprehension test figures for looked-after children

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Local Authority	number looked after in Year 6 old enough to sit Key Stage 2 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 4 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>34.6</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>51.7</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>86</b>
Shire Counties							
Durham	10	-	74	-	75	-	87
Northumberland	20	-	72	-	70	45	86
Unitary Authorities							
Darlington	5	0	73	0	76	0	86
Hartlepool	-	-	70	-	72	-	87
Middlesbrough	15	40	70	40	70	73	85
Redcar & Cleveland	10	-	71	-	72	-	86
Stockton On Tees	10	-	74	-	75	-	88
Metropolitan Districts							
Gateshead	15	-	74	40	76	67	88
Newcastle Upon Tyne	20	-	66	0	67	29	82
North Tyneside	10	-	77	-	74	-	86
South Tyneside	10	-	73	-	75	-	84
Sunderland	30	33	71	37	73	60	86
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>87</b>
Shire Counties							
Cheshire	20	-	80	29	79	38	90
Cumbria	30	45	77	48	75	65	89
Lancashire	60	37	75	47	76	61	87
Unitary Authorities							
Blackburn With Darwen	15	40	72	40	71	53	83
Blackpool	10	-	67	-	70	-	82
Halton	5	-	77	-	75	-	88
Warrington	-	-	80	-	79	-	92
Metropolitan Districts							
Bolton	15	56	75	63	74	69	86
Bury	10	-	79	-	80	-	90
Knowsley	15	-	71	41	72	47	87
Liverpool	70	40	69	33	69	57	83
Manchester	75	36	65	41	67	59	80
Oldham	20	-	72	-	73	30	84
Rochdale	10	-	72	-	72	-	84
Salford	25	52	72	44	72	63	83
Sefton	20	-	79	37	77	53	89
St Helens	15	-	77	46	78	54	89
Stockport	20	35	79	-	76	65	89
Tameside	20	39	74	44	73	67	87
Trafford	15	46	81	46	80	46	89
Wigan	25	28	76	40	78	56	88
Wirral	20	52	77	43	74	52	87

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		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>85</b>
Shire Counties							
North Yorkshire	20	36	79	41	76	55	87
Unitary Authorities							
East Riding Of Yorkshire	15	46	78	54	75	69	89
Kingston Upon Hull	40	32	65	46	69	59	85
North East Lincolnshire	10	-	72	-	72	50	88
North Lincolnshire	10	-	74	-	73	-	87
York	-	0	78	0	76	-	86
Metropolitan Districts							
Barnsley	15	-	65	-	63	46	79
Bradford	35	26	67	20	66	37	79
Calderdale	-	-	75	-	76	-	89
Doncaster	25	29	70	29	70	54	85
Kirklees	10	-	72	-	71	58	85
Leeds	75	29	74	29	74	51	88
Rotherham	20	40	68	40	71	55	84
Sheffield	25	31	68	38	69	69	83
Wakefield	20	41	73	45	74	68	86
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>86</b>
Shire Counties							
Derbyshire	25	33	76	37	75	41	87
Leicestershire	10	-	78	-	75	58	89
Lincolnshire	20	-	76	-	74	-	86
Northamptonshire	20	-	76	27	72	41	87
Nottinghamshire	20	-	76	39	75	39	87
Unitary Authorities							
Derby	25	32	69	36	70	48	83
Leicester	30	30	64	-	65	40	81
Nottingham	25	54	62	58	63	85	81
Rutland	0	0	84	0	81	0	90

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		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>85</b>
Shire Counties							
Shropshire	5	0	79	-	76	-	90
Staffordshire	20	40	76	35	75	50	88
Warwickshire	10	58	75	-	75	50	88
Worcestershire	30	32	75	29	71	39	86
Unitary Authorities							
Herefordshire	15	43	76	-	74	71	88
Stoke-On-Trent	20	-	70	30	71	65	86
Telford & Wrekin	15	-	69	46	70	69	85
Metropolitan Districts							
Birmingham	90	35	70	33	69	56	84
Coventry	25	-	72	25	71	42	85
Dudley	20	41	72	32	70	50	85
Sandwell	25	25	63	-	64	33	78
Solihull	10	-	81	-	79	-	92
Walsall	30	28	68	28	68	38	80
Wolverhampton	25	29	68	25	67	33	83
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>87</b>
Shire Counties							
Bedfordshire	25	36	74	56	70	56	86
Cambridgeshire	15	53	77	47	75	60	87
Essex	60	34	76	31	74	43	87
Hertfordshire	40	40	80	50	78	50	90
Norfolk	30	44	73	38	69	63	85
Suffolk	30	43	74	32	69	46	85
Unitary Authorities							
Luton	20	58	70	47	67	68	83
Peterborough	25	33	72	58	72	71	85
Southend	10	-	75	-	72	-	86
Thurrock	15	-	68	-	65	-	84

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Local Authority	number looked after in Year 6 old enough to sit Key Stage 2 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 4 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>85</b>
Inner London							
Camden	10	67	72	58	70	67	85
City of London	0	0	93	0	89	0	100
Greenwich	25	22	68	22	66	41	81
Hackney	15	-	65	-	65	-	77
Hammersmith & Fulham	20	-	74	-	76	50	87
Islington	20	43	68	33	67	57	82
Kensington & Chelsea	5	-	80	-	79	-	92
Lambeth	30	46	68	43	67	61	81
Lewisham	25	27	69	-	66	46	83
Southwark	35	43	65	30	62	49	76
Tower Hamlets	15	-	70	-	67	35	82
Wandsworth	20	33	73	33	72	62	82
Westminster	10	-	77	-	77	-	88
Outer London							
Barking & Dagenham	-	-	69	-	72	-	87
Barnet	15	47	81	47	79	67	89
Bexley	10	-	75	-	72	-	84
Brent	15	-	74	-	75	85	84
Bromley	10	-	80	-	77	-	88
Croydon	15	-	74	-	71	-	84
Ealing	20	44	74	39	74	67	86
Enfield	5	-	73	-	74	-	85
Haringey	20	33	66	-	66	50	77
Harrow	10	-	80	-	79	-	90
Havering	10	-	80	-	78	-	90
Hillingdon	10	-	78	-	77	-	90
Hounslow	10	-	71	-	71	73	85
Kingston Upon Thames	-	-	80	-	77	-	88
Merton	10	-	73	-	68	-	85
Newham	25	-	63	24	68	32	80
Redbridge	5	-	78	-	75	-	88
Richmond Upon Thames	5	-	84	-	83	-	94
Sutton	15	46	81	54	77	69	90
Waltham Forest	15	-	66	0	65	-	80

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**Table 3 Eligibility and performance of looked-after children in Key Stage 2 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in Year 6 old enough to sit Key Stage 2 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 4 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>87</b>
Shire Counties							
Buckinghamshire	15	-	79	-	76	62	87
East Sussex	30	31	74	38	72	48	86
Hampshire	50	35	78	22	75	41	89
Kent	85	35	73	30	71	52	84
Oxfordshire	30	32	76	29	73	54	87
Surrey	45	43	81	51	78	60	91
West Sussex	40	30	77	28	73	40	89
Unitary Authorities							
Bracknell Forest	-	-	80	-	77	-	92
Brighton & Hove	20	-	73	35	72	55	85
Isle Of Wight	10	-	73	-	71	-	91
Medway Towns	15	-	72	-	69	-	83
Milton Keynes	15	35	70	35	66	65	84
Portsmouth	10	-	70	-	69	-	84
Reading	5	-	68	-	67	-	84
Slough	10	-	73	-	71	-	86
Southampton	25	39	67	30	69	65	86
West Berkshire	10	-	78	-	74	-	88
Windsor & Maidenhead	-	-	80	-	80	-	91
Wokingham	-	0	82	0	78	-	91
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>87</b>
Shire Counties							
Cornwall	35	38	74	35	71	56	86
Devon	30	56	75	34	73	44	87
Dorset	10	-	78	-	72	-	89
Gloucestershire	20	50	79	-	76	65	90
Isle of Scilly	0	0	88	0	88	0	94
Somerset	15	-	74	-	72	47	88
Wiltshire	10	-	74	-	73	-	86
Unitary Authorities							
Bath & North East Somerset	5	-	79	-	78	-	89
Bournemouth	10	50	75	-	72	67	86
Bristol	35	26	66	26	66	41	81
North Somerset	5	-	79	-	75	-	90
Plymouth	25	38	71	42	72	46	84
Poole	10	-	73	-	67	-	85
South Gloucestershire	5	-	77	-	76	-	89
Swindon	5	-	73	-	70	-	86
Torbay	10	-	79	-	76	-	89

<sup>1</sup> target level for age group

<sup>2</sup> source: DFES statistical first release 'National curriculum assessments of 7, 11 and 14 year olds by Local Education Authority, 2002'

**Table 4 Eligibility and performance of looked after children in Key Stage 3 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in Year 9 old enough to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 5 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>63</b>
Shire Counties							
Durham	40	-	63	26	65	17	63
Northumberland	20	32	72	32	71	32	70
Unitary Authorities							
Darlington	-	-	63	-	64	-	67
Hartlepool	-	0	67	0	62	0	62
Middlesbrough	15	-	61	-	55	-	55
Redcar & Cleveland	5	-	66	-	67	-	65
Stockton On Tees	10	0	69	0	64	0	65
Metropolitan Districts							
Gateshead	20	0	64	-	67	0	69
Newcastle Upon Tyne	25	-	58	-	57	-	55
North Tyneside	20	-	66	37	68	-	66
South Tyneside	20	-	64	-	63	-	61
Sunderland	35	24	61	26	61	29	61
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>65</b>
Shire Counties							
Cheshire	35	32	74	30	74	32	75
Cumbria	35	25	70	22	70	31	73
Lancashire	95	25	70	16	70	20	69
Unitary Authorities							
Blackburn With Darwen	15	-	57	-	59	-	55
Blackpool	10	-	59	-	60	-	58
Halton	10	-	61	-	61	-	61
Warrington	10	-	73	-	73	-	72
Metropolitan Districts							
Bolton	15	-	65	-	66	-	65
Bury	20	-	74	-	72	-	70
Knowsley	15	-	52	0	53	-	50
Liverpool	75	25	63	25	57	26	56
Manchester	70	15	52	17	48	18	47
Oldham	20	36	60	32	59	32	56
Rochdale	15	-	59	-	63	-	59
Salford	45	14	53	28	59	-	55
Sefton	20	32	70	-	72	-	70
St Helens	15	-	66	-	67	-	67
Stockport	20	36	75	36	74	36	70
Tameside	15	-	62	-	61	35	61
Trafford	10	-	74	-	75	-	75
Wigan	25	33	71	33	68	25	69
Wirral	25	26	71	26	67	26	66

