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Introduction

This official statistics release reports on early years and childcare inspections that occurred between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011 under Section 59 and 60 of the Childcare Act 2006.

Data for inspections carried out between 1 September 2008 and 31 March 2011 are final. Data for inspections carried out between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011 are provisional and subject to change. Ofsted will release final statistics for the period 1 April to 30 June 2011 on 8 December 2011.

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Key findings

Latest quarter

- Ofsted carried out 5,194 inspections of childcare provision between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011. Most (91%) were inspections of providers on the Early Years Register who deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. .
- Of the 4,738 Early Years Register inspections carried out, just under three quarters (77%) resulted in a judgement of good or outstanding for overall effectiveness and almost all (97%) were at least satisfactory. Three per cent were judged inadequate.
- A higher proportion of childcare providers on non-domestic premises were judged to be good or outstanding for overall effectiveness compared to the childminders inspected, at 81% and 74% respectively. However, a similar proportion of both types of provision were found to be inadequate (3% in both cases).
- The proportion judged good or outstanding in the three months between April and June 2011 was broadly similar across the four key judgements. The outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage was the most positive with 79% of providers inspected judged good or outstanding.
- Of the 4,738 Early Years Register inspections carried out, 4,181 (88%) also monitored the provider's compliance with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, while 4090 (86%) monitored compliance with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register. Eighty-eight per cent of providers inspected met the requirements of the compulsory part, while 12% were set actions to meet the requirements. Compliance with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register followed the same pattern, with providers meeting the requirements in 88% of inspections, and being set actions in 12% of inspections. Enforcement action relating to the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register was initiated after one inspection.
- Of the 439 providers inspected for their compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register only, three quarters (75%) met the requirements. Just over a third of the 224 home childcarers inspected (who are on the voluntary part of the Childcare Register only) did not meet requirements, compared to 16% of providers on the compulsory part of the Childcare Register.

Active providers inspected (1 September 2008 to 30 June 2011)

- As at 30 June 2011, 53,654 active early years registered providers had received an inspection since the introduction of the framework in September 2008. Two-thirds (66%) of these providers were childminders.
- At their most recent inspection, 72% of childcare providers were judged as good or outstanding for overall effectiveness and almost all (99%) were judged to be at least satisfactory. One per cent was judged inadequate. A higher proportion of childcare providers

on non-domestic premises were judged to be good or outstanding for overall effectiveness compared to the childminders inspected, at 75% and 69% respectively.

- For 48,270 of these providers compliance with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register was also monitored at their most recent inspection, while for 45,177 compliance with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register was checked. Eighty-seven per cent met the requirements of the compulsory part, and 88% met the requirements of the voluntary part.
- Regionally, the East of England has the highest quality of early years registered provision, with 76% of active providers judged good or outstanding at their most recent inspection, followed by the South East with 75%. The North East and North West has the lowest quality, with 66% of active providers found good or outstanding at their most recent inspection.
- Since the introduction of the Early Years Foundation Stage, 6,009 early years providers have been inspected and were no longer active at 30 June 2011. Of these providers, 11% were inadequate at their last inspection.

Actions and recommendations

- Inspectors raise actions to ensure statutory requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage are being met. An action that is raised where provision is overall satisfactory or better will be for failure to meet some or all of a welfare requirement that has limited impact on the quality of the provision or outcomes for children. Providers are given a short timescale to put things right. One or more actions to meet the statutory requirements of the early years register were set in 24% of Early Years Foundation Stage inspections carried out between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011. Most actions were set against welfare requirements, with one or more safeguarding and welfare requirement actions set at 11% of inspections.
- Since the Early Years Foundation Stage was introduced in September 2008, one or more actions to meet statutory requirements of the Early Years Register were set in 28% of the Early Years Foundation Stage inspections. Most actions were set against welfare requirements with one or more safeguarding and welfare requirements actions set at 13% of inspections. Fewest actions were set against learning and development requirements, with 1% of inspections resulting in actions here.
- The highest proportion of recommendations set between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011 (42%) was against the organisation requirement, which requires providers to plan and organise their systems to ensure that every child receives an enjoyable and challenging learning and development experience that is tailored to meet their individual needs. This was followed by the three learning and development requirements, where 30% of inspections received one or more recommendations surrounding educational programmes and 18% of inspections received one or more recommendations on the early learning goals and assessment arrangements.

