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Introduction

The importance of skills in the global economy was recognised in the Leitch Review of Skills which amongst other things concluded that the UK performed poorly compared with other OECD countries in terms of the proportion of people holding lower and intermediate level qualifications. As a result of the Leitch Review, the Government set a number of stretching targets to enable the UK to develop a world class skills base by 2020.

The recently published White Paper, Skills for Growth [11 November 2009] reiterated the Government's belief in the contribution that a highly skilled population makes to economic growth and prosperity. At the same time that the new Skills Strategy is being implemented the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) is in transition following the Machinery of Government changes. By 2010 there will be new structures and arrangements for the planning and allocation of funds for education and training in the 16-18 and 19 plus age groups. Funding for young people will become the responsibility of local authorities (supported by the Young People's Learning Agency) whilst the Skills Funding Agency will become responsible for funding adult education and training.

The funding of education and training can be broadly divided into, firstly, the funding of institutions and, secondly, financial support for individual learners. There are various forms of financial support available for learners in further education including professional and career development loans, adult learning grants and discretionary learner support (dLS).

This report, prepared by the LSN and commissioned by the LSC, focuses on discretionary learner support; this was achieved by analysing 2008/09 Management Information (MI). The report is presented in four sections; the first section reports on background information relating to dLS funding, including a policy context; the second is a summary of the national picture of dLS expenditure in 2008/09; whilst the third and fourth sections present the key findings for young people and adult dLS expenditure in 2008/09, respectively. The report is also supplemented by three appendices which present detailed tables for young people and adult dLS expenditure as well as providing a national overview of allocations and expenditure.

Data quality

The project team is confident that the dLS MI data (and subsequent analysis) at the national and regional level is robust and comprehensive. All changes in definitions or data collection categories between 2007/08 and 2008/09 are highlighted accordingly within the report to ensure trends are based on comparative analyses.

Year on year comparisons, generally, showed consistency and in most cases the number of observations in specific funding lines was large enough to establish representative and meaningful averages; however, a few discrepancies were encountered during the analysis process and therefore in some cases the trends reported need to be interpreted with care. This is particularly the case with the residential bursary funding line as only a small number of providers receive these funds, consequently, year on year and regional comparisons of averages may not be conclusive due to the small cohort of providers.

Broadly speaking, the national and regional summary datasets (from which the vast majority of the analysis was based) had accurate data; however, as we moved downstream we encountered some issues that may have affected the quality of the data. The main issues were:

- the transposition and the incorrect entry of MI information on standard return forms;
- missing or incomplete MI information on standard return forms;
- multiple submissions of standard return forms; and

 the submission of non-standardised provider returns (for example inserting information in the form of a PDF into the standard Excel spreadsheet return form).

The effect of the above is that local and/or regional summaries of MI information sometimes did not tally with aggregated provider information; however, it was clear to the project team that the local and regional summaries contained the most up-to-date and accurate information. This suggests to us that as MI information moves upstream (that is upwards from providers) errors and anomalies are addressed and corrected; however, there does not appear to be a standard procedure for corrected information to flow back down to providers to ensure that the MI information that was originally submitted is also updated.

By analysing the MI information it also appears that in some instances providers have not reported specific funding allocations and, possibly therefore, expenditure as required. Predominately, this seemed to occur in relation to the additional 20+ childcare funds (routed through 20+ childcare in December 2008); a funding line that was aimed at learners eligible for the new Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work (FCTLW) scheme. As this was a new funding line, introduced late in the year, and routed through the pre-existing 20+ childcare funding line it is unsurprising that many providers may have unintentionally reported the MI in categories other than that specified as "FCTLW (code 2206200): Supplementary 20+ Childcare Funds". For example, the additional 20+ childcare funding may have inadvertently been categorised as ordinary "20+ childcare funding" or possibly as "19+ Supplementary Discretionary Support Funding awarded by the Local LSC during the course of the year".

There is also evidence that some of the reporting of MI information did not appear to corroborate with the purpose for which it was intended to be used. For example, in many instances the reported number of eligible applications for discretionary ESOL was lower than the actual number of awards made.

The 2007/08 information used in our analysis is sourced from the Institute for Employment Studies report Discretionary Support Funding: Annual Return Overview and Regional Summaries 2007/8. The project team did not analyse the actual 2007/08 dLS data, therefore in this instance we cannot rule out the possibility that some reported trends are due to unidentified anomalies in the 2007/08 dataset.

Despite these issues the project team only identified and corrected one piece of regional MI information. The project team is, therefore, reasonably confident that the analysis presented provides a true representation of what happened to dLS funding in 2008/09.

Interpreting the analysis

Whilst preparing this report the project team took the conscious decision not to report conclusions that were not supported by actual comments made by providers. This is because we cannot say, with certainty, whether a given reported trend was a consequence of provider behaviour, or due to fluctuations in demand for support. The reader, therefore, should consider the following when interpreting the analysis:

- Was funding vired into or out of a particular dLS funding line?
- As the amount of in-year dLS funding returned to the Local LSC was so small were providers spending up excessive allocations or was learner demand for support high?
- Where an average regional award was significantly different to the national average award was
 this due to the differing needs of learners, regional cost factors, providers fixing the level of the
 award rather than ensuring that it reflected the cost of provision, or was there an unidentified
 anomaly in the underlying data?

- Were providers varying the value of the average award to accommodate demand by awarding higher awards when demand was low and lower awards (that is spreading funding more thinly) when demand was high?
- Did unintentional reporting behaviour of additional 20+ childcare funding affect the MI returns?
- Have small sample sizes had an effect on the analysis?

2008/09 saw the UK enter into recession. More recently this has been accompanied by widespread acknowledgement of future public spending cuts. This environment suggests that demand for discretionary support would at least remain the same, if not increase in 2008/09.

So should we expect the analysis to show an increase in the number of dLS awards made in the year? Not necessarily, as provider behaviour can mask underlying demand pressures. For example, in the face of strongly rising demand for all discretionary support providers may choose to vire funding into funding lines that have experienced the greatest increase in demand. This may then manifest itself as increases in the number of awards for certain funding lines and decreases in others. The latter does not mean that demand has decreased; rather it reflects provider behaviour combined with the inappropriate use of awards as a proxy for demand. As such care needs to be exercised when formulating conclusions from this analysis.

Background information

What is discretionary learner support?

The purpose of discretionary learner support funding is to provide exceptional financial support to learners aged 16 and above, who are experiencing difficulty with meeting the costs associated with learning. It is administered by individual institutions within guidance and requirements provided by the LSC. In recent years government policy has sought to shape dLS funding in such a way that it complements nationally administered entitlements such as the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) for young people or the Adult Learning Grant for older learners. The aim of all learner support is to maximise the participation, achievement, and retention of learners within further education.

Discretionary funding aims to help learners with costs they may incur when starting or following a course. These costs include books and equipment, extra charges for visits or field trips, or personal circumstances such as childcare costs, travel expenses and emergencies. This support is intended to provide an effective safety net for disadvantaged learners from low-income households who wish to remain in education. The funding should not, however, be used to pay weekly attendance allowances, achievement or attendance bonuses or make awards solely on income without identifying whether there is any specific financial need.

Currently, dLS comprises three main lines of funding:

- Hardship Funding (16-18 and 19+) Hardship funding has historically provided for indirect costs associated with learning which include transport costs, books and equipment;
- 20 plus Childcare Funding 20+ childcare is designed to help learners with the costs of childcare whilst in learning; those under the age of 20 are catered for by the national 'Care to Learn' scheme; and
- Residential Bursaries (16-18 and 19+) Residential bursaries are allocated to 51 providers
 of specialist provision mainly in the land based or art and design sectors.

Discretionary funding is available to learners studying LSC funded Further Education (FE) provision in Colleges, External Institutions (Els), Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), School Sixth Forms and Sixth Form Colleges. It cannot, however, be used to support learners studying LSC funded provision from adult and community learning (ACL), Ufi or work-based learning (WBL).

Providers use their discretion when providing support to learners and this discretion must be in accordance with the Discretionary Funding Guidance and Requirements document produced annually by the LSC.

Priority groups and eligibility

The primary priority group for dLS funding are learners who are economically or socially disadvantaged, who need support with transport, childcare or associated learning costs and are facing financial difficulty. Below this primary priority criterion is a further strata of prioritisation which focuses on groups currently under-represented in further education so as to secure participation and attainment in priority learning for the following. The groups are:

- those in care or recently left care
- those on probation;
- young parents and those who are considered to be at risk;

- those eligible for fee remission because they are themselves, or they are a dependant of someone else who is, receiving a means tested state benefit or Tax credit;
- adults undertaking a full first level 2 qualification;
- learners aged 19-25 undertaking a full first level 3 qualification;
- learners taking a skills for life programme of study;
- learners with learning difficulties and/or disabilities; and
- those who are medically ill.

As with much of the financial support available to learners in further education dLS is not an entitlement, and strict eligibility criteria apply. For a learner to be eligible for dLS funding they must satisfy residency eligibility criteria, be 16 or over and have been accepted onto and be studying a programme of learning funded by the LSC.

Providers need to have written criteria for how they distribute discretionary funding, including arrangements for assessing a learner's income – where relevant – and a procedure for learners to appeal. The criteria must be made widely available and must apply principles of equality and diversity.

Also when making a decision about awarding dLS funding providers must first consider the availability of other strands of financial support for learners (including support funding through DWP and Jobcentre Plus) ahead of consideration of use of the discretionary funds.

Funding dLS

The initial 2008/09 budget for discretionary support funding (that is, 16-18 and 19+ Hardship, 20+ Childcare and Residential Bursaries) was approximately £112 million. This was broken down into £31.8 million (28 per cent) for young learners and £80.4 million (72 per cent) for adult learners. Within the fiscal year, however, supplementary or additional funding can be (and indeed was) routed through dLS funding lines which boost the overall funds available to support learners.

Each year the Learning and Skills Council allocates dLS funding to the nine regional LSC's using a national allocations model. The regional LSC's either distribute these funds to the 47 local LSC's who then pass the funding down to individual providers, or distribute funds directly to individual providers. The provider allocations may take into consideration both national and local factors. Within a fiscal year a provider may return monies to the LSC who can then reallocate the funds to other providers, if required. Providers are entitled to use up to five per cent of their total dLS funding allocation towards administrative costs.

Discretionary learner support funding originates from the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) and the Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS), who have particular responsibility for young people and adult learners respectively. Budget arrangements for these groups of learners are now distinct and as such there can be no vireing of support funds between young and adult learners.

Providers must also have administrative procedures that record the details of learner applications for financial assistance; account for the discretionary funds distributed; and identify unspent funds at the end of the academic year. Furthermore, it is also a mandatory requirement that providers submit accurate management information on the decisions made when allocating discretionary learner support funding to individuals; this information is collected through completion of a mandatory field of the Individualised Learner Record and by completing a financial reconciliation/monitoring form.

Policy changes in 2008/09

There have been a number of key developments in 2008/09 that are likely to affect the findings of the analysis of the annual dLS MI returns.

2008/09 is the first full year where vireing of dLS funding between young people and adult funding has not been able to take place. Anecdotally, this has had a significant effect on a provider's ability to support learners, for example when demand for funding is lower than the allocation in one age group but higher than the allocation in the other age group.

There was a major tightening of guidance in relation to support with costs for transport for learners aged 16-19 in the 2008/09 Discretionary Funding Guidance and Requirements document. Paragraphs 7.1 to 7.3 reminds providers of the responsibility that Local Authorities (LAs) have in respect of travelling expenses for 16-19 year old learners as originally set out in section 509 of the Education Act 1996; the guidance also explicitly reproduces the text from the Education Act 2002, Schedule 19, section 509AA for emphasis. The guidance goes on to state that dLS funding must not be used to subsidise the LAs statutory duty for transport provision for learners aged 16-19, except in exceptional circumstances. Additionally, the 2008/09 guidance also provides more direction and greater detail on the disbursement of discretionary funding for hardship support and 20+ childcare support.

The LSC Learner Support Directorate changed the way it manages its financial support to learners in 2008. Previously all the support schemes (which include the Education Maintenance Allowance, Adult Learning Grant, Care to Learn, Dance and Drama Awards, 6th Form Childcare and Residential Support Scheme) were delivered and administered through separate supplier arrangements; this has now been streamlined so that a single contractor now oversees all the schemes. Between the end of the previous arrangements and the commencement of the single Helpline Assessment and Payment Body there was a period of transition which, in the autumn of 2008, resulted in learners not receiving their EMAs on time. Despite learners eventually receiving their full backdated EMA many providers, attempting to avoid any learner drop out as a consequence of the delay, accessed the dLS hardship funding line to compensate learners for the delayed EMA payments. This was in line with a statement issued by national LSC to providers. Some providers did this as a loan and some did not, however, their actions may have affected the pattern of 16-18 hardship funding in 2008/09.

The new Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work (FCTLW) scheme was rolled out nationally in April 2009. This scheme, targeted at low income families with children where one of the parents is working, supports the other parent (aged 20 years and over) by paying for childcare and travel costs while they are undertaking learning leading to work. In December 2008, an extra £6 million of funding for supporting learners with the costs of childcare was routed through dLS. These funds were distributed to all regions apart from the South West (who were offered but refused it) and whilst being routed through 20+ childcare was treated as a distinct funding line referred to as additional 20+ dLS childcare. As the additional 20+ childcare funding was to be treated as a distinct funding line and as it was introduced late in 2008 it is possible that its introduction may have affected the expenditure pattern of (the initial) 20+ childcare funding line.