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**Table 4 Eligibility and performance of looked after children in Key Stage 3 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in Year 9 old enough to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 5 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>64</b>
Shire Counties							
North Yorkshire	20	35	76	-	77	30	78
Unitary Authorities							
East Riding Of Yorkshire	10	-	73	-	72	-	73
Kingston Upon Hull	40	21	52	24	52	24	49
North East Lincolnshire	15	-	57	-	62	-	59
North Lincolnshire	15	-	64	-	66	-	65
York	15	-	69	-	73	-	72
Metropolitan Districts							
Barnsley	15	-	58	-	58	-	58
Bradford	45	-	58	-	55	-	54
Calderdale	10	-	65	0	65	-	66
Doncaster	35	18	59	-	61	18	61
Kirklees	15	-	65	-	64	-	64
Leeds	95	23	65	19	64	18	63
Rotherham	25	-	62	-	60	-	60
Sheffield	40	17	61	-	61	-	60
Wakefield	30	26	61	26	64	29	65
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>68</b>
Shire Counties							
Derbyshire	40	26	67	16	71	21	71
Leicestershire	15	-	75	-	76	35	79
Lincolnshire	25	0	69	-	71	-	72
Northamptonshire	45	16	64	19	69	14	70
Nottinghamshire	35	44	63	38	66	32	66
Unitary Authorities							
Derby	30	32	62	-	64	29	61
Leicester	35	-	55	17	57	-	54
Nottingham	25	43	42	30	48	-	45
Rutland	0	0	71	0	78	0	80

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**Table 4 Eligibility and performance of looked after children in Key Stage 3 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in Year 9 old enough to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 5 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>65</b>
Shire Counties							
Shropshire	15	-	71	-	73	-	77
Staffordshire	35	-	69	-	70	20	71
Warwickshire	20	-	72	-	72	-	72
Worcestershire	30	-	66	-	70	-	71
Unitary Authorities							
Herefordshire	10	-	75	-	74	-	74
Stoke-On-Trent	30	20	60	27	56	23	56
Telford & Wrekin	15	-	68	-	67	-	68
Metropolitan Districts							
Birmingham	120	24	60	18	58	25	56
Coventry	30	28	61	24	63	31	61
Dudley	15	-	65	-	66	-	67
Sandwell	25	-	57	29	52	-	51
Solihull	10	-	72	-	73	-	71
Walsall	20	-	65	-	60	-	59
Wolverhampton	30	32	60	19	59	23	56
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>70</b>
Shire Counties							
Bedfordshire	20	-	70	-	70	-	70
Cambridgeshire	25	-	69	-	73	24	74
Essex	70	24	68	28	70	19	70
Hertfordshire	55	49	72	51	73	58	74
Norfolk	40	17	64	19	70	17	69
Suffolk	50	12	68	12	71	13	72
Unitary Authorities							
Luton	20	-	59	-	58	-	55
Peterborough	25	-	60	-	65	25	63
Southend	20	-	68	-	71	-	69
Thurrock	10	-	58	-	64	-	60

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Local Authority	number looked after in Year 9 old enough to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 5 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>61</b>
Inner London							
Camden	20	-	67	30	66	35	66
City of London	0	0	-	0	-	0	-
Greenwich	20	-	53	-	54	-	51
Hackney	30	-	44	-	48	-	42
Hammersmith & Fulham	30	-	58	19	58	-	58
Islington	40	21	50	26	50	24	46
Kensington & Chelsea	15	-	70	54	67	46	69
Lambeth	50	12	57	17	55	17	55
Lewisham	40	18	58	-	53	-	53
Southwark	40	29	49	27	44	24	43
Tower Hamlets	25	-	51	-	49	26	43
Wandsworth	15	-	64	-	60	-	58
Westminster	15	-	61	-	60	-	55
Outer London							
Barking & Dagenham	10	-	57	-	58	-	57
Barnet	25	-	71	-	72	-	71
Bexley	10	-	68	-	69	-	67
Brent	15	-	60	-	63	-	57
Bromley	25	29	76	33	72	-	74
Croydon	35	21	64	26	64	21	62
Ealing	30	28	59	21	61	21	60
Enfield	15	-	61	-	65	-	60
Haringey	30	-	56	-	51	-	48
Harrow	10	-	75	-	73	-	72
Havering	10	-	74	-	75	-	74
Hillingdon	30	28	67	28	64	28	64
Hounslow	20	-	63	-	64	0	62
Kingston Upon Thames	-	0	74	0	78	0	76
Merton	15	35	62	41	62	-	58
Newham	25	-	55	27	52	-	49
Redbridge	15	-	75	-	74	-	73
Richmond Upon Thames	10	-	73	-	70	0	70
Sutton	10	-	80	50	78	58	77
Waltham Forest	30	-	58	-	57	0	57

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**Table 4 Eligibility and performance of looked after children in Key Stage 3 tasks and tests, compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in Year 9 old enough to sit Key Stage 3 tasks and tests	percentage attaining level 5 <sup>1</sup> or above in each task or test					
		English		Mathematics		Science	
		looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>2</sup>
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>63</b>
Shire Counties							
Buckinghamshire	20	-	76	-	77	-	77
East Sussex	25	-	68	26	69	26	67
Hampshire	55	32	71	25	72	25	73
Kent	110	23	68	21	69	23	70
Oxfordshire	35	-	65	-	71	-	71
Surrey	55	14	74	21	75	18	75
West Sussex	60	34	70	22	70	34	70
Unitary Authorities							
Bracknell Forest	-	-	68	-	70	-	71
Brighton & Hove	20	-	64	-	65	-	62
Isle Of Wight	15	-	57	50	64	-	63
Medway Towns	15	-	66	-	66	-	63
Milton Keynes	20	-	66	-	65	33	64
Portsmouth	10	-	58	-	60	-	58
Reading	15	-	66	0	61	0	54
Slough	10	-	72	-	67	-	64
Southampton	30	30	59	40	60	37	60
West Berkshire	5	-	74	-	75	-	73
Windsor & Maidenhead	5	-	77	-	77	-	77
Wokingham	10	-	76	-	78	-	78
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>70</b>
Shire Counties							
Cornwall	35	19	69	24	70	16	72
Devon	45	17	71	22	71	22	69
Dorset	20	65	72	55	73	70	76
Gloucestershire	45	19	71	21	74	23	74
Isle of Scilly	-	-	90	-	97	-	97
Somerset	25	37	70	30	71	26	72
Wiltshire	20	47	69	-	73	42	73
Unitary Authorities							
Bath & North East Somerset	10	-	69	0	73	-	73
Bournemouth	5	-	71	-	69	-	71
Bristol	30	-	52	-	53	-	51
North Somerset	10	-	70	-	71	-	70
Plymouth	25	37	61	30	66	30	68
Poole	15	38	73	44	74	38	75
South Gloucestershire	10	-	69	-	72	-	71
Swindon	10	-	65	-	66	-	65
Torbay	15	57	71	-	69	50	70

<sup>1</sup> target level for age group

<sup>2</sup> source: DfES statistical first release 'National curriculum assessments of 7, 11 and 14 year olds by Local Education Authority, 2002'

**Table 5 GCSE (or equivalent) performance of looked-after children in year 11 compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 11 old enough to sit GCSE or GNVQ exams	% who sat one of these exams	percentage obtaining at least:					
			1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	
			looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>53.2</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>44</b>
Shire Counties								
Durham#	40	82	51	93	28	87	-	41
Northumberland#	30	57	57	95	50	92	-	51
Unitary Authorities								
Darlington#	10	55	55	96	55	90	0	49
Hartlepool#	-	-	-	94	-	89	0	42
Middlesbrough#	10	-	-	90	-	83	0	36
Redcar & Cleveland#	10	-	-	94	-	89	0	49
Stockton On Tees#	10	-	-	95	-	90	-	46
Metropolitan Districts								
Gateshead#	20	50	50	93	36	88	-	52
Newcastle Upon Tyne#	20	39	33	88	-	80	-	38
North Tyneside#	20	56	50	95	39	92	-	48
South Tyneside#	20	72	72	95	50	90	-	42
Sunderland#	35	62	59	95	44	89	-	42
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>48</b>
Shire Counties								
Cheshire#	25	92	64	97	52	94	-	58
Cumbria#	40	52	52	95	38	90	-	53
Lancashire#	75	49	49	96	38	92	10	52
Unitary Authorities								
Blackburn With Darwen#	15	47	47	94	-	90	-	42
Blackpool#	10	-	-	95	-	87	-	36
Halton#	10	-	-	95	-	89	0	43
Warrington#	15	100	-	96	-	92	-	52
Metropolitan Districts								
Bolton#	15	50	50	97	-	92	-	47
Bury#	10	-	-	98	-	95	0	56
Knowsley#	15	38	38	89	-	78	0	30
Liverpool#	60	61	53	92	34	83	10	39
Manchester#	70	49	43	87	38	78	8	33
Oldham#	20	60	60	95	40	89	-	43
Rochdale#	10	58	58	93	-	88	0	40
Salford#	30	68	68	94	58	88	-	36
Sefton#	25	67	67	96	48	92	-	53
St Helens#	15	67	67	94	53	89	-	46
Stockport#	30	48	48	94	31	90	0	53
Tameside#	15	53	53	94	47	89	-	43
Trafford#	10	-	-	97	-	93	0	60
Wigan#	20	53	53	96	32	91	-	49
Wirral#	25	72	72	95	60	89	-	53