Methodology

1. The data in this release are from inspections undertaken between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011.
2. Statistics relating to inspections undertaken in the most recent quarter are provisional and include inspections in the period where the inspection report was published within one month of the end of the quarter. If exceptionally, an inspection report is published later than one month after the end of the quarter in which the inspection took place, it will be included in the final release of the statistics.
3. Statistics relating to the most recent inspection outcome of providers include inspections up to the end of the period, where the inspection report was also published at that date. This means that where the most recent inspection outcome of a provider took place during the period, but the report was not published at the end of the period, it will be excluded from the analysis. Where there is one, the outcome of the next most recent inspection will be included in the analysis instead.
4. There are no revisions in this release. In future, revisions will be published in line with Ofsted's revisions policy for official statistics. For more information about the policy please visit the Ofsted website:

www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/statistical-notice-ofsted-revisions-policy-for-official-statistics
5. The inspection frameworks for providers on the Early Years Register providers on the Childcare Register were published in September 2008. For more information about the framework and how Ofsted regulates and inspects childcare providers please go to the Ofsted website:

www.ofsted.gov.uk/early-years-and-childcare/for-early-years-and-childcare-providers/inspecting-early-years-and-childcares
6. Early years and childcare providers are allocated to local authority areas according to their postcode, using the National Statistics Postcode Directory. For a small number of providers, local authority and region information is not available at the time of the analysis. These are categorised as "Local authority not recorded" and "Region not recorded" in the Excel format tables.
7. A small proportion of early years registered providers are inspected as part of a school. The inspection outcomes from these providers are not included in this release, but will be covered within Ofsted's official statistics on maintained schools inspection and outcomes (already available) and independent schools inspections and outcomes (to be released for the first time by the end of September 2011).

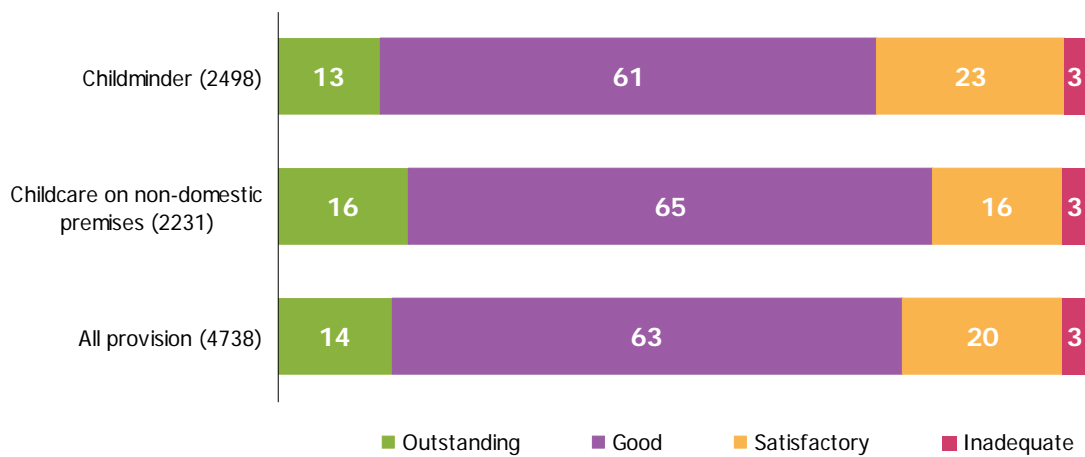
Additional information

All the tables and charts shown in this release, along with additional analysis by month, provider type, at regional and local authority level, and about other aspects of Ofsted's inspection of early years and childcare providers, are available in Excel format on the Ofsted website in the same location as this document.

Chart 1: Overall effectiveness of early years registered providers inspected between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	2,498	315	13	1,533	61	584	23	66	3
Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,231	359	16	1,445	65	358	16	69	3
Childcare on domestic premises	9	0		4		3		2	
All provision	4,738	674	14	2,982	63	945	20	137	3