Post April 2010

The Machinery of Government changes mean that the Learning and Skills Council will be dissolved in April 2010 and replaced by two new funding agencies – the Young People's Learning Agency (YPLA) and the Skills Funding Agency (SFA). As is the case now the funding for dLS will continue to come from DCSF for learners aged 16-18 and BIS for learners aged 19+.

The current LSC Learner Support Directorate will move to the YPLA. From April 2010 dLS funding will be distributed directly to providers from the YPLA; this will be underpinned through the introduction of a new national allocations model which is currently being designed by the LSC.

Annex C of the latest Discretionary Funding Guidance and Requirements 2009/10 document published in May 2009 reports that both the DCSF and BIS are currently reviewing their learner support arrangements and that the LSC has commissioned a contractor to evaluate discretionary learner support. The purpose of these evaluations is to provide up-to-date evidence of the impact and effectiveness of dLS so as to inform how such support is provided in the future.

The national dLS picture in 2008/09

This section summarises the key national findings on dLS expenditure in 2008/09; more detailed information can be found in Appendix A.

National allocation and expenditure

The total national allocation of dLS funds available to learners in 2008/09 was £124,999,680; this amount comprised 16-18 and 19+ hardship funding, 16-18 and 19+ residential bursary funding, 20+ and additional 20+ childcare funding, 16-19 and 19+ supplementary discretionary support funding, discretionary ESOL funding, and 16-18 and 19+ loans repaid by learners as reported on regional LSC returns. This was up £384,082 (or 0.3 per cent) on the 2007/08 allocation – see table 1. In 2008/09 there was an annual dLS under spend of £1,397,695 compared with £3,645,948 in 2007/08. The net under spend expressed as a percentage of total funds available fell from 2.9 per cent in 2007/08 to 1.1 per cent in 2008/09.

Table 1: Overview of national dLS allocation and expenditure in 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Total funds available	£124,615,598	£124,999,680 ¹	0.3%
Total expenditure on dLS support	£115,041,535	£117,646,670	2.3%
Administrative expenditure ²	£5,928,115	£5,955,315	0.5%
Net under spend	£3,645,948	£1,397,695	N/A

Note: ¹ This figure varies from the initial budget figure of £112 million on page 8 for various reasons; it includes extra funding allocated during the fiscal year, including the extra funding put into 20+ childcare, extra funds allocated from repayment of loans including EMA loans, and funds for ESOL which were paid out during the year.

Note: ² The maximum amount for administration is specified to be a maximum of five per cent on the total allocation.

According to regional LSC returns the initial 2008/09 national dLS allocation was £117,252,384 with a total of £3,169 being returned to the local LSC during the course of the year. A further £3,884,110 of supplementary discretionary support funding was awarded by Local LSCs during the year (£328,273 for 16-18 learners and £3,555,837 for 19+ learners). There was also a further £6 million routed through 20+ childcare as additional 20+ childcare in late 2008 which intended to support childcare costs for a specified sub-group of adult learner; however, due confusion between the two funding lines the regional LSC returns reported the additional 20+ childcare funding allocation as £3,713,506. It is possible that some of the £6 million additional 20+ childcare may have been designated as 19+ supplementary discretionary supporting funding awarded by Local LSC during the course of the year. There was also £152,849 of loans repaid by learners (including EMA loans).

Administration expenditure rose by 0.5 per cent in 2008/09; however, despite the maximum administration expenditure being set at five per cent of the annual dLS allocation the actual percentage spent on administration in 2008/09 was 4.8 per cent.

London had the largest amount of funding available for dLS support and also had the highest level of expenditure in 2008/09 – see figure 1. The second and third highest funding allocations in 2008/09 occurred in the North West region and the West Midlands region, respectively, with East of England region having the smallest amount of funding made available for dLS support.

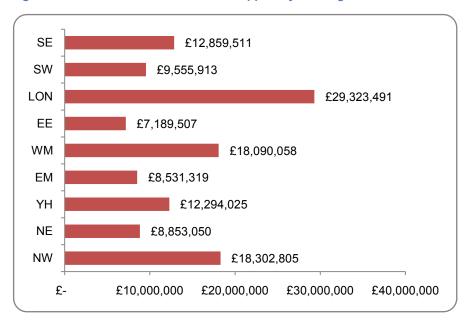


Figure 1: Total funds available for dLS support by LSC region in 2008/09

Table 2 shows actual dLS expenditure and total LSC programme expenditure in 2008/09 by region. Discretionary learner support expenditure in 2008/09 was on average one per cent of total LSC programme expenditure. London, the West Midlands and the North West regions all demonstrated higher than average dLS expenditure as a proportion of total regional programme expenditure; interestingly these three regions also had the largest amount of dLS funding available for learners in 2008/09.

Table 2: Total LSC programme expenditure and dLS expenditure by region 2008/09

Region	Total dLS expenditure 2008/09	Total LSC programme expenditure 2008/09	dLS expenditure as % of total dLS expenditure 2008/09	LSC programme expenditure as % of total programme funding 2008/09	dLS expenditure as % of programme expenditure 2008/09
NW	£17,977,702	£1,685,784,000	15.3%	14.2%	1.1%
NE	£7,414,815	£710,177,000	6.3%	6.0%	1.0%
Y&H	£11,047,976	£1,139,728,000	9.4%	9.6%	1.0%
EM	£8,569,842	£982,607,000	7.3%	8.3%	0.9%
WM	£16,149,293	£1,382,545,000	13.7%	11.6%	1.2%
EE	£6,419,489	£1,142,084,000	5.5%	9.6%	0.6%
LON	£29,488,906	£1,966,508,000	25.1%	16.6%	1.5%
sw	£8,849,452	£1,073,507,000	7.5%	9.0%	0.8%
SE	£11,729,195	£1,789,005,000	10.0%	15.1%	0.7%
NATIONAL	£117,646,670	£11,871,945,000	100.0%	100.0%	1.0%

Note: LSC programme expenditure information comes from Making Skills Matter – The LSC's Annual Report and Accounts for 2008-09. Total LSC programme expenditure is the amount of money spent by the LSC on learning and skills programmes such as youth participation, adult safeguard learning, adult learner responsive, employer responsive, offender learning and learner support.

There was a 2008/09 national under spend of dLS support of £1,397,695 (including expenditure on administration). Figure 2 shows the over and under spend for the nine LSC regions; this shows that the London, North West and East Midlands regions all overspent in 2008/09 whilst both the West Midlands and North East regions had an under spend in excess of a million pounds.

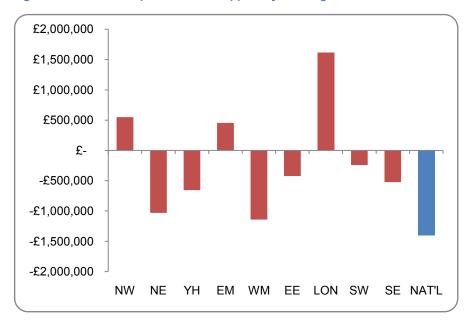


Figure 2: Under/over spend on dLS support by LSC region in 2008/09

Note: Providers may report an over spend but this is not necessarily met from dLS funds. This may be met from other sources including their own resources.

National dLS funding lines

The national 2008/09 expenditure on dLS support was £123,601,985, of which:

- £24,122,001 was spent on 16-18 hardship (including school sixth form);
- £38,223,018 was spent on 19+ hardship (including FE in HEIs);
- £4,927,951 was spent on 16-18 residential bursaries;
- £2,159,918 was spent on 19+ residential bursaries;
- £41,845,361 was spent on 20+ childcare;
- £2,342,282 was spent on additional 20+ childcare;
- £4,026,139 was spent on discretionary 19+ ESOL; and
- £5,955,315 was spent on administration.

Figure 3 illustrates the distribution of total (or national) dLS expenditure in 2008/09 by young people, adult and administration spending categories. This shows that in 2008/09 the largest share of dLS expenditure was on adult support which accounted for 71.7 per cent of total dLS expenditure.

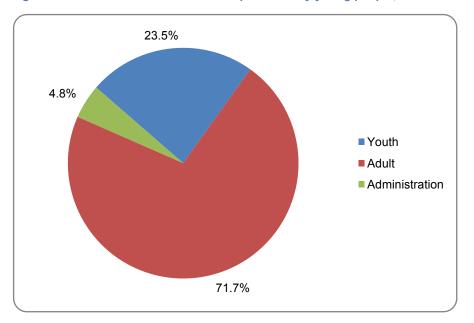


Figure 3: Distribution of national dLS expenditure by young people, adult and administration in 2008/09

Table 3 shows dLS expenditure by funding lines for 2007/08 and 2008/09. The largest annual increase in expenditure occurred in 19+ residential bursaries which increased by 46.5 per cent in the year to 2008/09 whilst the biggest reduction in expenditure occurred in 19+ hardship expenditure which fell by 5.4 per cent. It is worth noting that the 19+ residential bursary allocation in 2007/08 was around £2.1 million and was under spent by almost 30 per cent; thus the large percentage rise in 19+ residential bursary expenditure in 2008/09 can be explained by a sharp reduction in the under spend of 19+ residential bursary funds.

Table 3: Breakdown of dLS expenditure by funding line in 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
16-18 hardship (including SSF)	£24,265,283	£24,122,001	-0.6%
19+ hardship (including FE in HEIs)	£40,420,337	£38,223,018	-5.4%
16-18 residential bursary	£4,872,417	£4,927,951	1.1%
19+ residential bursary	£1,474,785	£2,159,918	46.5%
20+ childcare (including additional 20+ childcare)	£40,035,210	£41,845,361	4.5%
19+ ESOL	£3,973,502	£4,026,139	1.3%
Administration	£5,928,115	£5,955,315	0.5%

Table 4 shows that national expenditure (excluding administration) on young people dLS support in 2008/09 was £29,049,952 (24.7 per cent) whilst for adults was £88,596,718 (75.3 per cent). Figure 4 shows the distribution of dLS expenditure in 2008/09 by funding line.

Table 4: dLS funding line expenditure as a percentage of total expenditure (excluding administration) in 2008/09

	Total dLS expenditure (exc. Admin)	% of total dLS expenditure (exc. Admin)	% of young people dLS expenditure (exc. Admin)	% of adult dLS expenditure (exc. Admin)
16-18 hardship (including SSF)	£24,122,001	20.5%	83.0%	N/A
19+ hardship (including FE in HEIs)	£38,223,018	32.5%	N/A	43.1%
16-18 residential bursary	£4,927,951	4.2%	17.0%	N/A
19+ residential bursary	£2,159,918	1.8%	N/A	2.4%
20+ childcare	£41,845,361	35.6%	N/A	47.2%
Additional 20+ childcare	£2,342,282	2.0%	N/A	2.6%
19+ ESOL	£4,026,139	3.4%	N/A	4.5%

Figure 4: Distribution of national dLS expenditure by funding line in 2008/09

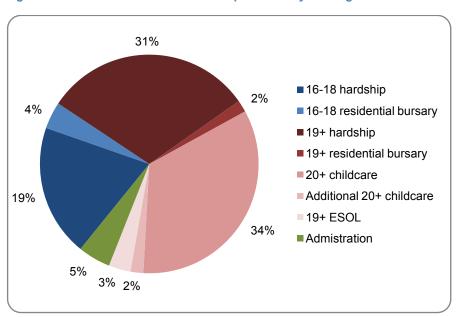


Table 5 provides a summary of the expenditure, number of awards and the average award for the various dLS funding lines in 2008/09.

Table 5: Summary of dLS expenditure, awards made and average award in 2008/09

	Total expenditure	Awards made*	Average award
16-18 hardship (including SSF)	£24,122,001	293,906	£82.10
19+ hardship (including FE in HEIs)	£38,223,018	335,098	£114.10
16-18 residential bursary	£4,927,951	3,640	£1,353.80
19+ residential bursary	£2,159,918	1,825	£1,183.50
20+ childcare FT (including additional 20+ childcare)	£30,537,850	22,902	£1,333.40
20+ childcare PT (including additional 20+ childcare)	£13,649,793	22,625	£603.30

Note: * The 20+ childcare funding line actually reports the number of children supported by full-time (FT) and part-time (PT) learner and not the number of awards made.

The two largest dLS expenditure funding lines in 2008/09 were 20+ childcare and 19+ hardship, which accounted for 35.6 per cent and 32.5 per cent, respectively, of total dLS expenditure. The

distribution of dLS expenditure (excluding administration) by funding line in 2008/09 remained broadly similar to that in 2007/08 – see figure 5.

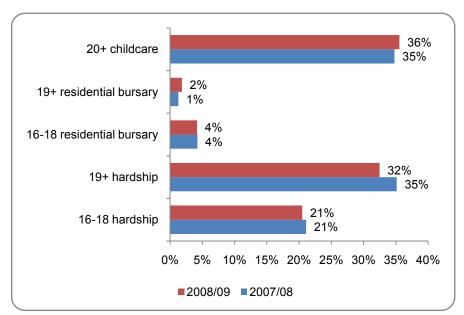


Figure 5: Distribution of national dLS expenditure by funding line in 2007/08 and 2008/09

Analysis of the 2008/09 pattern of over and under spend by funding line showed that young people's dLS support had an overall under spend (against initial allocation), as had adult support; however, as providers could move funding into, and out of, 19+ hardship into adult childcare, the overall under spend of adult dLS expenditure was achieved through the vireing of substantial funds (estimated to be around £8 million) from 19+ hardship into 20+ childcare – see figure 6.