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**Table 5 GCSE (or equivalent) performance of looked-after children in year 11 compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 11 old enough to sit GCSE or GNVQ exams	% who sat one of these exams	percentage obtaining at least:					
			1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	
			looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>44</b>
Shire Counties								
North Yorkshire#	15	56	50	96	38	92	-	60
Unitary Authorities								
East Riding Of Yorkshire#	10	-	-	95	-	91	-	50
Kingston Upon Hull#	35	67	64	90	30	79	-	29
North East Lincolnshire#	30	68	61	95	43	88	-	38
North Lincolnshire#	10	73	73	97	-	92	0	43
York#	10	-	-	96	-	91	-	56
Metropolitan Districts								
Barnsley#	15	50	50	93	-	84	0	35
Bradford#	45	47	47	93	26	85	0	37
Calderdale#	10	-	-	96	-	89	-	50
Doncaster#	25	54	50	93	33	87	-	40
Kirklees#	15	62	62	96	-	91	-	48
Leeds#	70	61	55	92	32	85	-	42
Rotherham#	30	46	43	94	39	87	-	42
Sheffield#	45	55	52	91	39	85	-	41
Wakefield#	35	59	59	96	41	90	0	46
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>49</b>
Shire Counties								
Derbyshire#	50	52	50	96	38	91	13	53
Leicestershire#	20	60	60	96	40	92	-	53
Lincolnshire#	35	59	56	96	47	92	-	54
Northamptonshire#	40	45	43	94	33	89	-	51
Nottinghamshire#	25	75	75	95	50	90	-	47
Unitary Authorities								
Derby#	20	85	75	94	55	87	-	45
Leicester#	20	38	33	95	-	84	-	41
Nottingham#	30	61	55	89	32	76	-	31
Rutland#	0	0	0	99	0	97	0	61

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**Table 5 GCSE (or equivalent) performance of looked-after children in year 11 compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 11 old enough to sit GCSE or GNVQ exams	% who sat one of these exams	percentage obtaining at least:					
			1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	
			looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>48</b>
Shire Counties								
Shropshire#	20	72	67	97	50	93	-	58
Staffordshire#	40	88	35	96	23	92	-	50
Warwickshire#	30	61	57	95	46	91	-	52
Worcestershire#	45	74	50	94	37	88	-	52
Unitary Authorities								
Herefordshire#	15	53	53	96	-	91	0	56
Stoke-On-Trent#	25	70	70	94	67	88	-	39
Telford & Wrekin#	15	-	-	95	-	90	-	50
Metropolitan Districts								
Birmingham#	115	52	49	95	37	88	-	45
Coventry#	25	44	40	93	36	87	-	43
Dudley#	20	60	60	96	50	92	0	52
Sandwell#	20	67	48	92	29	84	-	34
Solihull#	15	50	50	96	43	91	-	58
Walsall#	15	92	92	95	85	86	-	42
Wolverhampton#	20	38	38	93	33	86	-	33
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>53</b>
Shire Counties								
Bedfordshire#	35	66	54	95	37	91	-	51
Cambridgeshire#	40	63	63	96	40	90	-	54
Essex#	80	56	52	96	38	91	9	54
Hertfordshire#	55	65	61	96	43	91	-	57
Norfolk#	60	56	54	95	37	89	10	50
Suffolk	45	63	59	96	48	92	15	57
Unitary Authorities								
Luton#	20	60	50	96	40	90	-	40
Peterborough#	25	56	52	92	-	86	0	43
Southend#	15	44	44	93	-	86	-	56
Thurrock#	20	39	33	95	-	90	0	47

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**Table 5 GCSE (or equivalent) performance of looked-after children in year 11 compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 11 old enough to sit GCSE or GNVQ exams	% who sat one of these exams	percentage obtaining at least:					
			1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	
			looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>48</b>
Inner London								
Camden#	25	48	44	94	-	90	-	48
City of London#	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenwich#	40	46	46	93	31	84	-	33
Hackney#	40	49	41	91	36	82	-	31
Hammersmith & Fulham#	70	52	45	97	29	91	9	50
Islington#	50	60	56	88	31	79	-	33
Kensington & Chelsea#	30	40	33	95	20	91	-	56
Lambeth#	80	59	59	96	41	87	13	40
Lewisham#	55	80	54	96	32	87	-	39
Southwark#	50	48	46	96	31	87	-	36
Tower Hamlets#	35	84	59	98	35	91	-	44
Wandsworth#	25	58	58	96	42	86	-	49
Westminster#	30	50	46	94	46	85	-	42
Outer London								
Barking & Dagenham#	15	67	67	93	60	89	-	42
Barnet	30	65	61	95	45	91	19	59
Bexley#	15	69	69	97	54	93	-	53
Brent#	25	75	71	96	25	90	-	50
Bromley#	25	40	40	96	28	93	-	60
Croydon#	95	54	47	96	15	90	8	49
Ealing#	50	51	51	99	37	91	-	50
Enfield#	35	64	61	96	42	91	0	46
Haringey#	35	61	56	92	39	79	-	35
Harrow#	15	93	93	97	64	91	0	59
Havering#	20	56	56	96	56	93	-	57
Hillingdon#	50	69	65	95	41	89	-	46
Hounslow#	25	35	35	96	-	89	0	50
Kingston Upon Thames#	15	64	64	92	-	88	-	60
Merton#	20	68	68	91	41	85	-	41
Newham#	35	58	48	99	39	94	-	42
Redbridge#	15	47	47	99	-	95	-	64
Richmond Upon Thames#	20	-	-	93	-	89	0	51
Sutton#	15	46	46	97	-	94	0	65
Waltham Forest#	30	22	-	95	0	91	0	44

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**Table 5 GCSE (or equivalent) performance of looked-after children in year 11 compared with all children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	number looked after in year 11 old enough to sit GCSE or GNVQ exams	% who sat one of these exams	percentage obtaining at least:					
			1 GCSE at grade A* to G or a GNVQ		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to G		5 GCSE's (or equivalent) at grade A* to C	
			looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>	looked after	all children <sup>1</sup>
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>
Shire Counties								
Buckinghamshire#	15	71	71	96	57	93	-	64
East Sussex#	30	50	50	95	29	89	-	51
Hampshire#	65	52	52	97	41	93	11	56
Kent#	110	56	56	96	32	91	6	54
Oxfordshire#	40	40	40	95	23	89	-	52
Surrey#	55	67	65	96	40	92	-	58
West Sussex#	65	54	46	95	30	90	10	54
Unitary Authorities								
Bracknell Forest#	5	-	-	96	-	94	0	46
Brighton & Hove#	30	43	43	94	23	87	-	46
Isle Of Wight#	10	-	-	93	-	88	-	44
Medway Towns#	20	44	33	96	-	93	-	49
Milton Keynes#	20	50	50	95	36	90	-	46
Portsmouth#	20	40	40	92	-	84	-	37
Reading#	5	-	-	90	-	79	0	44
Slough#	5	-	-	97	-	92	-	51
Southampton#	25	46	46	94	27	88	-	43
West Berkshire#	5	-	-	96	-	94	-	57
Windsor & Maidenhead#	-	-	-	96	-	93	-	56
Wokingham#	10	-	-	96	-	93	-	63
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>54</b>
Shire Counties								
Cornwall	45	74	74	97	57	92	23	54
Devon#	80	51	51	96	34	90	-	50
Dorset#	20	48	48	96	-	92	-	59
Gloucestershire#	40	74	67	97	45	93	-	61
Isle of Scilly#	-	0	0	100	0	100	0	63
Somerset#	30	93	93	97	53	93	-	55
Wiltshire#	20	74	74	96	42	91	-	57
Unitary Authorities								
Bath & North East Somerset#	15	54	54	95	-	91	-	58
Bournemouth#	15	76	76	95	59	89	-	54
Bristol#	30	57	50	89	43	80	-	31
North Somerset#	10	-	-	96	-	90	0	53
Plymouth#	35	56	56	95	31	90	-	51
Poole#	10	-	-	97	-	94	0	61
South Gloucestershire#	10	-	-	97	-	94	0	52
Swindon#	20	50	39	94	-	88	-	47
Torbay#	15	92	85	95	62	90	-	54

<sup>1</sup> source: DFES Statistical First Release January 2003 [www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/Sfr/s0377/index.html](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/statistics/DB/Sfr/s0377/index.html)  
2001/2001 - England. Issued January 2003.