Source: Ofsted inspections



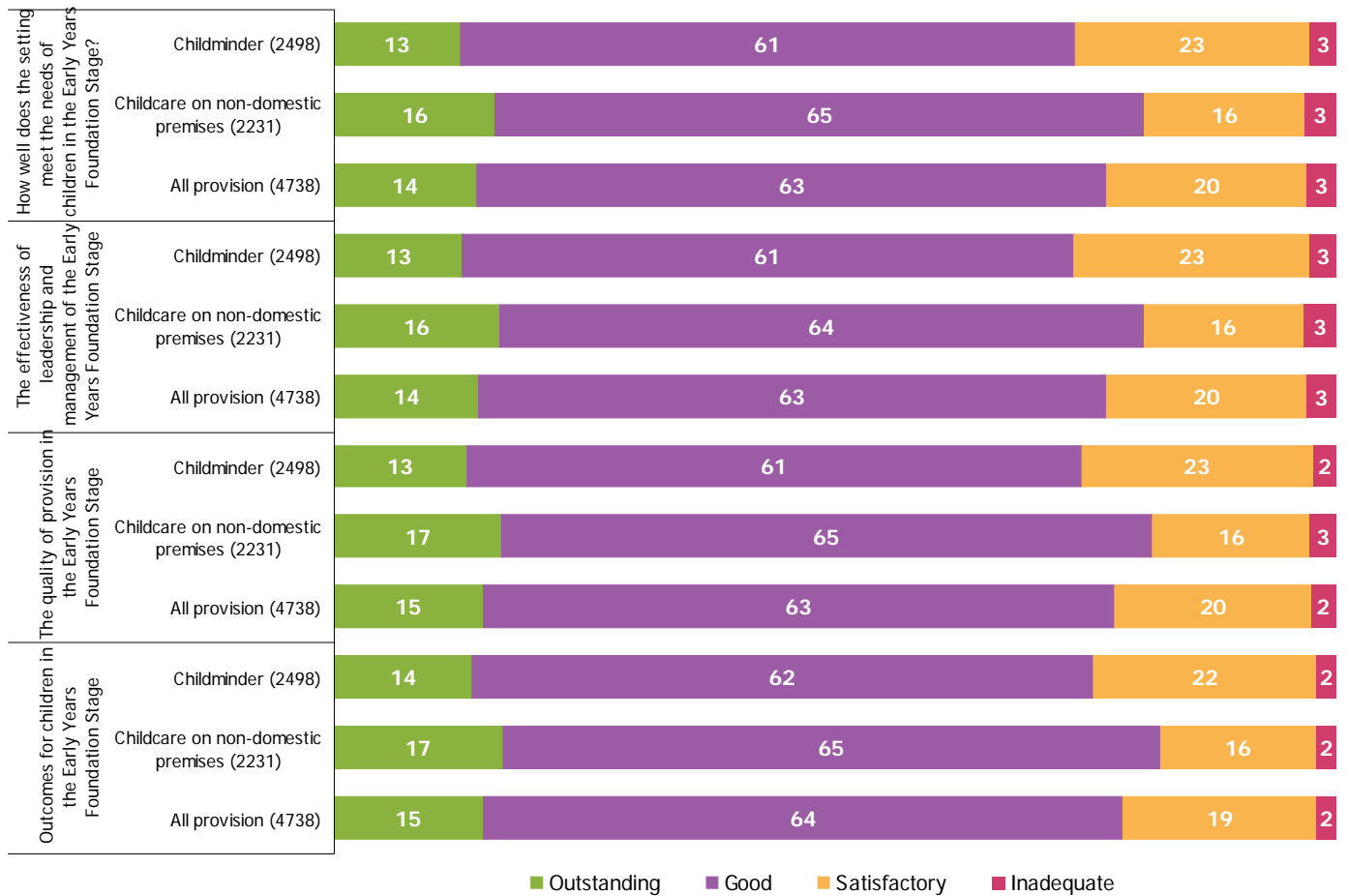
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Chart 2: Key inspection judgements of early years registered providers inspected between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Overall effectiveness:									
How well does the setting meet the needs of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage?									
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Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,231	359	16	1,445	65	358	16	69	3
Childcare on domestic premises	9	0		4		3		2	
All provision	4,738	674	14	2,982	63	945	20	137	3
The effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	2,498	317	13	1,528	61	587	23	66	3
Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,231	368	16	1,437	64	354	16	72	3
Childcare on domestic premises	9	0		4		3		2	
All provision	4,738	685	14	2,969	63	944	20	140	3
The quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	2,498	330	13	1,534	61	577	23	57	2
Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,231	373	17	1,449	65	349	16	60	3
Childcare on domestic premises	9	0		4		4		1	
All provision	4,738	703	15	2,987	63	930	20	118	2
Outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	2,498	344	14	1,547	62	557	22	50	2
Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,231	373	17	1,461	65	346	16	43	2
Childcare on domestic premises	9	0		4		4		1	
All provision	4,738	703	15	3,012	64	907	19	94	2