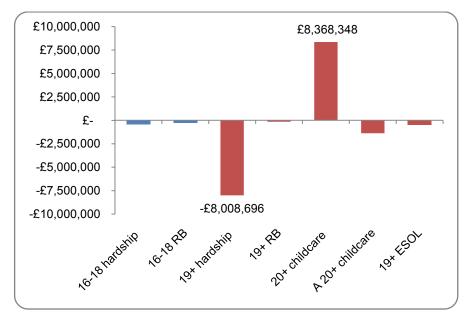


Figure 6: Under/over spend on dLS support by funding line (against initial allocations) in 2008/09

Note: RB is shorthand for residential bursaries and A 20+ childcare is shorthand for Additional 20+ childcare.

16-18 dLS in 2008/09

This section summarises the key findings on young people dLS expenditure in 2008/09; more detailed information can be found in Appendix B.

In 2008/09 some £30,159,166 was allocated nationally for 16-18 dLS support. Of this £29,049,952 was spent to support young learners (excluding administration costs) or 96.3 per cent of the total allocation. The 16-18 allocation accounted for 24.7 per cent of national dLS funds (excluding administration) in 2008/09.

16-18 Hardship (including SSF)

In 2008/09 (as in previous years) 16-18 hardship provided support for young learners in exceptional financial circumstances. These funds were not to be used to fund fees for 16-18 learners (with the exception of re-examination fees), and should not have been used to provide support with childcare costs for learners aged 16-18 as there was an expectation that these learners will be supported by the Care to Learn programme. Additionally, the funds were not to be used to subsidise LA's statutory duty for transport provision for learners aged 16-18, except in exceptional circumstances.

The total expenditure on 16-18 hardship (including school sixth form funding) in 2008/09 was £24,122,001 which was 83.0 per cent of total dLS expenditure on young people (excluding administration). Total 16-18 hardship expenditure in 2008/09 was slightly lower than that in 2007/08 but only by £143,282 (a reduction of 0.6 per cent).

The initial 2008/09 allocation of 16-18 hardship was £24,587,713, excluding the additional £328,273 of 16-18 supplementary discretionary support funding awarded during the course of the year. This implies an under spend of £465,712 (or 1.9 per cent) in 2008/09 on the initial annual allocation.

In 2008/09 16-18 hardship supported 293,906 awards covering 216,948 learners with an average award of £82.10. The number of awards for 16-18 hardship rose significantly by 27.1 per cent in 2008/09, consequently there was a reduction in the average 16-18 hardship award of 21.8 per cent between 2007/08 and 2008/09 – see table 6.

Table 6: Overview of 16-18 hardship information 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Awards (including SSF)	231,205	293,906	27.1%
Expenditure (including SSF)	£24,265,283	£24,122,001	-0.6%
Average expenditure (including SSF) per award	£105.00	£82.10	-21.8%

The 16-18 hardship expenditure category which demonstrated the most expenditure in 2008/09 was books and equipment followed by transport, which when combined represented almost two-thirds (63.4 per cent) of the total 16-18 hardship expenditure for the year – see figure 7.

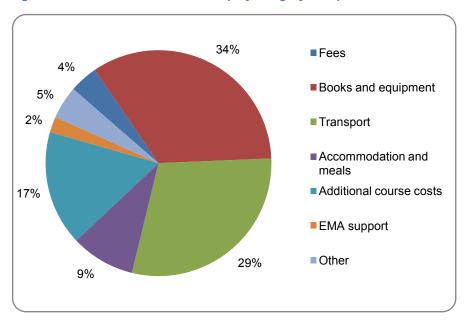


Figure 7: Distribution of 16-18 hardship by category of expenditure in 2008/09

In contrast transport was the category that had the highest absolute expenditure in 2007/08 followed by books and equipment. Expenditure rose in all spending categories in 2008/09 with the exception of transport which fell by 32.4 per cent – see figure 8.

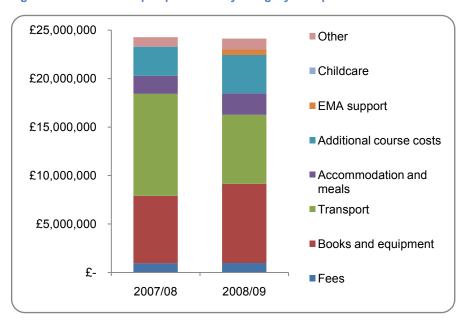


Figure 8: 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of expenditure in 2007/08 and 2008/09

Total expenditure to support transport costs fell significantly in 2008/09 (as did the average award for transport which fell by 44.7 per cent). The reduction in expenditure on transport appears to have been used to increased expenditure in all the other 16-18 hardship categories. As providers could no longer vire funds between youth and adult support (and given that 16-18 residential bursaries only apply to a small number of specialist colleges) it is unsurprising to see that as expenditure for transport decreased in 2008/09 this was accompanied by increased expenditure across the other hardship categories.

The reduction in 16-18 hardship expenditure for transport can, in part, be explained by stronger guidance published by the LSC which reminded providers that support for transport should only be awarded in exceptional circumstances, however, the number of 16-18 hardship awards categorised as transport actually rose by 15.7 per cent in 2008/09 from 72,832 in 2007/08 to

84,294 in 2008/09. A great many providers in 2008/09 commented that they had used 16-18 hardship funds to support learners with transport costs because of the delay in processing EMA payments that year. The large fall in the average award to support transport costs in 2008/09 (44.7 per cent) further supports that explanation.

The average 16-18 hardship award in 2008/09 showed regional variation around a national average of £82.10. London had the highest average award at £140.40 whilst the North West region had the lowest at £58.30 – see figure 9. Furthermore, in 2008/09, all LSC regions, except for London, showed a fall in the average 16-18 hardship award.



Figure 9: Average award for 16-18 hardship by LSC region in 2008/09

The range of the average 16-18 hardship award across LSC regions (that is the largest value minus the smallest) also increased from £43.40 in 2007/08 to £82.10 (that is £140.40 minus £58.30) in 2008/09.

The average award in London increased sharply from a 2007/08 value of £96.90 to £140.40; however, this, in part, may be explained by what was an unusually low level of expenditure in 2007/08 when the net under spend was some 40.6 per cent of the initial regional allocation.

Figure 10 shows the two largest 16-18 hardship expenditure categories in 2008/09 – books and equipment and transport – by LSC region. Nationally, the percentage of hardship expenditure supporting books and equipment (33.9 per cent) was higher than that for transport (29.5 per cent). All the LSC regions demonstrated this pattern except the South East and East Midlands regions.

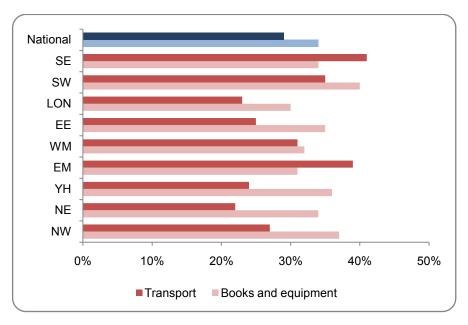


Figure 10: Percentage of 16-18 hardship expenditure on books and equipment and transport by LSC region in 2008/09

All the LSC regions in 2008/09, except London, demonstrated a reduction in the total expenditure used to support transport – see figure 11 – and all regions, except London and the South East region, showed a fall in the average award for transport in this period. It is concerning, however, that the number of 16-18 awards to support transport costs rose in all regions except for London and East Midlands region.

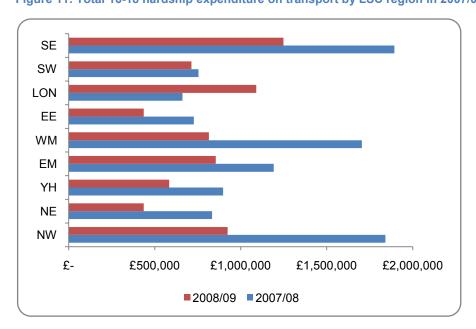


Figure 11: Total 16-18 hardship expenditure on transport by LSC region in 2007/08 and 2008/09

Analysis of the comments made by providers indicates that providers were keen to emphasise that the decisions made regarding 16-18 hardship awards were in line with LSC guidance. Learners that received an award tended to come from a low income background (some from a low income family) with many of them on means tested benefits. Providers awarded hardship support to learners whose EMA payments were delayed and towards learners' UCAS fees and/or university visits.

Certain providers seemed to have policies that defined what an exceptional circumstance for transport costs was. Support with transport costs tended to be made by providers to learners that

had a delay in their EMA payment (which they used for travel), where local authority transport support was non-existent or limited, where learners in severe hardship were in danger of dropping out of study, and where the distance learners needed to travel was excessive (thus leading to high transport costs). Some providers also provided support with transport costs on the grounds of medical reasons, for work placements, for higher education interviews and open days and for short-term emergencies such as lost/delayed bus passes and where a parent could not provide transportation for the learner for a short period of time. There were also some providers that were under the impression that no support could be given towards transport costs for 16-18 learners.

Providers also awarded 16-18 hardship awards for various enrichment activities (such as gym membership and cookery courses), for CRB checks, for various learner support and with certain healthcare needs (usually for new glasses).

16-18 Residential Bursaries

In 2008/09 there were 51 designated providers that received allocations of residential bursary funding. These monies were to support learners (aged 16-18) that attended specialist provision at land based colleges and colleges of Art and Design on courses which required a residential element. As such the funding was primarily to help towards accommodation costs. Daily travel support from these funds was only to be considered as a last resort and support for general hardship was prohibited.

The total expenditure on 16-18 residential bursary awards in 2008/09 was £4,927,951 which accounted for 17.0 per cent of the total dLS expenditure on young people (excluding administration). Total expenditure was 1.1 per cent higher than in 2007/08.

The initial 16-18 residential bursary allocation in 2008/09 (excluding any additional funding awarded during the year) was £5,199,741. This implies an under spend of £271,790 (or 5.2 per cent) on the initial allocation.

In 2008/09 16-18 residential bursary funding supported 3,640 awards with an average award of £1,354. Between 2007/08 and 2008/09 the number of awards fell by 4.5 per cent although the average award rose 5.9 per cent (from £1,279 in 20007/08 to £1,354 in £2008/09) – see table 7.

Table 7: Summary 16-18 residential bursary information 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Awards	3,810	3,640	-4.5%
Expenditure	£4,872,417	£4,927,952	1.1%
Average expenditure per award	£1,279	£1,354	5.9%

The largest 16-18 residential bursary expenditure category was, unsurprisingly, accommodation which accounted for 87.1 per cent of the total 16-18 residential bursary expenditure in 2008/09 – see figure 12.

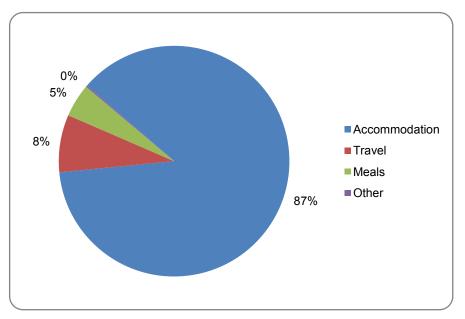


Figure 12: Distribution of 16-18 residential bursaries spend by category of expenditure in 2008/09

The London region was the only region that awarded its entire residential bursary funding for accommodation. East of England region had the lowest percentage of expenditure awarded to accommodation costs and, consequently, the highest percentage on daily travel (20.0 per cent) – see figure 13.

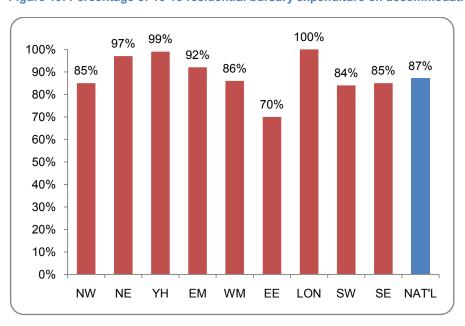


Figure 13: Percentage of 16-18 residential bursary expenditure on accommodation by LSC region in 2008/09

The distribution of 16-18 residential bursary expenditure showed that although broadly similar between 2007/08 and 2008/09 the percentage of expenditure awarded for accommodation rose from 83.1 per cent to 87.1 per cent, with the percentage shares falling in the other categories – see figure 14.

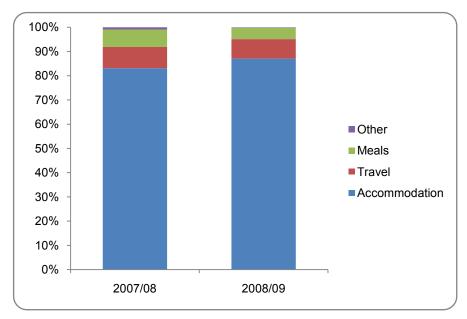


Figure 14: 16-18 residential bursary spend by category of expenditure in 2007/08 and 2008/09

In 2008/09 the North East region demonstrated the highest average 16-18 bursary award (at £3,063) whilst the South East region had the lowest (at £864) – see figure 15. London and the North East region showed significantly fewer awards than the other regions at 25 and 74, respectively.