# Figures for these councils have been suppressed in this table to maintain confidentiality as set out in the Technical Notes. However, since the denominators are greater than 10 the performance indicators are considered reliable and have therefore been included in the calculation of how many councils reached the PSA target (see paragraph 3.14)

**Table 6: Education and employment status at 30 September 2002 of looked-after children in Year 11 in 2001/2002 school year, compared with all children**

Local authority	Total number of looked after children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year	Total number of all children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year <sup>1</sup>	Position of children at 30 September 2002, shown as a percentage of total					
			In full-time education		In full/part time training or employment		Unemployment	
			looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>592,300</b>	<b>55.6</b>	<b>72.1</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>33,925</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8</b>
Shire Counties								
Durham	40	6,135	51	64	15	20	33	10
Northumberland	30	4,065	68	72	25	14	-	4
Unitary Authorities								
Darlington	10	1,230	64	65	-	20	-	5
Hartlepool	-	1,270	-	70	-	16	-	6
Middlesbrough	10	2,085	55	64	-	19	-	8
Redcar & Cleveland	10	2,090	-	67	-	19	-	7
Stockton On Tees	10	2,640	0	67	-	18	-	8
Metropolitan Districts								
Gateshead	20	2,435	36	67	36	16	27	8
Newcastle Upon Tyne	20	3,515	50	67	33	12	-	11
North Tyneside	20	2,400	33	73	39	13	-	8
South Tyneside	20	2,245	-	66	56	15	-	9
Sunderland	35	3,815	62	63	18	18	21	11
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>90,820</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>7</b>
Shire Counties								
Cheshire	25	8,970	40	75	32	13	28	5
Cumbria	40	6,230	40	69	33	21	26	4
Lancashire	75	15,135	53	68	23	20	23	6
Unitary Authorities								
Blackburn With Darwen	15	2,060	35	69	47	17	-	6
Blackpool	10	1,705	-	66	0	18	-	5
Halton	10	1,720	-	72	-	14	-	11
Warrington	15	2,585	62	73	-	15	-	7
Metropolitan Districts								
Bolton	15	3,900	-	68	-	20	50	6
Bury	10	2,515	-	73	-	16	-	6
Knowsley	15	2,005	44	61	-	22	-	13
Liverpool	60	6,140	55	67	18	16	27	10
Manchester	70	4,990	51	66	29	13	19	9
Oldham	20	3,475	55	70	-	19	-	6
Rochdale	10	2,700	-	66	-	21	-	7
Salford	30	2,615	58	62	19	23	23	8
Sefton	25	3,770	44	75	37	15	-	6
St Helens	15	2,305	40	70	-	19	40	7
Stockport	30	3,440	55	74	28	18	-	4
Tameside	15	3,025	67	67	-	18	-	8
Trafford	10	3,005	-	78	-	12	-	6
Wigan	20	4,175	-	67	32	20	47	7
Wirral	25	4,360	60	73	-	17	-	6

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			In full-time education		In full/part time training or employment		Unemployment	
			looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>63,100</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>
Shire Counties								
North Yorkshire	15	7,230	56	73	-	15	-	4
Unitary Authorities								
East Riding Of Yorkshire	10	4,150	-	74	0	18	-	4
Kingston Upon Hull	35	3,300	45	60	21	22	33	10
North East Lincolnshire	30	2,335	86	67	0	20	-	7
North Lincolnshire	10	2,075	-	73	-	18	-	5
York	10	1,810	-	71	-	19	-	6
Metropolitan Districts								
Barnsley	15	2,615	38	62	-	23	44	8
Bradford	45	6,105	26	65	28	16	47	8
Calderdale	10	2,540	-	72	-	17	-	6
Doncaster	25	3,905	54	63	-	21	25	8
Kirklees	15	4,815	-	69	-	21	69	4
Leeds	70	8,595	49	68	21	18	30	7
Rotherham	30	3,700	32	66	39	20	29	8
Sheffield	45	5,755	43	66	30	19	27	9
Wakefield	35	4,160	50	63	26	19	24	11
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>51,050</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>
Shire Counties								
Derbyshire	50	8,095	60	69	29	18	-	6
Leicestershire	20	7,435	40	74	40	15	-	5
Lincolnshire	35	7,995	-	72	-	18	85	5
Northamptonshire	40	8,150	58	67	-	15	35	6
Nottinghamshire	25	9,345	46	72	42	19	-	4
Unitary Authorities								
Derby	20	3,080	75	70	-	16	-	8
Leicester	20	3,680	33	74	33	10	33	9
Nottingham	30	2,840	48	70	29	15	23	7
Rutland	0	440	0	78	0	15	0	1

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**Table 6: Education and employment status at 30 September 2002 of looked-after children in Year 11 in 2001/2002 school year, compared with all children**

Local authority	Total number of looked after children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year	Total number of all children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year <sup>1</sup>	Position of children at 30 September 2002, shown as a percentage of total					
			In full-time education		In full/part time training or employment		Unemployment	
			looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>68,295</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6</b>
Shire Counties								
Shropshire	20	3,305	78	73	-	18	0	2
Staffordshire	40	10,380	35	73	18	19	48	4
Warwickshire	30	6,315	64	74	21	18	-	4
Worcestershire	45	6,110	59	74	22	15	20	5
Unitary Authorities								
Herefordshire	15	1,880	47	67	40	20	-	5
Stoke-On-Trent	25	2,935	37	61	37	22	26	10
Telford & Wrekin	15	2,225	46	66	-	23	-	4
Metropolitan Districts								
Birmingham	115	12,535	61	73	14	13	25	6
Coventry	25	4,045	80	72	-	18	-	5
Dudley	20	4,280	60	66	-	19	-	8
Sandwell	20	3,895	52	63	-	19	-	8
Solihull	15	3,165	43	71	50	15	-	6
Walsall	15	3,945	46	68	-	16	-	8
Wolverhampton	20	3,280	48	65	-	15	43	9
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>64,090</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>5</b>
Shire Counties								
Bedfordshire	35	5,120	46	77	29	12	26	5
Cambridgeshire	40	5,720	73	75	15	16	-	4
Essex	80	15,905	51	74	29	16	20	6
Hertfordshire	55	12,820	56	77	19	11	26	4
Norfolk	60	8,650	64	69	15	18	20	7
Suffolk	45	7,520	54	72	-	15	41	6
Unitary Authorities								
Luton	20	2,430	60	78	0	8	40	7
Peterborough	25	2,250	-	66	52	16	36	7
Southend	15	2,085	50	76	-	13	-	5
Thurrock	20	1,595	50	75	-	14	-	8

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Local authority	Total number of looked after children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year	Total number of all children in year 11 in 2001/2002 school year <sup>1</sup>	Position of children at 30 September 2002, shown as a percentage of total					
			In full-time education		In full/part time training or employment		Unemployment	
			looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7</b>
Inner London								
Camden	25	1,425	81	81	-	6	0	6
City of London	-	185	-	100	0	0	0	0
Greenwich	40	2,585	56	74	23	11	21	8
Hackney	40	1,600	28	74	0	6	72	7
Hammersmith & Fulham	70	1,250	86	75	-	5	13	9
Islington	50	1,450	58	70	13	11	29	10
Kensington & Chelsea	30	640	63	72	-	4	20	6
Lambeth	80	1,250	64	67	13	6	24	8
Lewisham	55	2,345	68	81	-	7	25	5
Southwark	50	2,770	56	71	25	8	19	9
Tower Hamlets	35	2,830	27	67	30	7	43	9
Wandsworth	25	1,850	58	79	-	7	27	7
Westminster	30	1,310	64	78	21	7	-	6
Outer London								
Barking & Dagenham	15	1,895	67	62	0	10	-	10
Barnet	30	3,795	52	82	19	5	29	4
Bexley	15	2,980	-	74	-	14	-	6
Brent	25	2,360	63	85	25	3	-	5
Bromley	25	3,435	64	82	-	10	24	4
Croydon	95	3,520	66	77	14	9	20	7
Ealing	50	3,095	53	77	31	5	16	8
Enfield	35	3,530	76	79	-	7	-	5
Haringey	35	2,320	50	74	-	4	36	10
Harrow	15	2,075	71	84	-	6	-	4
Havering	20	2,840	72	74	0	13	-	6
Hillingdon	50	2,900	76	73	-	10	14	9
Hounslow	25	2,280	61	79	-	5	-	8
Kingston Upon Thames	15	1,400	57	82	-	9	-	3
Merton	20	1,630	64	76	32	12	-	5
Newham	35	3,370	67	75	-	5	18	10
Redbridge	15	3,280	73	84	-	4	-	3
Richmond Upon Thames	20	1,895	61	80	-	7	-	5
Sutton	15	2,330	69	83	-	9	-	4
Waltham Forest	30	2,585	75	72	-	7	-	8

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			In full-time education		In full/part time training or employment		Unemployment	
			looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>	looked after	All children <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>89,475</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>
Shire Counties								
Buckinghamshire	15	5,760	64	79	-	12	0	3
East Sussex	30	4,815	64	77	-	12	-	4
Hampshire	65	14,375	76	76	-	13	17	4
Kent	110	16,695	62	76	15	11	23	5
Oxfordshire	40	6,525	63	71	20	19	18	3
Surrey	55	9,940	54	80	25	12	21	3
West Sussex	65	8,095	49	78	37	11	13	4
Unitary Authorities								
Bracknell Forest	5	1,025	-	76	-	15	0	3
Brighton & Hove	30	2,530	63	78	-	11	23	6
Isle Of Wight	10	1,635	-	77	0	12	-	4
Medway Towns	20	3,350	56	72	-	14	-	7
Milton Keynes	20	2,510	64	70	-	15	-	7
Portsmouth	20	2,050	60	65	-	14	35	11
Reading	5	1,095	-	71	-	13	-	7
Slough	5	1,245	-	80	-	10	0	3
Southampton	25	2,450	77	67	-	16	-	8
West Berkshire	5	1,955	-	75	-	17	-	4
Windsor & Maidenhead	-	1,605	-	79	-	12	0	3
Wokingham	10	1,830	-	78	-	11	-	3
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>56,570</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4</b>
Shire Counties								
Cornwall	45	6,315	60	75	26	12	15	4
Devon	80	8,625	57	71	18	17	25	5
Dorset	20	4,010	57	79	-	10	29	3
Gloucestershire	40	6,540	67	73	-	17	21	3
Isle of Scilly	-	30	-	60	0	0	0	0
Somerset	30	5,530	63	71	-	17	27	4
Wiltshire	20	4,225	53	76	-	14	-	3
Unitary Authorities								
Bath & North East Somers	15	2,050	62	80	-	14	-	3
Bournemouth	15	1,660	47	79	35	11	-	4
Bristol	30	3,425	50	67	-	23	32	6
North Somerset	10	2,125	-	77	-	14	-	4
Plymouth	35	3,495	56	71	39	15	-	6
Poole	10	1,515	-	80	-	12	-	4
South Gloucestershire	10	2,840	-	75	-	18	0	3
Swindon	20	2,275	56	71	-	17	-	6
Torbay	15	1,900	69	74	0	12	-	6

<sup>1</sup> Source: 'The Connexions/Careers Service Annual Activity Survey 2002'. Covers all young people who were in year 11 during the school year ending August 2002, and is based on a survey carried out during October 2002.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages for 'all children' do not sum to 100 because the Connexions/Career service Survey included an additional category of 'moved away', 'no response', and 'refused to participate', which is not relevant to looked-after children.