Source: Ofsted inspections

Chart 2 (continued)

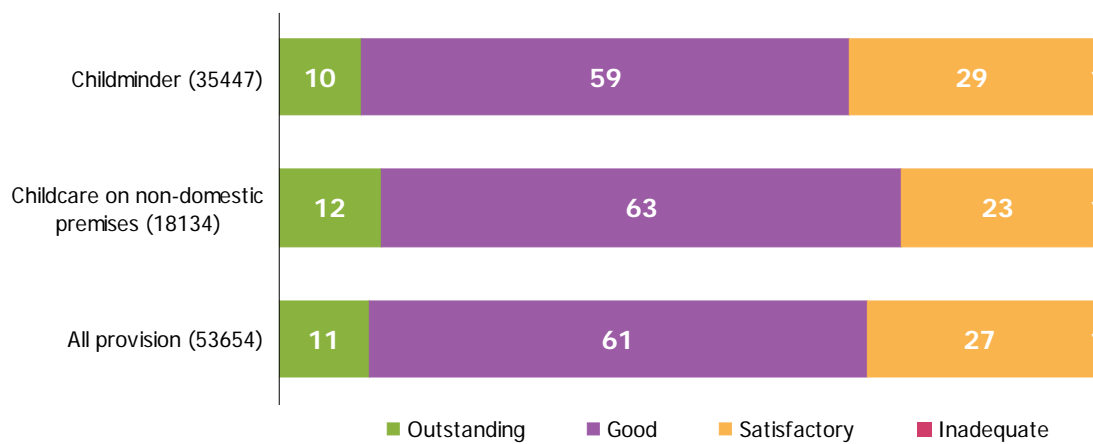


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Chart 3: Overall effectiveness of active early years registered providers at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	35,447	3,533	10	21,017	59	10,433	29	464	1
Childcare on non-domestic premises	18,134	2,263	12	11,437	63	4,229	23	205	1
Childcare on domestic premises	73	19		32		19		3	
All provision	53,654	5,815	11	32,486	61	14,681	27	672	1

Source: Ofsted inspections



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Chart 4: Key inspection judgements of active early years registered providers at their most recent inspection as at 30 June 2011^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
How well does the setting meet the needs of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage?									
Childminder	35,447	3,533	10	21,017	59	10,433	29	464	1
Childcare on non-domestic premises	18,134	2,263	12	11,437	63	4,229	23	205	1
Childcare on domestic premises	73	19		32		19		3	
All provision	53,654	5,815	11	32,486	61	14,681	27	672	1
The effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	35,447	3,613	10	20,723	58	10,639	30	472	1
Childcare on non-domestic premises	18,134	2,399	13	11,302	62	4,226	23	207	1
Childcare on domestic premises	73	19		32		19		3	
All provision	53,654	6,031	11	32,057	60	14,884	28	682	1
The quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	21,452	2,229	10	12,818	60	6,069	28	336	2
Childcare on non-domestic premises	11,798	1,616	14	7,575	64	2,438	21	169	1
Childcare on domestic premises	58	13		25		18		2	
All provision	33,308	3,858	12	20,418	61	8,525	26	507	2
Outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage									
Childminder	21,452	2,338	11	13,044	61	5,772	27	298	1
Childcare on non-domestic premises	11,798	1,691	14	7,668	65	2,312	20	127	1
Childcare on domestic premises	58	14		25		18		1	
All provision	33,308	4,043	12	20,737	62	8,102	24	426	1