Figure 15: Average award for 16-18 residential bursary by LSC region in 2008/09

19+ dLS in 2008/09

This section summarises the key findings on adult dLS expenditure in 2008/09. More detailed information can be found in Appendix C.

Nationally, in 2008/09 some £94,840,514 was allocated for 19+ dLS support. Of this £88,596,718 was spent to support learners (excluding administration costs) or 93.4 per cent of the total allocation. The 19+ dLS allocation represented 75.3 per cent of the national funding (excluding administration) for dLS support in 2008/09.

19+ Hardship (including FE in HEIs)

19+ hardship funds, in 2008/09 (as in previous years), were designed to provide support for learners in exceptional financial circumstances. The funds were not to be used to subsidise learner's tuition fees with the exception of those learners in a priority group not currently supported through the LSC's fee remission policy, or the learning was identified as responding to local skills priorities. Also, and as with 16-18 hardship funding, 19+ hardship funds were not to be used to provide support with childcare costs for learners aged 16-19 as there was an expectation that these learners will be supported by the Care to Learn programme.

The total expenditure on 19+ hardship (including FE in HEIs) in 2008/09 was £38,223,018 which represented 43.1 per cent of the total adult dLS expenditure (excluding administration expenditure) for that year. Total expenditure was 5.4 per cent lower than in 2007/08.

The initial 2008/09 allocation of 19+ hardship was £46,231,714 excluding the additional £3,555,837 19+ supplementary discretionary support funding awarded during the course of the year. This implies an under spend of £8,008,696 (or 17.3 per cent) on the initial annual allocation.

In 2008/09 19+ hardship supported 335,098 awards and covered 264,946 learners with an average award of £114.10. The number of awards rose by 4.5 per cent in 2008/09 although the average 19+ hardship award fell by 9.4 per cent – see table 8.

Table 8: Summary 19+ hardship information 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Awards (including FE in HEIs)	320,697	335,098	4.5%
Expenditure (including FE in HEIs)	£40,420,335	£38,223,018	-5.4%
Average expenditure (including FE in HEIs) per award	£126.00	£114.10	-9.4%

The largest 19+ hardship expenditure category in 2008/09 was fees followed by transport; these two categories accounted for 70.2 per cent of the total 19+ hardship expenditure in 2008/09 – see figure 16.

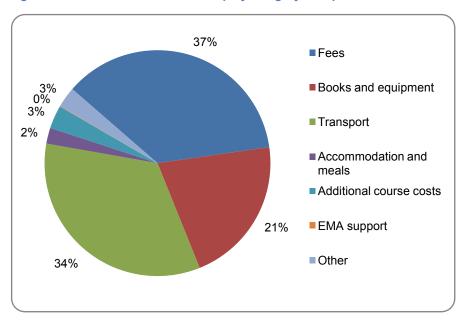


Figure 16: Distribution of 19+ hardship by category of expenditure in 2008/09

Note: There are occasions of learners aged 19 being eligible for EMA. EMA support for 19+ learners was reported in 2008/09 but was only 0.1 per cent of total expenditure. It is also worth noting that the regional LSC return forms are formatted in a manner, which although no 19+ EMA support was expected in 2008/09 there is a physical space on the form (next to the 16-18 EMA support field) which can, and indeed has been, used by providers to record 19+ EMA support.

Total expenditure awarded for fees and other costs fell by 11.0 per cent and 9.5 per cent, respectively, in 2008/09 but rose in the other categories (ignoring childcare and EMA support) with additional course expenditure rising by 27.8 per cent and books and equipment rising by 13.7 per cent – see figure 17.

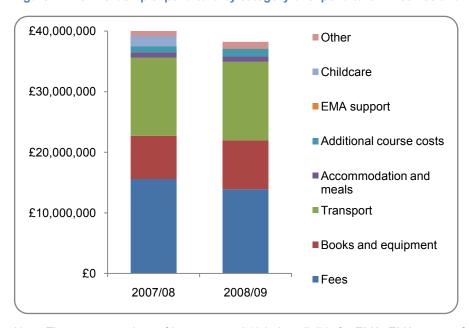


Figure 17: 19+ hardship expenditure by category of expenditure in 2007/08 and 2008/09

Note: There are occasions of learners aged 19 being eligible for EMA. EMA support for 19+ learners was reported in 2008/09 but was only 0.1 per cent of total expenditure. It is also worth noting that the regional LSC return forms are formatted in a manner, which although no 19+ EMA support was expected in 2008/09 there is a physical space on the form (next to the 16-18 EMA support field) which can, and indeed has been, used by providers to record 19+ EMA support.

The average 19+ hardship award in 2008/09 showed regional variation around a national average of £114.07. Yorkshire and Humber had the highest average award (£133.58) and West Midlands had the lowest (£88.82) – see figure 18.



Figure 18: Average award for 19+ hardship by LSC region in 2008/09

The range of the average 19+ hardship award across LSC regions increased from £34.96 in 2007/08 to £44.76 in 2008/09. The national average award fell by 9.4 per cent in 2008/09 and all LSC regions, except for London (which rose by 11.5 per cent) and Yorkshire and Humber (which rose by 0.8 per cent), showed a fall in their average award.

Figure 19 shows the two largest 19+ hardship expenditure categories in 2008/09 – fees and transport – by LSC region. Nationally, the percentage of 19+ hardship expenditure supporting fees was 36.3 per cent; however, the North West region was much higher at 52.0 per cent.



Figure 19: Percentage of 19+ hardship expenditure on books and equipment and transport by LSC region in 2008/09

Comments from providers indicated that they were keen to reiterate that 19+ hardship awards had been made in line with LSC guidance. Learners that received an award tended to be on means tested benefits and/or eligible for fees remission in accordance with LSC policy.

The main 19+ support was for tuition and examination fees for learners – the main reason cited being to increase access. Some providers also made awards towards UCAS application fees, university visits, and some supported learners aged 19 that experienced a delay in receiving their EMA payments.

Providers also awarded hardship awards for enrichment activities, for the cost of CRB checks, for basic necessities (including food, toiletries and clothes) to learners facing extreme circumstances (often this was in relation to being made homeless and/or during the re-housing process), for counselling and other learner support and for certain healthcare support (usually for new glasses). Some providers also allocated 19+ hardship funds towards aspects of childcare costs; however, this only occurred in exceptional and/or emergency situations.

19+ Residential Bursaries

There were 51 designated providers receiving allocations of residential bursary funding in 2008/09. This funding supported learners (aged 19+) who attended specialist provision at land based colleges and colleges of Art and Design on courses that required a residential element. The restrictions on expenditure are the same as for 16-18 residential bursary funds.

The total expenditure on 19+ residential bursary awards in 2008/09 was £2,159,918 which accounted for 2.4 per cent of the total adult dLS expenditure in that year (excluding administration). Expenditure was 46.5 per cent higher than in 2007/08. In 2007/08 the 19+ residential bursary allocation was around £2.1 million demonstrated an under spent of 29.6 per cent; thus the sharp rise in 19+ residential bursary expenditure in 2008/09 can be explained by a significant fall in the amount of allocated funds that were not spent.

The initial 19+ residential bursary allocation in 2008/09 was £2,313,108. This implies an under spend of £153,190 (or 6.2 per cent). This compares with an under spend of 29.6 per cent in 2007/08.

In 2008/09 19+ residential bursary funding supported 1,825 awards with an average award of £1,184. The number of awards made in 2008/09 rose by 37.4 per cent as did the average award which rose by 6.6 per cent – see table 9.

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Awards	1,328	1,825	37.4%
Expenditure	£1,474,785	£2,159,918	46.5%
Average expenditure per award	£1,111	£1,184	6.6%

The majority of residential bursary expenditure in 2008/09 was on accommodation (70.0 per cent) followed by daily travel (19.7 per cent) – see figure 20.

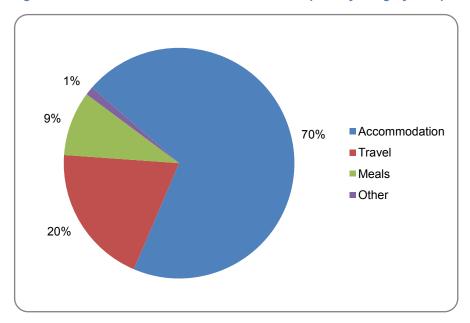


Figure 20: Distribution of 19+ residential bursaries spend by category of expenditure in 2008/09

Expenditure increased in all categories except other – see figure 21. The distribution of expenditure by category in 2008/09 is broadly similar to that in 2007/08 although the percentage of expenditure for meals rose from 3.6 per cent to 9.1 per cent.

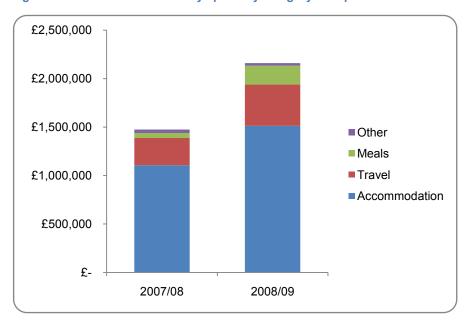


Figure 21: 19+ residential bursary spend by category of expenditure in 2007/08 and 2008/09

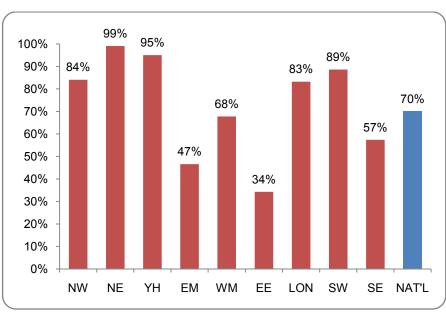
The North East region had the highest average 19+ residential bursary award (£3,421) whilst the London region had the lowest (£360) – see figure 22.



Figure 22: Average award for 19+ residential bursary by LSC region in 2008/09

The national percentage of 19+ residential bursary expenditure used to support accommodation was 70.0 per cent, however, comments indicated that at least one provider in the East of England region used funding categorised as 'other' to support learners with difficulties and/or disabilities in agreement with the local LSC. Such behaviour can, in part, explain regional differences in the percentage of 19+ residential bursary support awarded to different expenditure categories, for example accommodation – see figure 23.

Figure 23: Percentage of 19+ residential bursary expenditure awarded as accommodation by LSC region in 2008/09



20+ Childcare and additional 20+ Childcare

In 2008/09 (as in previous years) 20+ childcare funding was used to support learners aged 20 and above with the cost of formal childcare. In April 2009 a new childcare scheme was introduced – the Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work scheme – and this was designed to provide childcare support for low-income families with dependent children, where one parent was working and the other parent aged 20 years or over, was out of work and looking to participate in learning. When making childcare awards in 2008/09, 20+ childcare funding was not to be used to provide support with childcare costs for learners who were eligible for the Free Childcare for Training and Learning for Work Scheme and was also not to be used to top up any payments made from other childcare schemes such as Care to Learn or Sixth Form College Childcare Scheme. However, the additional 20+ childcare funding only became available to providers in late 2008.

20+ childcare support expenditure in 2008/09 was £41,845,361 and expenditure from the additional 20+ childcare funding line was £2,342,282 giving a total of £44,187,643 – see table 10. This combined expenditure is 10.2 higher than in 2007/08. Total childcare expenditure (that is 20+ childcare and additional 20+ childcare) in 2008/09 represented 50.0 per cent of total adult dLS expenditure (excluding administration expenditure).

Table 10: Summary 20+ adult childcare information 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
20+ childcare children supported – FT	17,190	22,902	33.2%
20+ expenditure – FT	£24,193,605	£30,537,850	26.2%
20+ average expenditure per child supported – FT	£1,407	£1,333	-5.2%
20+ childcare children supported – PT	25,945	22,625	-12.8%
20+ expenditure – PT	£15,841,606	£13,649,793	-13.8%
20+ average expenditure per child supported – PT	£611	£603	-1.3%

Note: This table provides aggregated information for both the 20+ childcare and additional 20+ childcare funding lines.

The combined 20+ childcare and additional 20+ childcare allocation in 2008/09 was £37,190,519; thus total 20+ childcare expenditure in 2008/09 showed an overspent of 18.8 per cent on the combined allocations. The 2008/09 percentage overspend for childcare (20+ and additional 20+ childcare) is very similar to the 2007/08 figure of 19.0 per cent.

In 2008/09 the combined expenditure on dLS childcare support (that is 20+ childcare and additional 20+ childcare) supported 22,902 children of full-time (FT) learners and 22,625 children of part-time (PT) learners – a total of 45,527 children. The average childcare award (correctly defined as expenditure per child supported) was £1,333.41 for a full-time learner, and for a part-time learner was £603.31.

There was an overall increase of 2,392 children supported through discretionary childcare support in 2008/09. The expansion in child numbers came predominantly through additional 20+ childcare learner support and 20+ childcare support for full-time learners.

Nursery/day care was the largest category of 20+ childcare expenditure for both full and part-time learners in 2008/09 – see figure 24.