**Table 7 Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending  
30 September 2002**

Local Authority	looked-after children			all children aged 10-17 in police force area <sup>1</sup>	PAF indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>
	number aged 10 years or older	number convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>28,200</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>1,520</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2.1</b>
Shire Counties					
Durham	205	30	14	5	3.0
Northumberland	140	15	10	7	1.6
Unitary Authorities					
Darlington	55	5	12	5	2.7
Hartlepool	40	-	-	5	-
Middlesbrough	110	15	12	5	2.6
Redcar & Cleveland	70	10	13	5	2.9
Stockton On Tees	75	5	8	5	1.7
Metropolitan Districts					
Gateshead	125	10	10	7	1.5
Newcastle Upon Tyne	205	40	19	7	2.9
North Tyneside	150	25	15	7	2.4
South Tyneside	130	15	12	7	1.9
Sunderland	220	20	10	7	1.5
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>4,525</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Shire Counties					
Cheshire	240	25	11	3	4.5
Cumbria	260	30	12	5	2.6
Lancashire	640	100	15	4	3.8
Unitary Authorities					
Blackburn With Darwen	120	15	12	4	3.0
Blackpool	90	10	12	4	3.0
Halton	75	5	8	3	3.1
Warrington	75	10	16	3	6.3
Metropolitan Districts					
Bolton	115	15	12	5	2.7
Bury	115	10	10	5	2.2
Knowsley	115	-	-	3	-
Liverpool	545	70	13	3	4.3
Manchester	565	65	12	5	2.5
Oldham	160	20	11	5	2.4
Rochdale	95	15	13	5	2.9
Salford	255	20	8	5	1.7
Sefton	165	10	5	3	1.6
St Helens	110	15	14	3	4.8
Stockport	175	15	9	5	2.0
Tameside	120	5	5	5	1.1
Trafford	75	15	18	5	4.0
Wigan	195	15	7	5	1.6
Wirral	210	25	12	3	4.0

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**Table 7 Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending  
30 September 2002**

Local Authority	looked-after children			all children aged 10-17 in police force area <sup>1</sup>	PAF indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>
	number aged 10 years or older	number convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>3,125</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3.3</b>
Shire Counties					
North Yorkshire	155	15	8	3	2.8
Unitary Authorities					
East Riding Of Yorkshire	85	10	9	4	2.5
Kingston Upon Hull	330	40	13	4	3.5
North East Lincolnshire	110	15	13	4	3.6
North Lincolnshire	90	15	15	4	4.0
York	65	-	-	3	-
Metropolitan Districts					
Barnsley	110	10	9	4	2.4
Bradford	375	55	14	4	3.7
Calderdale	80	10	13	4	3.2
Doncaster	200	30	16	4	4.2
Kirklees	120	30	24	4	6.2
Leeds	660	95	14	4	3.6
Rotherham	200	30	15	4	4.0
Sheffield	310	25	7	4	1.9
Wakefield	230	10	4	4	1.0
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>1,695</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Shire Counties					
Derbyshire	275	5	3	3	0.8
Leicestershire	125	10	8	3	2.6
Lincolnshire	215	15	7	3	2.3
Northamptonshire	280	30	10	4	2.9
Nottinghamshire	185	20	12	5	2.5
Unitary Authorities					
Derby	195	25	12	3	3.6
Leicester	210	30	14	3	4.5
Nottingham	210	30	15	5	3.1
Rutland	-	-	-	3	-

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**Table 7 Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending  
30 September 2002**

Local Authority	looked-after children			all children aged 10-17 in police force area <sup>1</sup>	PAF indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>
	number aged 10 years or older	number convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>3,125</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.5</b>
Shire Counties					
Shropshire	105	-	-	4	-
Staffordshire	255	25	10	3	3.0
Warwickshire	160	10	8	3	2.5
Worcestershire	310	40	14	4	3.6
Unitary Authorities					
Herefordshire	90	5	8	4	2.1
Stoke-On-Trent	190	35	18	3	5.3
Telford & Wrekin	85	10	11	4	2.8
Metropolitan Districts					
Birmingham	895	85	10	4	2.2
Coventry	220	25	12	4	2.7
Dudley	160	15	10	4	2.4
Sandwell	210	15	7	4	1.5
Solihull	85	5	8	4	1.9
Walsall	180	20	10	4	2.3
Wolverhampton	190	25	13	4	3.0
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>2,575</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Shire Counties					
Bedfordshire	200	10	5	3	1.8
Cambridgeshire	190	20	10	3	3.5
Essex	535	40	8	3	2.6
Hertfordshire	440	30	7	3	2.9
Norfolk	320	40	12	3	4.1
Suffolk	320	30	10	4	2.4
Unitary Authorities					
Luton	160	5	4	3	1.4
Peterborough	175	10	7	3	2.5
Southend	125	-	-	3	-
Thurrock	105	10	8	3	2.5

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**Table 7 Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending  
30 September 2002**

Local Authority	looked-after children			all children aged 10-17 in police force area <sup>1</sup>	PAF indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>
	number aged 10 years or older	number convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>5,630</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Inner London					
Camden	170	5	4	4	1.2
City of London	0	0	0	4	0.0
Greenwich	230	15	6	4	1.6
Hackney	235	15	6	4	1.8
Hammersmith & Fulham	215	15	6	4	1.7
Islington	240	20	7	4	2.1
Kensington & Chelsea	125	15	13	4	3.6
Lambeth	405	10	3	4	0.7
Lewisham	320	35	11	4	2.9
Southwark	330	20	6	4	1.6
Tower Hamlets	185	-	-	4	-
Wandsworth	155	15	9	4	2.5
Westminster	125	-	-	4	-
Outer London					
Barking & Dagenham	200	10	6	4	1.7
Barnet	165	20	11	4	3.0
Bexley	100	5	7	4	1.9
Brent	175	10	6	4	1.8
Bromley	140	-	-	4	-
Croydon	340	30	9	4	2.6
Ealing	125	-	-	4	-
Enfield	145	-	-	4	-
Haringey	220	45	20	4	5.6
Harrow	75	10	12	4	3.4
Havering	80	-	-	4	-
Hillingdon	215	-	-	4	-
Hounslow	155	10	5	4	1.4
Kingston Upon Thames	50	5	12	4	3.3
Merton	100	10	10	4	2.7
Newham	245	10	4	4	1.2
Redbridge	65	10	12	4	3.4
Richmond Upon Thames	70	10	14	4	4.0
Sutton	80	10	11	4	3.2
Waltham Forest	155	-	-	4	-

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**Table 7 Offending by looked-after children, twelve months ending  
30 September 2002**

Local Authority	looked-after children			all children aged 10-17 in police force area <sup>1</sup>	PAF indicator C18 <sup>2</sup>
	number aged 10 years or older	number convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	percentage convicted or subject to a final warning/reprimand during the year	
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>3,630</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.1</b>
Shire Counties					
Buckinghamshire	110	-	-	2	-
East Sussex	210	25	11	3	4.0
Hampshire	465	45	10	4	2.4
Kent	785	45	5	3	1.7
Oxfordshire	235	30	13	2	5.4
Surrey	335	30	9	2	3.7
West Sussex	400	35	8	3	3.0
Unitary Authorities					
Bracknell Forest	35	-	-	2	-
Brighton & Hove	180	15	10	3	3.5
Isle Of Wight	85	10	11	4	2.7
Medway Towns	125	10	10	3	2.9
Milton Keynes	120	15	12	2	4.9
Portsmouth	110	25	22	4	5.5
Reading	60	10	14	2	5.7
Slough	70	5	9	2	3.5
Southampton	180	20	10	4	2.4
West Berkshire	60	-	-	2	-
Windsor & Maidenhead	30	-	-	2	-
Wokingham	45	-	-	2	-
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.5</b>
Shire Counties					
Cornwall	285	10	3	3	1.0
Devon	375	35	9	3	2.9
Dorset	145	20	15	3	5.5
Gloucestershire	265	25	9	3	2.7
Isle of Scilly	-	0	0	3	0.0
Somerset	150	15	9	2	3.8
Wiltshire	135	10	8	3	2.7
Unitary Authorities					
Bath & North East Somerset	75	5	9	2	4.0
Bournemouth	100	10	11	3	4.1
Bristol	255	25	11	2	4.6
North Somerset	75	5	9	2	4.1
Plymouth	210	25	12	3	4.1
Poole	85	-	-	3	-
South Gloucestershire	75	-	-	2	-
Swindon	90	5	8	3	2.6
Torbay	90	30	31	3	10.5

<sup>1</sup> Home Office source, figures for calendar year 2001

<sup>2</sup> the proportion of children (aged 10 or over) who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who were convicted or given a final warning/reprimand during the year for an offence committed whilst they were looked after, expressed as a ratio of the proportion of all children and young people convicted or given a final warning/reprimand for an offence in the police force area