Source: Ofsted inspections

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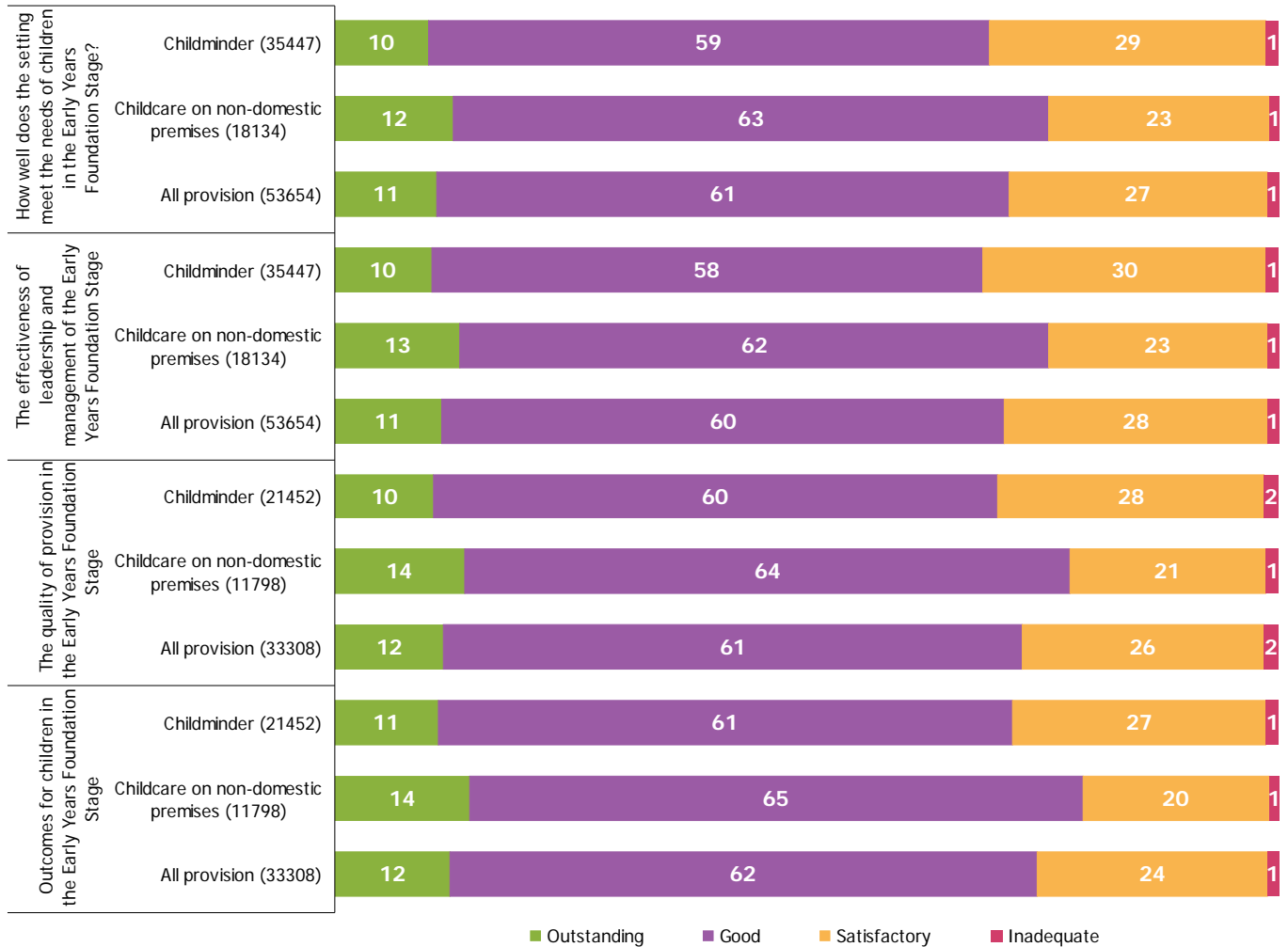
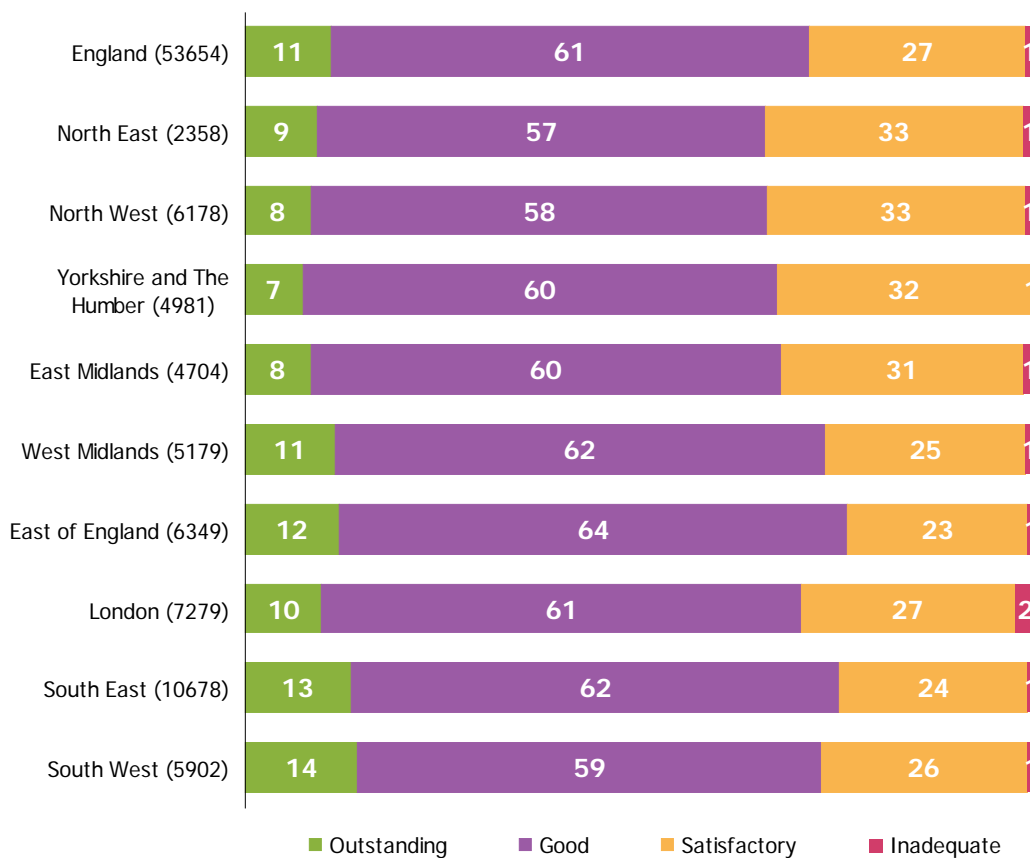