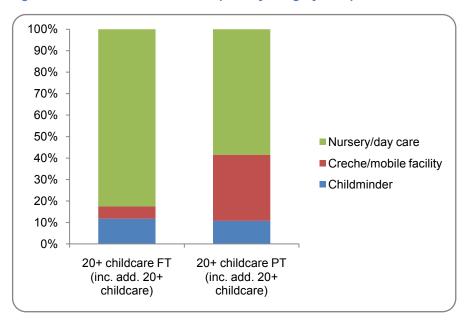


Figure 24: Distribution of childcare spend by category of expenditure in 2008/09

The average award for childcare support showed variation across LSC regions; unsurprisingly, at the national level the average 2008/09 childcare award was higher for full-time learners than for part-time learners – see figure 25.

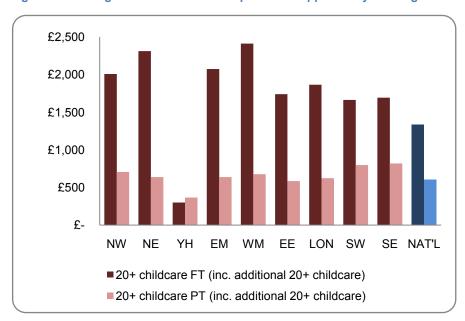


Figure 25: Average 20+ childcare award per child supported by LSC region in 2008/09

The Yorkshire and Humber region had an unusually low average childcare award for full-time learners (£299.05 – which was less than the average award for part-time learners), however, this was simply a continuation of a pattern of low childcare average awards for full-time learners in that region (£347.99 in 2007/08). The highest full-time average award was found in the West Midlands region (£2,410.57) and the part-time average award was in the South East region (£817.59).

There appeared to be a polarisation of provider opinion regarding the demand for childcare support; some reported that there was no unmet need whilst many stated that they had experienced significant excess (or unmet) demand for childcare support. Returning learners often needed childcare support, as did learners on longer courses, as a means to minimise their chances of dropping out of study. Some providers used the supplementary (in-year) funding to

support demand for childcare support and many reported that they had vired monies from 19+ hardship into 20+ childcare support to meet demand.

When looking to allocate additional 20+ childcare funding providers raised two main concerns, firstly, that some of their learners were ineligible due to their eligibility for FCTLW support, and secondly, due to the funding being disbursed late in 2008 many learners were already being supported from 20+ childcare funding.

Discretionary ESOL

Discretionary ESOL (English for Speakers of other Languages) funding in 2008/09 was used to support learners (aged 19+) whose first language was not English on an ESOL course. The funding was to be used to support course fees and exam fees but could not be used to support any other costs such as childcare or travel costs.

The total expenditure on discretionary ESOL in 2008/09 was £4,026,139 compared with £3,973,502 in 2007/08; this represented a rise of 1.3 per cent – see table 11. Although the number of awards rose in 2008/09 to 42,459 the average ESOL award dropped from £109.89 to £94.82. Total ESOL expenditure in 2008/09 accounted for 4.5 per cent of adult dLS expenditure.

Table 11: Summary discretionary 19+ ESOL information 2007/08 and 2008/09

	2007/08	2008/09	Percentage change
Awards	36,168	42,459	17.4%
Expenditure	£3,973,502	£4,026,139	1.3%
Average expenditure per award	£109.89	£94.82	-13.7%

The initial 2008/09 ESOL allocation was £4,502,241. This implies an under spend of 10.6 per cent on the initial allocation. This is somewhat surprising given the widely held belief that there was excess demand for ESOL support.

In 2008/09 56.6 per cent of discretionary ESOL expenditure supported low paid workers with 16.4 per cent supporting spouses – see figure 26. The distribution of ESOL expenditure by type of learner supported has remained broadly similar between 2007/08 and 2008/09 although support to low paid workers rose from 51.0 per cent to 55.6 per cent.

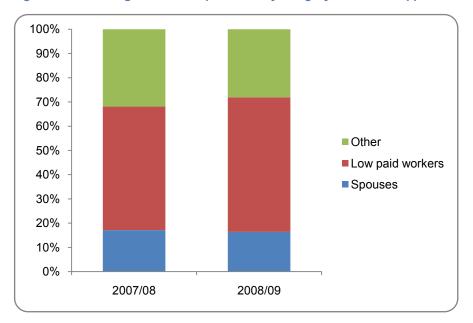


Figure 26: Percentage of ESOL expenditure by category of learner supported in 2007/08 and 2008/09

Unsurprisingly, as a consequence of its large cosmopolitan population, London had the highest ESOL expenditure (representing 35.6 per cent of the national ESOL expenditure) and made the most awards (representing 41.1 per cent of the national ESOL awards) in 2008/09. The North West region had the highest average ESOL award (£167.65) and the South West region had the lowest (£55.50) – see figure 27.



Figure 27: Average ESOL award by LSC region in 2008/09

Discretionary ESOL support tended to be used for course fees and registration fees. In addition to the two categories of learner supported – low paid workers and spouses – providers also awarded ESOL support to learners that were unemployed and/or not on any benefits. Providers also reported that there was a lack of knowledge about learner support schemes amongst this group of learners and that often there was difficulty (due to the language barrier) in providing evidence of eligibility for learner support. Some providers that had an under spend of discretionary ESOL funding expressed a wish to carry the under spend through into 2009/10.

Appendix A: National dLS allocation and expenditure

Table 12: National dLS allocations and expenditure by LSC region in 2008/09

Region	Total 16-18 received ¹	Total 16-18 available ²	Total 19+ received	Total 19+ available	Additional 20+ childcare	Total funds available	Total dLS expenditure	Admin	Net under spend ³
NW	£4,398,001	£4,412,713	£12,914,898	£12,971,779	£918,313	£18,302,805	£17,977,702	£874,961	-£549,858
NE	£2,692,950	£2,693,040	£5,897,836	£5,898,097	£261,913	£8,853,050	£7,414,814	£408,640	£1,029,596
Y&H	£3,357,945	£3,375,921	£8,327,211	£8,352,679	£565,425	£12,294,025	£11,047,976	£591,024	£655,025
EM	£2,703,763	£2,705,438	£5,513,977	£5,514,097	£311,784	£8,531,319	£8,569,842	£417,000	-£455,523
WM	£3,800,741	£3,807,029	£14,282,629	£14,283,029	£0	£18,090,058	£16,149,293	£798,168	£1,142,597
EE	£2,224,998	£2,227,318	£4,868,265	£4,869,863	£92,326	£7,189,507	£6,419,489	£347,545	£422,473
LON	£3,371,249	£3,372,395	£25,002,845	£25,006,666	£944,430	£29,323,491	£29,488,906	£1,446,771	-£1,612,186
SW	£3,621,062	£3,621,036	£5,930,274	£5,929,877	£5,000	£9,555,913	£8,849,452	£464,886	£241,575
SE	£3,936,018	£3,944,275	£8,291,832	£8,300,921	£614,315	£12,859,511	£11,729,195	£606,320	£523,996
NATIONAL	£30,106,727	£30,159,165	£91,029,767	£91,127,008	£3,713,506	£124,999,680	£117,646,670	£5,955,315	£1,397,695

Note: 1 Total received is the amount of funding allocated in each funding stream (including in-year supplementary support funding) but excluding loans repaid and funding returned to the Local LSC during the year

Note: ² Total available (to learners) is the amount of funding allocated in each funding stream (including in-year supplementary support funding) plus loans repaid (incoming) and funding returned to the Local LSC during the year (outgoing). For 19+ the analysis has treated additional 20+ childcare as a separate funding line.

Note: ³ A negative net under spend represents and actual overspend.

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Table 13: Summary of dLS expenditure on young people and adults by LSC region in 2008/09

	16-18 funds available	19+ funds available⁴	16-18 expenditure on dLS support	19+ expenditure on dLS support**	16-18 administration costs	19+ administration costs	Net 16-18 under spend*	Net 19+ under spend*
NW	£4,412,713	£13,890,092	£3,967,997	£14,009,705	£208,312	£666,649	£236,404	-£786,262
NE	£2,693,040	£6,160,010	£2,203,100	£5,211,714	£136,699	£271,941	£353,240	£676,355
Y&H	£3,375,921	£8,918,104	£3,039,467	£8,008,509	£156,425	£434,599	£180,030	£474,995
EM	£2,705,438	£5,825,881	£2,653,882	£5,915,960	£133,277	£283,723	-£81,721	-£373,802
WM	£3,807,029	£14,283,029	£3,049,593	£13,099,700	£138,221	£659,947	£619,215	£523,382
EE	£2,227,318	£4,962,189	£2,070,751	£4,348,738	£101,178	£246,367	£55,389	£367,084
LON	£3,372,395	£25,951,096	£4,729,957	£24,758,949	£328,708	£1,118,063	-£1,686,270	£74,084
sw	£3,621,036	£5,934,877	£3,341,077	£5,508,375	£165,752	£299,134	£114,207	£127,368
SE	£3,944,275	£8,915,236	£3,994,128	£7,735,067	£178,520	£427,801	-£228,373	£752,368
NATIONAL	£30,159,166	£94,840,514	£29,049,952	£88,596,718	£1,547,092	£4,408,224	-£437,878	£1,835,573

Note: ⁴ Adult expenditure and allocations include additional 20+ childcare.

Appendix B: 16-18 dLS summary tables

16-18 Hardship

Table 14: National 16-18 hardship expenditure (including school sixth form expenditure) by LSC region 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
NW	41,431	£4,229,282	17.4%	£102.10	58,238	£3,396,629	14.1%	£58.32
NE	23,611	£1,988,245	8.2%	£84.20	25,970	£1,976,477	8.2%	£76.11
YH	28,291	£2,367,955	9.8%	£83.70	29,921	£2,423,740	10.0%	£81.00
EM	23,615	£2,502,760	10.3%	£106.00	27,579	£2,179,140	9.0%	£79.01
WM	28,175	£3,416,201	14.1%	£121.20	35,624	£2,654,698	11.0%	£74.52
EE	15,211	£1,932,748	8.0%	£127.10	28,242	£1,772,859	7.3%	£62.77
LON	25,045	£2,427,631	10.0%	£96.90	33,148	£4,655,457	19.3%	£140.44
sw	14,756	£1,660,216	6.8%	£112.50	28,072	£2,030,902	8.4%	£72.35
SE	31,070	£3,740,245	15.4%	£120.40	27,112	£3,032,098	12.6%	£111.84
NATIONAL	231,205	£24,265,283	100.0%	£105.00	293,906	£24,122,000.7	100.0%	£82.07

Table 15: National 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	15,539	£941,427	3.9%	£60.58	14,607	£980,388	4.1%	£67.12
Books and equipment	73,989	£6,972,003	28.7%	£94.23	91,608	£8,172,386	33.9%	£89.21
Transport	68,539	£10,507,790	43.3%	£153.31	83,805	£7,107,354	29.5%	£84.81
Accommodation and meals	19,799	£1,880,342	7.7%	£94.97	41,082	£2,213,054	9.2%	£53.87
Additional course costs	38,332	£2,987,867	12.3%	£77.95	37,494	£3,971,576	16.5%	£105.93
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,365	£541,329	2.2%	£57.80
Childcare	77	£21,983	0.1%	£285.49	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	14,930	£953,871	3.9%	£63.89	15,945	£1,135,913	4.7%	£71.24

Table 16: North West region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	3,275	£102,679.00	2.4%	£31.35	3,400	£118,698	3.5%	£34.91
Books and equipment	14,970	£1,294,218.00	30.6%	£86.45	14,211	£1,261,681	37.1%	£88.78
Transport	10,665	£1,840,794.00	43.5%	£172.60	22,229	£923,917	27.2%	£41.56
Accommodation and meals	2,167	£328,748.00	7.8%	£151.71	6,587	£299,020	8.8%	£45.40
Additional course costs	7,799	£515,593.00	12.2%	£66.11	6,307	£510,241	15.0%	£80.90
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2,769	£111,109	3.3%	£40.13
Childcare	9	£2,719.00	0.1%	£302.11	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	2,546	£144,531.00	3.4%	£56.77	2,735	£171,963	5.1%	£62.87

Table 17: North East region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	1,390	£117,929	5.9%	£84.84	527	£18,180	0.9%	£34.50
Books and equipment	7,415	£544,919	27.4%	£73.49	8,460	£667,048	33.7%	£78.85
Transport	5,517	£834,435	42.0%	£151.25	2,945	£437,081	22.1%	£148.41
Accommodation and meals	3,957	£281,800	14.2%	£71.22	6,305	£320,963	16.2%	£50.91
Additional course costs	4,354	£160,383	8.1%	£36.84	4,385	£399,897	20.2%	£91.20
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,766	£65,045	3.3%	£36.83
Childcare	0	0	0.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	978	£48,779	2.5%	£49.88	1,582	£68,263	3.5%	£43.15

Table 18: Yorkshire and Humber region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	4,171	£257,526	10.9%	£61.74	1,813	£46,210	1.9%	£25.49
Books and equipment	8,443	£692,170	29.2%	£81.98	9,499	£860,879	35.5%	£90.63
Transport	6,259	£898,463	37.9%	£143.55	5,213	£585,050	24.1%	£112.23
Accommodation and meals	2,812	£153,454	6.5%	£54.57	6,466	£373,913	15.4%	£57.83
Additional course costs	4,902	£309,638	13.1%	£63.17	4,836	£414,527	17.1%	£85.72
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,193	£54,444	2.2%	£45.64
Childcare	6	£2,144	0.1%	£357.33	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	1,698	£54,560	2.3%	£32.13	901	£88,718	3.7%	£98.47