**Table 8 Development assessments of pre-school looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

England			
Local Authority	number aged 5 years old or younger	number whose development assessments were up-to-date	% whose development assessments were up-to-date
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>7,400</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>74.5</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>65</b>
Shire Counties			
Durham	70	10	17
Northumberland	30	30	94
Unitary Authorities			
Darlington	15	15	100
Hartlepool	15	-	-
Middlesbrough	35	30	78
Redcar & Cleveland	15	15	100
Stockton On Tees	10	-	-
Metropolitan Districts			
Gateshead	30	20	68
Newcastle Upon Tyne	55	40	69
North Tyneside	45	25	55
South Tyneside	30	25	81
Sunderland	70	65	93
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>71</b>
Shire Counties			
Cheshire	55	55	98
Cumbria	85	60	67
Lancashire	160	130	80
Unitary Authorities			
Blackburn With Darwen	50	45	88
Blackpool	50	50	100
Halton	20	20	100
Warrington	25	25	93
Metropolitan Districts			
Bolton	40	40	100
Bury	45	40	84
Knowsley	30	25	79
Liverpool	180	80	45
Manchester	145	70	47
Oldham	40	15	40
Rochdale	60	50	83
Salford	90	25	28
Sefton	40	30	73
St Helens	35	35	100
Stockport	50	50	100
Tameside	10	10	-
Trafford	20	20	91
Wigan	60	55	90
Wirral	55	35	67

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**Table 8 Development assessments of pre-school looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

England			
Local Authority	number aged 5 years old or younger	number whose development assessments were up-to-date	% whose development assessments were up-to-date
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>78</b>
Shire Counties			
North Yorkshire	40	35	95
Unitary Authorities			
East Riding Of Yorkshire	35	25	82
Kingston Upon Hull	55	45	81
North East Lincolnshire	30	30	90
North Lincolnshire	25	25	92
York	20	15	94
Metropolitan Districts			
Barnsley	40	30	76
Bradford	115	110	99
Calderdale	25	15	50
Doncaster	70	55	78
Kirklees	45	45	100
Leeds	195	100	52
Rotherham	55	50	88
Sheffield	90	60	67
Wakefield	40	40	100
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>89</b>
Shire Counties			
Derbyshire	75	75	100
Leicestershire	30	25	82
Lincolnshire	85	60	73
Northamptonshire	80	75	97
Nottinghamshire	80	65	82
Unitary Authorities			
Derby	40	40	97
Leicester	90	85	98
Nottingham	90	75	85
Rutland	-	-	-

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**Table 8 Development assessments of pre-school looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

England			
Local Authority	number aged 5 years old or younger	number whose development assessments were up-to-date	% whose development assessments were up-to-date
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>67</b>
Shire Counties			
Shropshire	15	10	77
Staffordshire	50	10	23
Warwickshire	50	50	100
Worcestershire	70	40	54
Unitary Authorities			
Herefordshire	25	25	100
Stoke-On-Trent	35	30	88
Telford & Wrekin	15	10	71
Metropolitan Districts			
Birmingham	315	175	56
Coventry	70	55	79
Dudley	65	35	57
Sandwell	80	45	56
Solihull	20	15	89
Walsall	75	70	93
Wolverhampton	50	45	98
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>79</b>
Shire Counties			
Bedfordshire	40	40	93
Cambridgeshire	25	25	100
Essex	165	105	64
Hertfordshire	125	110	86
Norfolk	70	65	93
Suffolk	80	30	40
Unitary Authorities			
Luton	65	65	100
Peterborough	35	35	97
Southend	25	25	92
Thurrock	25	20	81

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**Table 8 Development assessments of pre-school looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

England			
Local Authority	number aged 5 years old or younger	number whose development assessments were up-to-date	% whose development assessments were up-to-date
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>1,290</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>69</b>
Inner London			
Camden	30	25	77
City of London	0	0	0
Greenwich	70	60	90
Hackney	75	45	61
Hammersmith & Fulham	45	35	86
Islington	55	50	93
Kensington & Chelsea	20	20	100
Lambeth	70	45	64
Lewisham	65	30	46
Southwark	90	65	71
Tower Hamlets	55	0	0
Wandsworth	50	50	100
Westminster	40	35	95
Outer London			
Barking & Dagenham	30	15	50
Barnet	40	35	83
Bexley	30	30	100
Brent	40	10	30
Bromley	40	30	69
Croydon	55	45	80
Ealing	45	25	63
Enfield	30	30	100
Haringey	25	20	80
Harrow	5	5	-
Havering	15	15	100
Hillingdon	30	25	87
Hounslow	55	50	89
Kingston Upon Thames	-	-	-
Merton	25	15	54
Newham	75	10	14
Redbridge	15	15	94
Richmond Upon Thames	10	10	-
Sutton	10	10	-
Waltham Forest	45	25	57

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**Table 8 Development assessments of pre-school looked-after children, twelve months ending 30 September 2002**

England			
Local Authority	number aged 5 years old or younger	number whose development assessments were up-to-date	% whose development assessments were up-to-date
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>80</b>
Shire Counties			
Buckinghamshire	40	35	92
East Sussex	75	75	97
Hampshire	125	35	29
Kent	155	140	91
Oxfordshire	40	40	100
Surrey†	80	..	..
West Sussex	50	45	84
Unitary Authorities			
Bracknell Forest	-	-	-
Brighton & Hove	40	40	100
Isle Of Wight	15	15	100
Medway Towns	25	15	71
Milton Keynes	15	15	100
Portsmouth	30	25	79
Reading†	25	..	..
Slough	20	20	86
Southampton	50	50	98
West Berkshire	10	10	92
Windsor & Maidenhead	-	-	-
Wokingham	0	0	0
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>84</b>
Shire Counties			
Cornwall	45	30	67
Devon	60	55	97
Dorset	15	15	94
Gloucestershire	45	25	59
Isle of Scilly	0	0	-
Somerset	25	15	56
Wiltshire	25	25	96
Unitary Authorities			
Bath & North East Somerset	15	10	92
Bournemouth	30	30	100
Bristol	40	40	100
North Somerset	25	25	100
Plymouth†	75	..	..
Poole	15	10	69
South Gloucestershire	10	10	-
Swindon	20	20	100
Torbay	25	25	96

**Table 9 Health care of looked-after children, twelve months to 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	numbers				percentages			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1</sup> (average percentage)
	number looked after for at least one year	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	
<b>ENGLAND</b>	<b>44,100</b>	<b>32,400</b>	<b>31,800</b>	<b>31,300</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71.6</b>
<b>NORTH EAST</b>	<b>2,440</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>1,845</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>75.7</b>
Shire Counties								
Durham	330	240	240	240	72	72	72	72.0
Northumberland	200	180	140	160	90	71	81	76.0
Unitary Authorities								
Darlington	95	75	50	60	80	54	66	59.7
Hartlepool	80	70	70	55	91	88	72	80.1
Middlesbrough	185	175	175	165	95	96	89	92.6
Redcar & Cleveland	105	65	85	80	62	83	75	79.0
Stockton On Tees	120	85	105	105	70	86	86	85.8
Metropolitan Districts								
Gateshead	190	175	135	100	91	72	53	62.3
Newcastle Upon Tyne	325	270	250	275	82	76	84	80.0
North Tyneside	235	235	105	115	100	45	49	46.8
South Tyneside	205	150	155	165	74	76	81	78.9
Sunderland	370	325	335	330	87	90	88	89.2
<b>NORTH WEST</b>	<b>7,590</b>	<b>5,265</b>	<b>5,400</b>	<b>5,365</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>70.9</b>
Shire Counties								
Cheshire	360	345	330	305	96	92	85	88.3
Cumbria	435	220	300	255	51	69	59	64.1
Lancashire	985	575	675	640	58	69	65	66.8
Unitary Authorities								
Blackburn With Darwen	220	175	170	185	80	76	84	80.3
Blackpool	195	180	160	155	92	82	79	80.2
Halton	130	120	125	110	90	93	84	88.6
Warrington	130	85	75	80	67	57	61	59.0
Metropolitan Districts								
Bolton	195	140	160	160	72	82	81	81.7
Bury	200	150	135	135	75	67	68	67.7
Knowsley	180	140	125	145	78	70	80	74.6
Liverpool	935	675	560	635	72	60	68	64.2
Manchester	935	445	720	645	47	77	69	73.1
Oldham	265	175	150	130	66	56	48	52.3
Rochdale	210	205	160	165	98	76	78	77.0
Salford	470	280	230	305	60	49	65	56.7
Sefton	250	215	135	150	85	54	59	56.4
St Helens	195	145	140	165	73	70	84	76.9
Stockport	310	210	310	250	67	99	80	89.4
Tameside	190	165	135	170	87	72	90	81.4
Trafford	125	95	75	75	78	59	59	58.9
Wigan	320	260	270	270	80	84	84	84.2
Wirral	355	265	270	245	75	75	69	72.3