Table 19: East Midlands region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	411	£22,774	0.9%	£55.41	601	£19,565	0.9%	£32.55
Books and equipment	6,478	£781,616	31.2%	£120.66	8,262	£676,851	31.1%	£81.92
Transport	7,577	£1,192,468	47.6%	£157.38	6,602	£855,325	39.3%	£129.56
Accommodation and meals	1,651	£246,208	9.8%	£149.13	5,245	£300,751	13.8%	£57.34
Additional course costs	2,767	£156,877	6.3%	£56.70	2,737	£224,561	10.3%	£82.05
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	314	£34,722	1.6%	£110.58
Childcare	1	£174	0.0%	£174.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	4,730	£102,643	4.1%	£4.35	3,818	£67,365	3.1%	£17.64

Table 20: West Midlands region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	2,090	£92,298	2.7%	£44.16	1,780	£75,271	2.8%	£42.29
Books and equipment	8,460	£768,334	22.5%	£90.82	10,588	£848,820	32.0%	£80.17
Transport	11,292	£1,704,022	49.9%	£150.91	6,973	£815,740	30.7%	£116.99
Accommodation and meals	1,502	£289,546	8.5%	£192.77	8,883	£248,604	9.4%	£27.99
Additional course costs	3,476	£445,806	13.0%	£128.25	4,583	£393,152	14.8%	£85.78
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	858	£104,824	3.9%	£122.17
Childcare	19	£5,732	0.2%	£301.68	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	1,336	£110,463	3.2%	£82.68	1,959	£168,287	6.3%	£85.90

Table 21: East of England region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	800	£68,166	3.5%	£85.21	977	£108,061	6.1%	£110.60
Books and equipment	4,528	£587,638	30.4%	£129.78	5,340	£618,206	34.9%	£115.77
Transport	4,910	£727,965	37.7%	£148.26	16,232	£436,584	24.6%	£26.90
Accommodation and meals	771	£158,520	8.2%	£205.60	673	£140,142	7.9%	£208.23
Additional course costs	3,551	£314,670	16.3%	£88.61	3,211	£265,429	15.0%	£82.66
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	301	£29,231	1.6%	£97.11
Childcare	7	£305	0.0%	£43.57	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	644	£75,484	3.9%	£117.21	1,508	£175,206	9.9%	£116.18

Table 22: London region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	1,266	£86,477	3.6%	£68.31	1,282	£410,615	8.8%	£320.29
Books and equipment	9,178	£800,563	33.0%	£87.23	17,913	£1,386,788	29.8%	£77.42
Transport	3,068	£661,782	27.3%	£215.70	2,492	£1,090,754	23.4%	£437.70
Accommodation and meals	6,009	£276,890	11.4%	£46.08	4,293	£307,585	6.6%	£71.65
Additional course costs	4,232	£419,271	17.3%	£99.07	5,404	£1,232,721	26.5%	£228.11
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	466	£41,204	0.9%	£88.42
Childcare	28	£6,150	0.3%	£219.64	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	1,264	£176,498	7.3%	£139.63	1,298	£185,790	4.0%	£143.14

Table 23: South West region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	910	£38,954	2.3%	£42.81	2,954	£98,823	4.9%	£33.45
Books and equipment	4,826	£489,238	29.5%	£101.38	7,998	£814,515	40.1%	£101.84
Transport	5,455	£755,249	45.5%	£138.45	12,733	£714,269	35.2%	£56.10
Accommodation and meals	459	£76,493	4.6%	£166.65	860	£96,264	4.7%	£111.93
Additional course costs	2,850	£277,260	16.7%	£97.28	2,722	£221,834	10.9%	£81.50
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	156	£13,146	0.6%	£84.27
Childcare	2	£553	0.0%	£276.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	254	£22,469	1.4%	£88.46	649	£72,051	3.5%	£111.02

Table 24: South East region 16-18 hardship expenditure by category of spend (including school sixth form) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	1,226	£154,624	4.1%	£85.21	1,273	£84,966	2.8%	£66.74
Books and equipment	9,691	£1,013,307	27.1%	£129.78	9,337	£1,037,598	34.2%	£111.13
Transport	13,796	£1,892,612	50.6%	£148.26	8,386	£1,248,633	41.2%	£148.89
Accommodation and meals	471	£68,683	1.8%	£205.60	1,770	£125,812	4.1%	£71.08
Additional course costs	4,401	£388,369	10.4%	£88.61	3,309	£309,215	10.2%	£93.45
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,542	£87,604	2.9%	£56.81
Childcare	5	£4,206	0.1%	£841.20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	1,480	£218,444	5.8%	£117.21	1,495	£138,270	4.6%	£92.49

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Table 25: National 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by LSC region 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
NW	531	£662,714	13.6%	£1248.05	441	£571,368	11.6%	£1,295.62
NE	135	£247,677	5.1%	£1834.64	74	£226,623	4.6%	£3,062.47
YH	327	£547,408	11.2%	£1674.03	287	£615,726	12.5%	£2,145.39
EM	392	£608,729	12.5%	£1552.88	256	£474,742	9.6%	£1,854.46
WM	368	£505,054	10.4%	£1372.43	390	£394,895	8.0%	£1,012.55
EE	180	£302,389	6.2%	£1679.94	300	£297,892	6.0%	£992.97
LON	24	£47,000	1.0%	£1958.33	25	£74,500	1.5%	£2,980.00
sw	864	£926,817	19.0%	£1072.70	754	£1,310,175	26.6%	£1,737.63
SE	989	£1,024,629	21.0%	£1036.03	1,113	£962,030	19.5%	£864.36
NATIONAL	3,810	£4,872,417	100%	£1278.85	3,640	£4,927,951	100%	£1,353.83

Table 26: National 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	2,045	£4,047,346	83.1%	£1,979.14	2,074	£4,290,407	87.1%	£2,068.66
Travel	1,203	£430,640	8.8%	£357.97	1,117	£397,135	8.1%	£355.54
Meals	467	£347,806	7.1%	£744.77	411	£230,052	4.7%	£559.74
Other	95	£46,625	1.0%	£490.79	38	£10,357	0.2%	£272.55

Table 27: North West region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	328	£548,901	82.8%	£1,673.48	300	£487,682	85.4%	£1,625.61
Travel	10	£3,239	0.5%	£323.90	7	£2,084	0.4%	£297.71
Meals	143	£108,947	16.4%	£761.87	134	£81,602	14.3%	£608.97
Other	50	£1,627	0.2%	£32.54	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 28: North East region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	130	£244,245	98.6%	£1,878.81	65	£218,841	96.6%	£3,366.78
Travel	2	£1,032	0.4%	£516.00	4	£885	0.4%	£221.25
Meals	3	£2,400	1.0%	£800.00	5	£6,897	3.0%	£1,379.40
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 29: Yorkshire and Humber region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	218	£484,365	88.5%	£2,221.86	255	£607,773	98.7%	£2,383.42
Travel	98	£47,037	8.6%	£479.97	32	£7,953	1.3%	£248.53
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Other	11	£16,006	2.9%	£1,455.09	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 30: East Midlands region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	194	£477,901	78.5%	£2,463.41	178	£435,742	91.8%	£2,447.99
Travel	81	£45,668	7.5%	£563.80	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Meals	110	£77,660	12.8%	£706.00	78	£39,000	8.2%	£500.00
Other	7	£7,500	1.2%	£1,071.43	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 31: West Midlands region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	254	£410,279	81.2%	£1,615.27	241	£339,762	86.0%	£1,409.80
Travel	0	0	0.0%	N/A	70	£44,645	11.3%	£637.79
Meals	114	£94,775	18.8%	£831.36	79	£10,488	2.7%	£132.76
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 32: East of England region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	117	£235,599	77.9%	£2,013.67	117	£209,758	70.4%	£1,792.80
Travel	63	£66,790	22.1%	£1,060.16	135	£58,659	19.7%	£434.51
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	48	£29,475	9.9%	£614.06
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 33: London region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	24	£47,000	100.0%	£1,958.33	25	£74,500	100.0%	£2,980.00
Travel	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 34: South West region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	401	£764,444	82.5%	£1,906.34	549	£1,099,559	83.9%	£2,002.84
Travel	393	£96,681	10.4%	£246.01	140	£150,506	11.5%	£1,075.04
Meals	62	£53,432	5.8%	£861.81	59	£59,143	4.5%	£1,002.42
Other	8	£12,260	1.3%	£1,532.50	6	£967	0.1%	£161.17

Table 35: South East region 16-18 residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	379	£834,612	81.5%	£2,202.14	344	£816,790	84.9%	£2,374.39
Travel	556	£170,193	16.6%	£306.10	729	£132,403	13.8%	£181.62
Meals	35	£10,592	1.0%	£302.63	8	£3,447	0.4%	£430.88
Other	19	£9,232	0.9%	£485.89	32	£9,390	1.0%	£293.44

Appendix C: 19+ dLS summary tables

19+ Hardship

Table 36: National 19+ hardship expenditure (including FE in HEIs) by LSC region 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
NW	50,484	£7,317,050	18.1%	£144.94	58,084	£6,798,556	17.8%	£117.05
NE	20,580	£2,787,008	6.9%	£135.42	20,484	£2,317,172	6.1%	£113.12
YH	29,890	£3,961,756	9.8%	£132.54	24,526	£3,276,075	8.6%	£133.58
EM	20,493	£2,576,221	6.4%	£125.71	22,208	£2,334,650	6.1%	£105.13
WM	55,910	£6,287,886	15.6%	£112.46	64,177	£5,700,142	14.9%	£88.82
EE	12,395	£1,829,223	4.5%	£147.58	14,776	£1,936,107	5.1%	£131.03
LON	93,587	£10,539,223	26.1%	£112.61	80,835	£10,154,380	26.6%	£125.62
sw	14,626	£2,111,060	5.2%	£144.34	23,405	£2,542,578	6.7%	£108.63
SE	22,732	£3,010,908	7.4%	£132.45	26,603	£3,163,358	8.3%	£118.91
NATIONAL	320,697	£40,420,335	100%	£126.04	335,098	£38,223,017	100%	£114.07

Table 37: National 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	139,825	£15,599,742	38.6%	£111.57	135,076	£13,889,941	36.3%	£102.83
Books and equipment	75,186	£7,120,927	17.6%	£94.71	83,010	£8,095,302	21.2%	£97.52
Transport	72,832	£12,909,207	31.9%	£177.25	84,294	£12,947,479	33.9%	£153.60
Accommodation and meals	8,749	£866,348	2.1%	£99.02	8,602	£868,948	2.3%	£101.02
Additional course costs	11,156	£991,318	2.5%	£88.86	14,615	£1,267,340	3.3%	£86.72
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	£27,017	0.1%	£129.89
Childcare	4,006	£1,688,075	4.2%	£421.39	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	8,943	£1,244,718	3.1%	£139.18	9,293	£1,126,990	2.9%	£121.27

Table 38: North West region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	27,640	£3,579,833	48.9%	£129.52	27,089	£3,533,542	52.0%	£130.44
Books and equipment	9,636	£846,732	11.6%	£87.87	10,575	£961,623	14.1%	£90.93
Transport	9,250	£1,942,622	26.5%	£210.01	15,061	£1,800,933	26.5%	£119.58
Accommodation and meals	844	£149,837	2.0%	£177.53	1,385	£162,236	2.4%	£117.14
Additional course costs	1,513	£116,674	1.6%	£77.11	2,979	£188,850	2.8%	£63.39
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	41	£2,505	0.0%	£61.10
Childcare	338	£540,679	7.4%	£1,599.64	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	1,263	£140,673	1.9%	£111.38	954	£148,867	2.2%	£156.05

Table 39: North East region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	12,628	£1,255,106	45.0%	£99.39	8,289	£710,323	30.7%	£85.69
Books and equipment	3,839	£438,695	15.7%	£114.27	4,721	£394,800	17.0%	£83.63
Transport	2,866	£790,634	28.4%	£275.87	4,238	£922,509	39.8%	£217.68
Accommodation and meals	232	£23,135	0.8%	£99.72	1,093	£79,983	3.5%	£73.18
Additional course costs	316	£27,802	1.0%	£87.98	1,718	£155,662	6.7%	£90.61
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	£1,869	0.1%	£143.77
Childcare	73	£117,025	4.2%	£1,603.08	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	626	£134,611	4.8%	£215.03	412	£52,025	2.2%	£126.28

Table 40: Yorkshire and Humber region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	11,282	£1,114,901	28.1%	£98.82	7,107	£673,394	20.6%	£94.75
Books and equipment	9,900	£1,068,149	27.0%	£107.89	8,618	£1,166,980	35.6%	£135.41
Transport	5,206	£1,007,608	25.4%	£193.55	5,730	£1,085,804	33.1%	£189.49
Accommodation and meals	1,441	£172,191	4.3%	£119.49	1,905	£160,036	4.9%	£84.01
Additional course costs	530	£75,700	1.9%	£142.83	668	£112,080	3.4%	£167.78
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	£1,144	0.0%	£95.33
Childcare	947	£388,054	9.8%	£409.77	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	584	£135,153	3.4%	£231.43	486	£76,637	2.3%	£157.69

Table 41: East Midlands region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	7,249	£548,355	21.3%	£75.65	6,804	£499,508	21.4%	£73.41
Books and equipment	5,175	£664,334	25.8%	£128.37	5,681	£727,799	31.2%	£128.11
Transport	5,976	£989,233	38.4%	£165.53	5,970	£904,139	38.7%	£151.45
Accommodation and meals	278	£64,041	2.5%	£230.36	1,307	£85,449	3.7%	£65.38
Additional course costs	1,070	£63,340	2.5%	£59.20	702	£54,531	2.3%	£77.68
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25	£7,975	0.3%	£319.00
Childcare	122	£160,842	6.2%	£1,318.38	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	623	£86,076	3.3%	£4.20	1,719	£55,249	2.4%	£32.14

Table 42: West Midlands region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	27,869	£3,115,320	49.5%	£111.78	31,296	£2,402,488	42.1%	£76.77
Books and equipment	10,474	£647,047	10.3%	£61.78	13,891	£917,113	16.1%	£66.02
Transport	13,755	£2,143,975	34.1%	£155.87	15,566	£1,943,069	34.1%	£124.83
Accommodation and meals	368	£55,635	0.9%	£151.18	498	£95,687	1.7%	£192.14
Additional course costs	1,010	£133,358	2.1%	£132.04	1,428	£154,344	2.7%	£108.08
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	£383	0.0%	£63.83
Childcare	1,593	£14,163	0.2%	£8.89	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	841	£178,388	2.8%	£212.11	1,492	£187,058	3.3%	£125.37

Table 43: East of England region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	5,644	£785,401	42.9%	£139.16	7,397	£778,530	40.2%	£105.25
Books and equipment	3,202	£321,820	17.6%	£100.51	3,711	£411,411	21.2%	£110.86
Transport	1,904	£434,036	23.7%	£227.96	2,150	£536,498	27.7%	£249.53
Accommodation and meals	126	£34,912	1.9%	£277.08	100	£69,034	3.6%	£690.34
Additional course costs	1,169	£126,098	6.9%	£107.87	903	£81,349	4.2%	£90.09
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	57	£10,204	0.5%	£179.02
Childcare	73	£78,618	4.3%	£1,076.96	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	277	£48,338	2.6%	£174.51	458	£49,081	2.5%	£107.16

Table 44: London region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	32,448	£3,367,683	32.0%	£103.79	26,293	£3,151,585	31.0%	£119.86
Books and equipment	22,434	£2,036,564	19.3%	£90.78	23,306	£2,240,460	22.1%	£96.13
Transport	25,728	£3,984,959	37.8%	£154.89	24,459	£4,047,971	39.9%	£165.50
Accommodation and meals	5,161	£286,872	2.7%	£55.58	1,625	£96,096	0.9%	£59.14
Additional course costs	3,061	£221,587	2.1%	£72.39	3,292	£335,065	3.3%	£101.78
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Childcare	707	£269,029	2.6%	£380.52	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	4,048	£372,529	3.5%	£92.03	1,860	£283,203	2.8%	£152.26

Table 45: South West region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	4,244	£748,020	35.4%	£176.25	8,356	£983,610	38.7%	£117.71
Books and equipment	5,572	£569,542	27.0%	£102.22	6,890	£639,784	25.2%	£92.86
Transport	3,178	£543,179	25.7%	£170.92	5,641	£708,218	27.9%	£125.55
Accommodation and meals	115	£19,172	0.9%	£166.71	231	£25,852	1.0%	£111.91
Additional course costs	1,318	£140,306	6.6%	£106.45	1,846	£104,990	4.1%	£56.87
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Childcare	88	£59,154	2.8%	£672.20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	111	£31,687	1.5%	£285.47	441	£80,123	3.2%	£181.68

Table 46: South East region 19+ hardship expenditure by category of spend (including FE in HEIs) 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Fees	10,821	£1,085,123	36.0%	£139.16	12,445	£1,156,960	36.6%	£92.97
Books and equipment	4,954	£528,044	17.5%	£100.51	5,617	£635,331	20.1%	£113.11
Transport	4,969	£1,072,961	35.6%	£227.96	5,479	£998,338	31.6%	£182.21
Accommodation and meals	184	£60,553	2.0%	£277.08	458	£94,575	3.0%	£206.50
Additional course costs	1,169	£86,453	2.9%	£107.87	1,079	£80,470	2.5%	£74.58
EMA support	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	54	£2,937	0.1%	£54.39
Childcare	65	£60,511	2.0%	£930.94	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other	570	£117,263	3.9%	£174.51	1,471	£194,747	6.2%	£132.39

19+ Residential Bursaries

Table 47: National 19+ residential bursary expenditure by LSC region 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
NW	71	£120,316	8.2%	£1,694.59	77	£132,442	6.1%	£1,720.03
NE	57	£85,508	5.8%	£1,500.14	54	£184,724	8.6%	£3,420.81
YH	76	£118,440	8.0%	£1,558.42	70	£158,255	7.3%	£2,260.79
EM	132	£95,582	6.5%	£724.11	126	£160,285	7.4%	£1,272.10
WM	51	£99,603	6.8%	£1,953.00	168	£197,430	9.1%	£1,175.18
EE	87	£134,973	9.2%	£1,551.41	171	£245,016	11.3%	£1,432.84
LON	168	£107,334	7.3%	£638.89	249	£89,741	4.2%	£360.41
sw	174	£174,826	11.9%	£1,004.75	272	£418,921	19.4%	£1,540.15
SE	512	£538,203	36.5%	£1,051.18	638	£573,105	26.5%	£898.28
NATIONAL	1,328	£1,474,785	100.0%	£1,110.53	1,825	£2,159,918	100.0%	£1,183.52

Table 48: National 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	518	£1,106,189	75.0%	£2,135.50	612	£1,512,482	70.0%	£2,471.38
Travel	616	£280,182	19.0%	£454.84	943	£425,844	19.7%	£451.58
Meals	89	£52,557	3.6%	£590.53	98	£49,871	2.3%	£508.89
Other	105	£35,857	2.4%	£341.50	172	£171,722	8.0%	£998.38

Table 49: North West region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	52	£109,117	90.7%	£2,098.40	49	£111,388	84.1%	£2,273.22
Travel	2	£1,132	0.9%	£566.00	1	£275	0.2%	£275.00
Meals	17	£9,856	8.2%	£579.76	27	£20,779	15.7%	£769.59
Other	0	£211	0.2%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 50: North East region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	49	£77,555	90.7%	£1,582.76	51	£183,079	99.1%	£3,589.78
Travel	1	£550	0.6%	£550.00	2	£775	0.4%	£387.50
Meals	7	£7,403	8.7%	£1,057.57	1	£870	0.5%	£870.00
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 51: Yorkshire and Humber region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	37	£93,365	78.8%	£2,523.38	55	£150,387	95.0%	£2,734.31
Travel	39	£21,802	18.4%	£559.03	15	£7,868	5.0%	£524.53
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Other	0	£3,273	2.8%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 52: East Midlands region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	28	£72,566	75.9%	£2,591.64	23	£74,716	46.6%	£3,248.51
Travel	54	£11,956	12.5%	£221.41	94	£81,069	50.6%	£862.44
Meals	14	£7,060	7.4%	£504.29	9	£4,500	2.8%	£500.00
Other	36	£4,000	4.2%	£111.11	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 53: West Midlands region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	44	£93,405	93.8%	£2,122.84	30	£133,915	67.8%	£4,463.83
Travel	0	0	0.0%	N/A	134	£55,449	28.1%	£413.80
Meals	7	£6,198	6.2%	£885.43	4	£8,066	4.1%	£2,016.50
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 54: East of England region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	79	£129,763	96.1%	£1,642.57	51	£84,035	34.3%	£1,647.75
Travel	8	£5,210	3.9%	£651.25	12	£15,181	6.2%	£1,265.08
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	108	£145,800	59.5%	£1,350.00

Table 55: London region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	36	£82,334	76.7%	£2,287.06	33	£74,699	83.2%	£2,263.61
Travel	132	£25,000	23.3%	£189.39	216	£15,042	16.8%	£69.64
Meals	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Other	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 56: South West region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	61	£139,816	80.0%	£2,292.07	163	£371,200	88.6%	£2,277.30
Travel	97	£11,341	6.5%	£116.92	90	£36,617	8.7%	£406.86
Meals	8	£6,746	3.9%	£843.25	9	£7,421	1.8%	£824.56
Other	8	£16,923	9.7%	£2,115.38	10	£3,683	0.9%	£368.30

Table 57: South East region 19+ residential bursary expenditure by category of spend 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 awards	2007/8 expenditure	2007/8 % expenditure	2007/8 average expenditure	2008/9 awards	2008/9 expenditure	2008/9 % expenditure	2008/9 average expenditure
Accommodation	132	£308,268	57.3%	£2,335.36	157	£329,063	57.4%	£2,095.94
Travel	283	£203,191	37.8%	£717.99	379	£213,568	37.3%	£563.50
Meals	36	£15,294	2.8%	£424.83	48	£8,235	1.4%	£171.56
Other	61	£11,450	2.1%	£187.70	54	£22,239	3.9%	£411.83

20+ Childcare

Table 58: National 20+ childcare expenditure by LSC region awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
NW	1,982	£3,847,961	15.9%	£1,941.45	2,328	£4,651,296	16.1%	£1,997.98
NE	686	£1,398,008	5.8%	£2,037.91	717	£1,625,764	5.6%	£2,267.45
YH	6,151	£2,140,489	8.8%	£347.99	8,517	£2,321,259	8.1%	£272.54
EM	1,228	£2,081,879	8.6%	£1,695.34	1,028	£2,139,744	7.4%	£2,081.46
WM	1,777	£3,782,002	15.6%	£2,128.31	1,883	£4,511,459	15.6%	£2,395.89
EE	586	£1,100,815	4.6%	£1,878.52	767	£1,337,284	4.6%	£1,743.53
LON	2,975	£6,627,719	27.4%	£2,227.80	4,490	£8,253,800	28.6%	£1,838.26
sw	647	£1,089,749	4.5%	£1,684.31	947	£1,571,415	5.5%	£1,659.36
SE	1,158	£2,124,983	8.8%	£1,835.05	1,416	£2,415,370	8.4%	£1,705.77
NATIONAL	17,190	£24,193,605	100.0%	£1,407.42	22,093	£28,827,391	100.0%	£1,304.82

Table 59: National 20+ childcare expenditure by LSC region awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Region	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
NW	2,049	£1,617,228	10.2%	£789.28	1,852	£1,284,113	9.9%	£693.37
NE	1,319	£819,521	5.2%	£621.32	1,340	£836,644	6.4%	£624.36
YH	8,989	£2,110,081	13.3%	£234.74	4,429	£1,590,489	12.2%	£359.11
EM	1,595	£1,174,529	7.4%	£736.38	1,282	£781,385	6.0%	£609.50
WM	2,679	£2,797,361	17.7%	£1,044.18	2,879	£1,910,034	14.7%	£663.44
EE	1,404	£668,289	4.2%	£475.99	966	£558,438	4.3%	£578.09
LON	5,824	£4,968,501	31.4%	£853.11	6,952	£4,379,331	33.6%	£629.94
sw	883	£779,692	4.9%	£883.00	960	£765,506	5.9%	£797.40
SE	1,203	£906,404	5.7%	£753.45	1,085	£912,030	7.0%	£840.58
NATIONAL	25,945	£15,841,606	100.0%	£610.58	21,745	£13,017,970	100.0%	£598.66

Table 60: National 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	1,823	£3,009,937	12.4%	£1,651.09	2,323	£3,412,681	11.8%	£1,469.08
Informal care	279	£148,641	0.6%	£532.76	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	1,313	£1,938,116	8.0%	£1,476.10	1,293	£1,616,331	5.6%	£1,250.06
Nursery/day care	13,775	£19,096,911	78.9%	£1,386.35	18,477	£23,798,379	82.6%	£1,288.00

Table 61: National 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	1,788	£1,721,301	10.9%	£962.70	2,453	£1,372,788	10.5%	£559.64
Informal care	280	£31,733	0.2%	£113.33	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	7,578	£3,390,227	21.4%	£447.38	10,364	£4,054,463	31.1%	£391.21
Nursery/day care	16,299	£10,698,345	67.5%	£656.38	8,928	£7,590,719	58.3%	£850.21

Table 62: North West region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	189	£252,426	6.6%	£1,335.59	272	£437,876	9.4%	£1,609.84
Informal care	46	£20,787	0.5%	£451.89	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	447	£879,034	22.8%	£1,966.52	151	£292,404	6.3%	£1,936.45
Nursery/day care	1,300	£2,695,714	70.1%	£2,073.63	1,905	£3,921,016	84.3%	£2,058.28

Table 63: North West region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	72	£89,675	5.5%	£1,245.49	61	£50,978	4.0%	£835.70
Informal care	4	£477	0.0%	£119.25	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	655	£268,276	16.6%	£409.58	1,075	£525,464	40.9%	£488.80
Nursery/day care	1,318	£1,258,800	77.8%	£955.08	716	£707,671	55.1%	£988.37

Table 64: North East region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	92	£107,252	7.7%	£1,165.78	86	£161,909	10.0%	£1,882.67
Informal care	13	£12,954	0.9%	£996.46	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	19	£10,322	0.7%	£543.26	72	£226,300	13.9%	£3,143.05
Nursery/day care	562	£1,267,480	90.7%	£2,255.30	559	£1,237,554	76.1%	£2,213.87