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**Table 9 Health care of looked-after children, twelve months to 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	numbers				percentages			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1</sup> (average percentage)
	number looked after for at least one year	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	
<b>YORKS &amp; THE HUMBER</b>	<b>4,950</b>	<b>3,290</b>	<b>3,160</b>	<b>3,450</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>66.8</b>
Shire Counties								
North Yorkshire	240	220	220	210	93	92	89	90.3
Unitary Authorities								
East Riding Of Yorkshire	155	110	105	80	70	69	53	61.0
Kingston Upon Hull	440	290	320	275	66	73	63	67.9
North East Lincolnshire	195	135	55	100	71	29	52	40.2
North Lincolnshire	140	135	115	115	95	81	81	80.7
York	95	70	75	60	73	79	61	70.3
Metropolitan Districts								
Barnsley	205	200	170	150	98	83	73	77.9
Bradford	580	465	460	465	81	80	81	80.4
Calderdale	130	75	60	80	58	45	63	53.8
Doncaster	325	220	225	220	68	69	69	69.0
Kirklees	195	150	175	170	76	89	88	88.5
Leeds	1,080	585	710	850	54	66	79	72.1
Rotherham	325	220	200	245	68	63	75	68.9
Sheffield	515	250	85	240	49	17	46	31.5
Wakefield	335	170	185	185	50	54	55	54.5
<b>EAST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>2,290</b>	<b>1,995</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>75.9</b>
Shire Counties								
Derbyshire	425	405	365	335	96	86	79	82.7
Leicestershire	195	175	130	140	91	66	71	68.7
Lincolnshire	375	320	295	175	85	79	47	63.0
Northamptonshire	445	395	345	345	89	78	78	78.2
Nottinghamshire	355	335	325	310	95	93	88	90.1
Unitary Authorities								
Derby	300	255	245	220	86	82	73	77.7
Leicester	355	280	265	255	78	75	72	73.2
Nottingham	370	340	310	205	92	84	56	69.7
Rutland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**Table 9 Health care of looked-after children, twelve months to 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	numbers				percentages			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1</sup> (average percentage)
	number looked after for at least one year	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	
<b>WEST MIDLANDS</b>	<b>5,025</b>	<b>3,680</b>	<b>3,605</b>	<b>3,215</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>67.9</b>
Shire Counties								
Shropshire	135	85	75	90	65	58	68	62.8
Staffordshire	385	220	170	180	58	45	48	46.2
Warwickshire	255	230	185	180	92	74	72	72.7
Worcestershire	425	345	330	305	81	78	72	74.8
Unitary Authorities								
Herefordshire	150	105	145	125	69	94	81	87.5
Stoke-On-Trent	280	250	230	215	89	83	76	79.5
Telford & Wrekin	130	80	110	115	61	85	86	85.9
Metropolitan Districts								
Birmingham	1,500	970	1,100	755	65	74	50	61.9
Coventry	370	310	255	255	84	69	69	69.3
Dudley	295	250	200	200	86	68	68	68.4
Sandwell	370	200	190	200	55	51	54	52.3
Solihull	125	80	105	100	65	83	80	81.5
Walsall	325	280	285	285	87	87	87	87.2
Wolverhampton	280	265	215	210	94	76	75	75.5
<b>EAST OF ENGLAND</b>	<b>4,035</b>	<b>3,225</b>	<b>3,140</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>75.3</b>
Shire Counties								
Bedfordshire	310	260	275	235	84	88	76	82.0
Cambridgeshire	255	220	215	200	86	85	78	81.5
Essex	865	790	665	640	91	77	74	75.5
Hertfordshire	685	530	465	460	77	68	67	67.5
Norfolk	505	485	460	430	95	91	84	87.5
Suffolk	515	210	310	310	41	60	60	60.3
Unitary Authorities								
Luton	280	235	245	235	85	87	83	85.0
Peterborough	270	210	210	160	78	79	60	69.5
Southend	190	160	170	145	83	89	77	82.8
Thurrock	160	125	125	120	78	78	76	77.2

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**Table 9 Health care of looked-after children, twelve months to 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	numbers				percentages			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1</sup> (average percentage)
	number looked after for at least one year	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	
<b>LONDON</b>	<b>8,325</b>	<b>5,550</b>	<b>5,705</b>	<b>6,065</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>70.7</b>
Inner London								
Camden	230	125	145	160	54	62	70	66.4
City of London	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greenwich	365	355	340	275	97	94	75	84.7
Hackney	375	160	310	225	43	83	60	71.5
Hammersmith & Fulham	310	190	225	230	62	73	75	74.2
Islington	350	105	95	205	30	27	59	43.0
Kensington & Chelsea	180	155	125	140	88	70	78	73.9
Lambeth	560	270	255	285	49	46	51	48.6
Lewisham	440	340	255	270	77	57	61	59.3
Southwark	510	405	360	395	80	71	78	74.6
Tower Hamlets	270	270	15	125	100	5	45	25.1
Wandsworth	250	175	215	220	71	87	89	88.0
Westminster	205	180	145	165	89	72	81	76.6
Outer London								
Barking & Dagenham	255	80	220	240	32	85	93	89.1
Barnet	245	150	180	205	63	74	84	79.2
Bexley	160	155	150	145	97	94	91	92.5
Brent	260	185	195	185	71	75	71	72.9
Bromley	230	130	150	150	57	66	66	66.0
Croydon	440	360	390	400	81	88	90	89.1
Ealing	305	175	220	260	57	72	86	78.9
Enfield	205	95	130	130	47	63	63	63.2
Haringey	285	220	185	190	78	65	67	65.6
Harrow	120	110	110	110	93	91	94	92.4
Havering	120	115	110	105	96	92	91	91.5
Hillingdon	280	260	220	235	92	78	84	80.9
Hounslow	255	210	205	220	82	80	87	83.5
Kingston Upon Thames	55	50	50	50	84	89	88	88.6
Merton	130	95	70	85	70	53	63	58.0
Newham	405	105	205	195	26	51	48	49.5
Redbridge	100	85	80	85	81	80	82	81.4
Richmond Upon Thames	90	85	85	75	94	96	85	90.4
Sutton	115	75	105	100	64	92	87	89.7
Waltham Forest	230	80	160	200	35	69	87	77.9

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**Table 9 Health care of looked-after children, twelve months to 30 September 2002**

Local Authority	numbers				percentages			PAF Indicator C19 <sup>1</sup> (average percentage)
	number looked after for at least one year	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	children whose immunisations were up to date	children who had their teeth checked by a dentist	children who had their annual health assessment	
<b>SOUTH EAST</b>	<b>5,430</b>	<b>4,035</b>	<b>3,990</b>	<b>3,810</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>71.8</b>
Shire Counties								
Buckinghamshire	190	180	155	160	94	81	83	81.7
East Sussex	350	330	310	295	94	88	84	86.0
Hampshire	720	245	265	240	34	37	33	35.0
Kent	1,105	920	870	790	83	79	72	75.2
Oxfordshire	340	300	285	270	88	83	79	81.2
Surrey	530	235	290	350	44	54	66	60.1
West Sussex	550	525	510	500	95	93	91	92.0
Unitary Authorities								
Bracknell Forest	45	30	35	35	65	77	79	77.9
Brighton & Hove	275	230	230	205	83	84	75	79.5
Isle Of Wight	125	120	105	90	97	85	73	79.4
Medway Towns	180	170	165	140	95	94	79	86.2
Milton Keynes	160	150	130	95	93	80	61	70.3
Portsmouth	180	65	145	140	37	80	78	79.1
Reading	100	95	85	75	93	83	73	78.2
Slough	115	75	80	90	66	68	78	73.0
Southampton	290	225	185	210	78	64	72	68.2
West Berkshire	90	85	85	65	97	95	72	83.5
Windsor & Maidenhead	40	40	40	30	100	100	76	88.2
Wokingham	50	25	30	30	45	57	55	55.9
<b>SOUTH WEST</b>	<b>3,480</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>2,635</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76.7</b>
Shire Counties								
Cornwall	395	280	295	260	72	75	66	70.4
Devon	525	385	415	475	74	79	91	85.1
Dorset	175	165	155	105	93	88	60	74.0
Gloucestershire	410	325	240	345	80	59	84	71.2
Isle of Scilly	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Somerset	205	185	180	145	92	88	72	80.0
Wiltshire	195	180	170	160	93	87	82	84.3
Unitary Authorities								
Bath & North East Somerse	115	65	100	80	58	84	70	77.2
Bournemouth	155	130	115	90	86	76	58	67.0
Bristol	365	335	285	245	91	78	66	72.1
North Somerset	110	80	100	90	73	91	82	86.6
Plymouth	345	285	280	265	83	81	77	78.9
Poole	120	90	90	110	75	76	92	83.8
South Gloucestershire	90	75	80	85	82	89	91	90.1
Swindon	130	75	65	70	56	50	54	52.3
Torbay	140	115	130	105	83	91	76	83.7

<sup>1</sup> The average of the percentages of children looked after at 30 September who had been looked after continuously for at least 12 months, who had their teeth checked by a dentist during the previous 12 months, and had an annual health assessment during the previous 12 months. In previous years this indicator also included immunisations. The figures shown here reflect the revised definition.



# TECHNICAL NOTES

## Coverage of OC2

The Table below specifies the subset of children captured by each of the OC2's data items.

**Table 1.1: Coverage of each OC2 Data Item, period ending 30 September 2002**

<b>Data item On OC2</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Which children were included?</b>
<b>1</b>	Scope of OC2	All children who were looked after on 30 September and on that date had been looked after continuously for at least a year.
<i>Items 2 – 8 are subsets of item 1:</i>		
<b>2</b>	Total eligible schooling	Children whose date of birth in range 1/9/85 to 31/8/97
<b>3</b>	Key stage 1	Children eligible for school year 2, i.e. whose date of birth in range 1/9/94 to 31/8/95
<b>4</b>	Key stage 2	Children eligible for school year 6, i.e. whose date of birth in range 1/9/90 to 31/8/91
<b>5</b>	Key stage 3	Children eligible for school year 9, i.e. whose date of birth in range 1/9/87 to 31/8/88
<b>6</b>	GCSEs and GNVQs	Children eligible for school year 11, i.e. whose date of birth in range 1/9/85 to 31/8/86
<b>7</b>	Offending	Children aged 10 or over at 30 September, i.e. whose date of birth is 30/9/92 or earlier
<b>8</b>	Development Assessments	Children aged 5 years or younger at 30 September, i.e. whose date of birth is 01/10/96 or greater
<b>9</b>	Immunisations	All children covered by OC2 return, i.e. all children who were looked after on 30 September and had been looked after continuously for at least a year. (This is the same as item 1).
<b>10</b>	Dental checks	
<b>11</b>	Health Assessments	
<b>12</b>	Employment/school status at 30 Sept 2002	Children eligible for school year 11, i.e. whose date of birth in range 1/9/85 to 31/8/86. (This is the same as Item 6).

### **Twelve month data period**

The data collected cover young people looked after at 30 September 2002 in England who had been looked after continuously for at least twelve months, defined as the period from 1 October to the following 30 September inclusive. This departs from the Department of Health's other collections of children's personal social services data, which use a 'year' based on the period ending 31 March. The data period used for the OC2 was designed to accommodate the school year.

### **Boundaries of authorities**

As explained in section 2 of this Commentary, some young people covered by the OC2 will have attended schools outside the boundaries of their home local authority social services department. Hence caution must be used when comparing educational data collected on OC2, with that for all children collected by DfES.

## Missing data for 2001/2002

There were fewer missing data items than for the previous twelve months. All councils in England with social services responsibilities submitted an OC2. The following notes explain how missing data have been dealt with in this publication:

### Incomplete OC2 returns received

Incomplete returns were received from three councils, and the relevant figures have therefore been shown in the Tables as 'not available', represented by two dots ( .. ). Table 1.2 lists these three councils, and shows which data items they were unable to provide in each case. All figures presented at England and Government Office Region level include estimates for missing data based on national percentages.

### All items on OC2 completed, but some only partially

No councils provided any partial data. The only items which were missing related to item 8b for the three LAs below. These were

estimated from item 8a using a ratio based on all other LAs. Where there is a missing item, the authority name is marked with a †.

### Problems reported in collection of data

Where a council was unable to find the information, they reported the child as having no qualifications or not being up to date with regard to health checks. For this reason the figures for some councils may underestimate the proportions of their looked-after children for certain items.

### Validation checks

The Department of Health subjected the data to a number of validation checks including, where possible, comparison with other collections (SSDA 903). Councils were informed of validation failures. Many returned corrected data, although inconsistencies, often minor, remain in the figures for some councils.

**Table 1.2: OC2 missing data items, twelve months to September 2002**

OC2 return item number	
Council	8B
Reading	n/a
Surrey	n/a
Plymouth	n/a

## **Rounding and Suppression of very small Numbers**

To ensure that no individual can be identified from statistical Tables, similar conventions from last year have again been used in this publication for the rounding and suppression of very small numbers.

### **National Tables A - F**

For this reason, all **numbers** which appear in the national summary Tables (Tables A to F) have been rounded to the nearest 100 if they exceed 1,000, and to the nearest 10 otherwise. Numbers from 1 to 5 inclusive have been suppressed, being replaced in the Table by a hyphen. Where any number is shown as zero (0) the original figure submitted was also zero.

All **percentages** at national level have been rounded to 1 decimal place. Wherever the numerator is 5 or less or the denominator is 10 or less of the underlying numbers from which a percentage has been calculated, the percentage has been suppressed and replaced by a hyphen. Where any percentage is shown as zero (0) either both the original figures from which it has been calculated were zero or the numerator was zero and the denominator is over 10.

### **Local Tables 1 - 9**

At local council level (Tables 1 - 9) the England total **numbers** at the head of each Table have been rounded either to the nearest 10 or 100, following the rule outlined above.

All other numbers at local council level have been rounded to the nearest five, and numbers from 1 to 5 inclusive have been suppressed, being replaced in the published Tables by a hyphen. Where any number is shown as zero (0), the original figure submitted was also zero.

In local council Tables the England total **percentages** at the head of each Table have been rounded to 1 decimal place, following the rule outlined above.

Ratios and PAF indicators have been expressed to one decimal place. Where percentage figures from other sources (e.g. DfES) have been quoted, they have been left in the form in which they were originally published.

In Tables which include time series, this rounding convention has been applied to data for previous years for the sake of consistency.

### **Suppression of other numbers**

It has also been necessary to suppress other figures whenever it would be possible to calculate the value of a suppressed number by means of simple arithmetic. The rule applied in these circumstances has been to suppress the next smallest data item.

## Symbols used

The following symbols have been used in the Tables:

- 0 zero
- Small number suppressed to preserve confidentiality. Normally this will be a number between 1 and 5 inclusive, or a percentage where either the numerator is between 1 and 5 or the denominator is between 1 and 10 inclusive.
- .. Not available
- . Not applicable
- † Placed against a local council's name indicates that some figures for that authority have been estimated.

**Table 1.3: Examples of the rounding conventions used in this publication:**

Actual Number	Numbers at England level, as shown in Tables	Numbers at local council level, as shown in Tables
0	0	0
1	-	-
2	-	-
3	-	-
4	-	-
5	-	-
6	10	5
7	10	5
8	10	10
9	10	10
10	10	10
11	10	10
12	10	10
13	10	15
14	10	15
15	20	15
16	20	15

Actual Number	Numbers at England level, as shown in Tables	Numbers at local council level, as shown in Tables
17	20	15
18	20	20
19	20	20
20	20	20
120	120	120
124	120	125
125	130	125
126	130	125
994	990	995
995	1,000	995
999	1,000	1,000
1,949	1,900	1,950
1,950	2,000	1,950
1,955	2,000	1,955
1,956	2,000	1,955
1,957	2,000	1,955
1,958	2,000	1,960

## **Figures on the Internet**

The department of Health's website contains a copy of this publication with all the tables in a suitable format for downloading. They can be found at the web address below.

<http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/oi2002.htm>

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### Overview of the three ‘Outcome indicator’ collections

#### Relationship between OC2 and the other ‘outcome indicator’ collections.

There are three ‘Outcome Indicator’ statistical returns which are submitted by local council social services departments in England. These are:

- **OC1: Educational qualifications of Care Leavers;**
- **OC2: Outcome Indicators for looked-after Children;**
- **OC3: Care Leavers on their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

**OC1** records a separate record for each individual care leaver aged 16 and over in the twelve month period ending 31 March, regardless of how long they had been looked after. Collectively all OC1s over time will provide a picture of the achievements of care leavers aged 16 or over. By using a reference period ending 31 March, data can be linked for analysis with other individual records of care such as the SSDA 903<sup>1</sup>.

**OC2** is an aggregate return covering a group of children who had been looked after for at least twelve months on 30 September. OC2 reports the educational performance of age-sets in school years 2, 6, 9, and 11, as well as collecting some data on health status and on offending. It uses a reference period ending 30 September to broadly align itself with the academic year.

Because some young people have a history of going in and out of care, and many will not have been looked after for twelve months on 30 September, each successive

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<sup>1</sup> Data from OC1 were published in: ‘Educational Qualifications of Care Leavers, year ending 31 March 2002: England’. (DH Statistical Bulletin 2002/24). Available on the DH website at: [www.doh.gov.uk/public/stats3.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/stats3.htm)

year’s OC2 will not be looking at exactly the same groups of children as they pass through the educational system. Therefore it is not a cohort study, but is cross-sectional.

The OC2 excludes from its scope any young people who left care before 30 September having completed year 11; it only covers children who have been looked after for at least 12 months. OC2 therefore differs from the OC1 statistical collection by focussing on those looked-after children whose performance and experience councils have had most opportunity to influence.

**OC3** consists of a separate record for each individual on their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday who were looked after on April 1 of their 17<sup>th</sup> year. OC3 uses a reference period of the twelve months ending 31 March. Collectively all OC3s provide a picture of the activity of a group of care leavers most of whom will have entered school year 11 three years before. Data can be linked for analysis with other individual records of care such as the SSDA 903<sup>2</sup>.

#### Origin of these collections

The origin and rationale of the three returns OC1, OC2 and OC3 relate directly to the publication in September 1999 of ‘The Government’s Objectives for Children’s Social Services’.<sup>3</sup> This set out eleven objectives supported by sub-objectives, performance indicators (PAF) and some targets. Two objectives, 4 and 5 concern outcomes for looked-after children and care leavers respectively.

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<sup>2</sup> Data from the first OC3 collection, for year ending 31 March 2002, Available on the DH website at: [www.doh.gov.uk/public/stats3.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/stats3.htm)

<sup>3</sup> ‘Government’s Objectives for Children’s Social Services, September 1999.’ Available at: [www.doh.gov.uk/scg/objcss.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/scg/objcss.htm)

Objective 4 required other indicators relating to outcomes for looked-after children, and the establishment of a further new statistical return, the OC2, to collect the necessary data. These indicators included educational attainment at all the Key stages, exclusions from school, offending behaviour (indicator PAF C18), and health monitoring (indicator PAF C19).

These three indicators are not linked to care leaving. It was felt it would be easiest to obtain this data by means of an aggregate return (OC2), and it was decided to limit the scope of the return to children who had been looked after for an extended period of at least twelve months, so that they could be expected to have had their health checks during this time.

The twelve month reference period was fixed as 1 October to 30 September to broadly align with the school year and allow easier recording of academic results, and to facilitate comparison with data from the Department for Education and Skills (DfES) reporting the academic attainment of all children in England.

The PAF A2 performance indicator measures the percentage of young people leaving care aged 16 or over with at least 1 GCSE at grade A\* - G or a GNVQ. The OC1 was designed to capture data on all care leavers aged 16 or over.

Objective 5 required indicators that measure how well young people are doing at 19 who were looked after when aged 16. These indicators were designed to monitor how well councils kept in touch with and supported young people in the transition from care to independence.

The OC3 return was established to collect these data. The OC3 will effectively show how well successive cohorts of looked-after 16 year olds are doing three years later. The first OC3 return covers the twelve months ending 31 March 2002, and first data from

the OC3 were published in the Autumn of 2002.

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## Children's Social Services

Recent statistical publications available from the Department of Health:

**Children Looked After by Local Authorities, year ending 31 March 2002; England**

[www.doh.gov.uk/public/cla2002.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/cla2002.htm)

**Children Looked After in England: 2001/2002**

[www.doh.gov.uk/public/sb0222.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/sb0222.htm)

**Educational Qualifications of Care Leavers year ending 31 March 2002; England**

[www.doh.gov.uk/public/sb0227.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/sb0227.htm)

**Referrals, Assessments and Children and Young People on Child Protection Registers, year ending 31 March 2002; England**

[www.doh.gov.uk/public/cpr2002.htm](http://www.doh.gov.uk/public/cpr2002.htm)

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