Table 65: North East region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	77	£69,175	8.4%	£898.38	78	£46,062	5.5%	£590.54
Informal care	12	£3,102	0.4%	£258.50	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	768	£211,198	25.8%	£275.00	677	£202,727	24.2%	£299.45
Nursery/day care	462	£536,046	65.4%	£1,160.27	585	£587,855	70.3%	£1,004.88

Table 66: Yorkshire and Humber 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	116	£158,212	7.4%	£1,363.90	122	£172,174	7.4%	£1,411.26
Informal care	8	£5,239	0.2%	£654.88	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	191	£140,035	6.5%	£733.17	349	£255,979	11.0%	£733.46
Nursery/day care	5,836	£1,837,003	85.8%	£314.77	8,046	£1,893,107	81.6%	£235.29

Table 67: Yorkshire and Humber 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure - PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	93	£77,915	3.7%	£837.80	123	£88,325	5.6%	£718.09
Informal care	190	£3,416	0.2%	£17.98	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	385	£568,384	26.9%	£1,476.32	2,480	£591,179	37.2%	£238.38
Nursery/day care	8,321	£1,460,366	69.2%	£175.50	1,826	£910,985	57.3%	£498.90

Table 68: East Midlands region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	147	£233,432	11.2%	£1,587.97	155	£210,220	9.8%	£1,356.26
Informal care	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	120	£81,099	3.9%	£675.83	55	£11,519	0.5%	£209.44
Nursery/day care	961	£1,767,348	84.9%	£1,839.07	818	£1,918,006	89.6%	£2,344.75

Table 69: East Midlands region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	107	£69,940	6.0%	£653.64	75	£54,500	7.0%	£726.67
Informal care	12	£1,369	0.1%	£114.08	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	667	£163,078	13.9%	£244.49	489	£114,502	14.7%	£234.16
Nursery/day care	809	£940,142	80.0%	£1,162.10	718	£612,383	78.4%	£852.90

Table 70: West Midlands region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	130	£225,086	6.0%	£1,731.43	167	£289,394	6.4%	£1,732.90
Informal care	41	£17,955	0.5%	£437.93	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	71	£68,303	1.8%	£962.01	87	£74,673	1.7%	£858.31
Nursery/day care	1,535	£3,470,658	91.8%	£2,261.01	1,629	£4,147,392	91.9%	£2,545.97

Table 71: West Midlands region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	192	£201,215	7.2%	£1,047.99	372	£175,030	9.2%	£470.51
Informal care	3	£1,160	0.0%	£386.67	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	841	£531,788	19.0%	£632.33	1,270	£394,602	20.7%	£310.71
Nursery/day care	1,643	£2,063,198	73.8%	£1,255.75	1,237	£1,340,402	70.2%	£1,083.59

Table 72: East of England region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	117	£193,291	17.6%	£1,652.06	148	£252,204	18.9%	£1,704.08
Informal care	6	£2,996	0.3%	£499.33	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	44	£53,597	4.9%	£1,218.11	38	£17,061	1.3%	£448.97
Nursery/day care	419	£850,931	77.3%	£2,030.86	581	£1,068,019	79.9%	£1,838.24

Table 73: East of England region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	104	£76,213	11.4%	£732.82	99	£82,952	14.9%	£837.90
Informal care	5	£1,965	0.3%	£393.00	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	830	£170,118	25.5%	£204.96	450	£132,714	23.8%	£294.92
Nursery/day care	465	£419,993	62.8%	£903.21	417	£342,772	61.4%	£822.00

Table 74: London region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	670	£1,306,841	19.7%	£1,950.51	988	£1,335,889	16.2%	£1,352.11
Informal care	129	£77,138	1.2%	£597.97	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	298	£577,105	8.7%	£1,936.59	380	£591,039	7.2%	£1,555.37
Nursery/day care	1,878	£4,666,635	70.4%	£2,484.90	3,122	£6,326,872	76.7%	£2,026.54

Table 75: London region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	832	£872,372	17.6%	£1,048.52	1,338	£638,823	14.6%	£477.45
Informal care	28	£11,524	0.2%	£411.57	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	2,825	£1,243,245	25.0%	£440.09	3,459	£1,891,473	43.2%	£546.83
Nursery/day care	2,139	£2,841,360	57.2%	£1,328.36	2,155	£1,849,035	42.2%	£858.02

Table 76: South West region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	119	£164,945	15.1%	£1,386.09	160	£213,231	13.6%	£1,332.70
Informal care	11	£3,319	0.3%	£301.73	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	15	£12,256	1.1%	£817.07	34	£25,765	1.6%	£757.79
Nursery/day care	502	£909,229	83.4%	£1,811.21	753	£1,332,419	84.8%	£1,769.48

Table 77: South West region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	137	£117,315	15.0%	£856.31	126	£84,294	11.0%	£669.00
Informal care	21	£6,694	0.9%	£318.76	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	134	£43,989	5.6%	£328.28	184	£109,291	14.3%	£593.97
Nursery/day care	591	£611,694	78.5%	£1,035.02	650	£571,921	74.7%	£879.88

Table 78: South East region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to full-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – FT	2007/8 expenditure – FT	2007/8 % expenditure – FT	2007/8 average award – FT	2008/9 children supported – FT	2008/9 expenditure – FT	2008/9 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT
Childminder	243	£368,452	17.3%	£1,516.26	225	£339,784	14.1%	£1,510.15
Informal care	25	£8,253	0.4%	£330.12	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	108	£116,365	5.5%	£1,077.45	127	£121,591	5.0%	£957.41
Nursery/day care	782	£1,631,913	76.8%	£2,086.85	1,064	£1,953,994	80.9%	£1,836.46

Table 79: South East region 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded to part-time learners 2007/08 and 2008/09

Category	2007/8 children supported – PT	2007/8 expenditure – PT	2007/8 % expenditure – PT	2007/8 average award – PT	2008/9 children supported – PT	2008/9 expenditure – PT	2008/9 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	174	£147,481	16.3%	£847.59	181	£151,824	16.6%	£838.81
Informal care	5	£2,026	0.2%	£405.20	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	473	£190,151	21.0%	£402.01	280	£92,512	10.1%	£330.40
Nursery/day care	551	£566,746	62.5%	£1,028.58	624	£667,694	73.2%	£1,070.02

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Table 80: National additional 20+ childcare expenditure by LSC region awarded 2008/09

Region	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
NW	204	£428,747	25.1%	£2,101.70	110	£100,625	15.9%	£914.77
NE	26	£90,850	5.3%	£3,494.22	21	£32,706	5.2%	£1,557.40
YH	160	£273,609	16.0%	£1,710.06	167	£91,980	14.6%	£550.78
EM	91	£179,397	10.5%	£1,971.40	93	£95,636	15.1%	£1,028.34
WM	55	£160,226	9.4%	£2,913.20	82	£94,589	15.0%	£1,153.52
EE	12	£18,022	1.1%	£1,501.83	13	£14,582	2.3%	£1,121.69
LON	112	£322,452	18.9%	£2,879.04	273	£127,724	20.2%	£467.85
SW	1	£5,000	0.3%	£5,000.00	0	0	0.0%	N/A
SE	148	£232,156	13.6%	£1,568.62	121	£73,982	11.7%	£611.42
NATIONAL	809	£1,710,459	100.0%	£2,114.29	880	£631,823	100.0%	£717.98

Table 81: National additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	96	£155,586	9.1%	£1,620.69	80	£91,716	14.5%	£1,146.44
Creche/mobile facility	72	£143,560	8.4%	£1,993.88	428	£153,016	24.2%	£357.52
Nursery/day care	641	£1,411,313	82.5%	£2,201.74	372	£387,091	61.3%	£1,040.57

Table 82: North West region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	6	£8,027	1.9%	£1,337.83	32	£25,107	25.0%	£784.59
Creche/mobile facility	19	£46,099	10.8%	£2,426.26	5	£6,611	6.6%	£1,322.20
Nursery/day care	179	£374,621	87.4%	£2,092.85	73	£68,907	68.5%	£943.93

Table 83: North East region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	7	£27,836	30.6%	£3,976.62	8	£16,213	49.6%	£2,026.63
Creche/mobile facility	1	£3,647	4.0%	£3,646.50	2	£2,178	6.7%	£1,089.23
Nursery/day care	18	£59,367	65.3%	£3,298.17	11	£14,314	43.8%	£1,301.28

Table 84: Yorkshire and Humber region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	11	£9,436	3.4%	£857.82	7	£3,971	4.3%	£567.29
Creche/mobile facility	12	£8,718	3.2%	£726.50	118	£58,240	63.3%	£493.56
Nursery/day care	137	£255,455	93.4%	£1,864.64	42	£29,769	32.4%	£708.77

Table 85: East Midlands region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	15	£15,244	8.5%	£1,016.27	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	1	£768	0.4%	£768.00	26	£14,766	15.4%	£567.92
Nursery/day care	75	£163,385	91.1%	£2,178.47	67	£80,870	84.6%	£1,207.01

Table 86: West Midlands region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	5	£3,630	2.3%	£726.00	2	£2,263	2.4%	£1,131.50
Creche/mobile facility	4	£1,818	1.1%	£454.50	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Nursery/day care	46	£154,778	96.6%	£3,364.74	80	£92,326	97.6%	£1,154.08

Table 87: East of England region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	1	£197	1.1%	£197.00	11	£13,000	89.2%	£1,181.82
Nursery/day care	11	£17,825	98.9%	£1,620.45	2	£1,582	10.8%	£791.00

Table 88: London region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	30	£59,145	18.3%	£1,971.50	22	£32,470	25.4%	£1,475.91
Creche/mobile facility	15	£41,793	13.0%	£2,786.20	217	£47,494	37.2%	£218.87
Nursery/day care	67	£221,514	68.7%	£3,306.18	34	£47,760	37.4%	£1,404.71

Table 89: South West region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	1	£5,000	100.0%	£5,000.00	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Creche/mobile facility	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Nursery/day care	0	0	0.0%	N/A	0	0	0.0%	N/A

Table 90: South East region additional 20+ childcare expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 children supported – FT	2008/09 expenditure – FT	2008/09 % expenditure – FT	2008/09 average award – FT	2008/09 children supported – PT	2008/09 expenditure – PT	2008/09 % expenditure – PT	2008/09 average award – PT
Childminder	21	£27,268	11.7%	£1,298.48	9	£11,692	15.8%	£1,299.06
Creche/mobile facility	19	£40,520	17.5%	£2,132.63	49	£10,727	14.5%	£218.92
Nursery/day care	108	£164,368	70.8%	£1,521.93	63	£51,563	69.7%	£818.46

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Table 91: National ESOL expenditure by LSC region awarded 2008/09

Region	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
NW	3,662	£613,926	15.2%	£167.65
NE	1,168	£123,856	3.1%	£106.04
YH	1,873	£296,842	7.4%	£158.48
ЕМ	2,978	£224,863	5.6%	£75.51
WM	6,715	£525,820	13.1%	£78.31
EE	1,950	£239,289	5.9%	£122.71
LON	17,464	£1,431,521	35.6%	£81.97
SW	3,693	£204,955	5.1%	£55.50
SE	2,956	£365,067	9.1%	£123.50
NATIONAL	42,459	£4,026,139	100.0%	£94.82

Table 92: National ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	6,631	£658,452	16.4%	£99.30
Low paid workers	15,792	£2,236,838	55.6%	£141.64
Other	20,036	£1,130,849	28.1%	£56.44

Table 93: North West region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	379	£42,382	6.9%	£111.83
Low paid workers	2,006	£481,945	78.5%	£240.25
Other	1,277	£89,599	14.6%	£70.16

Table 94: North East region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	440	£33,716	27.2%	£76.63
Low paid workers	690	£74,950	60.5%	£108.62
Other	38	£15,190	12.3%	£399.74

Table 95: Yorkshire and Humber region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	479	£80,111	27.0%	£167.25
Low paid workers	1,335	£200,835	67.7%	£150.44
Other	59	£15,896	5.4%	£269.42

Table 96: East Midlands region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	379	£52,061	23.2%	£137.36
Low paid workers	869	£141,413	62.9%	£162.73
Other	1,730	£31,389	14.0%	£18.14

Table 97: West Midlands region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	478	£99,324	18.9%	£207.79
Low paid workers	1,063	£111,811	21.3%	£105.18
Other	5,174	£314,685	59.8%	£60.82

Table 98: East of England region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	101	£18,315	7.7%	£181.34
Low paid workers	754	£139,449	58.3%	£184.95
Other	1,095	£81,525	34.1%	£74.45

Table 99: London region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	3,049	£207,454	14.5%	£68.04
Low paid workers	4,476	£698,358	48.8%	£156.02
Other	9,939	£525,709	36.7%	£52.89

Table 100: South West region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	941	£51,517	25.1%	£54.75
Low paid workers	2,360	£133,263	65.0%	£56.47
Other	392	£20,175	9.8%	£51.47

Table 101: South East region ESOL expenditure by category of spend awarded 2008/09

Category	2008/09 number of awards	2008/09 expenditure	2008/09 % expenditure	2008/09 average award
Spouses	385	£73,572	20.2%	£191.10
Low paid workers	2,239	£254,814	69.8%	£113.81
Other	332	£36,681	10.0%	£110.48