Chart 5: Overall effectiveness of active early years registered providers at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by region^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
England	53,654	5,815	11	32,486	61	14,681	27	672	1
North East	2,358	217	9	1,336	57	772	33	33	1
North West	6,178	516	8	3,567	58	2,019	33	76	1
Yorkshire and The Humber	4,981	360	7	2,990	60	1,601	32	30	1
East Midlands	4,704	396	8	2,801	60	1,440	31	67	1
West Midlands	5,179	591	11	3,210	62	1,314	25	64	1
East of England	6,349	753	12	4,086	64	1,447	23	63	1
London	7,279	704	10	4,412	61	1,987	27	176	2
South East	10,678	1,441	13	6,582	62	2,553	24	102	1
South West	5,902	832	14	3,475	59	1,535	26	60	1
Region not recorded	46	5		27		13		1	

Source: Ofsted inspections



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Table 1: Number of childcare inspections between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by inspection type (provisional)

	All provision	Childminder	Childcare on non-domestic premises	Childcare on domestic premises	Home childcarer
Full inspection (early years register)	4,738	2,498	2,231	9	–
No children on roll (early years register)	17	13	4	0	–
Childcare register	439	24	191	0	224
Total	5,194	2,535	2,426	9	224

Source: Ofsted inspections

Table 2: Inspection outcomes of early years registered providers inspected between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011 (provisional)¹

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Overall effectiveness:									
How well does the setting meet the needs of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage?	4,738	674	14	2,982	63	945	20	137	3
The capacity of the provision to maintain continuous improvement.	4,738	726	15	2,888	61	1,013	21	111	2
The effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage	4,738	685	14	2,969	63	944	20	140	3
The effectiveness of leadership and management in embedding ambition and driving improvement	4,738	751	16	2,876	61	1,002	21	109	2
The effectiveness with which the setting deploys resources	4,738	952	20	2,857	60	871	18	58	1
The effectiveness with which the setting promotes equality and diversity	4,738	798	17	2,942	62	936	20	62	1
The effectiveness of safeguarding	4,738	817	17	2,887	61	905	19	129	3
The effectiveness of the setting's self-evaluation, including the steps taken to promote improvement	4,738	716	15	2,788	59	1,118	24	116	2
The effectiveness of partnerships	4,738	1,120	24	2,810	59	772	16	36	1
The effectiveness of the setting's engagement with parents and carers	4,738	851	18	2,492	53	1,358	29	37	1
The quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage	4,738	703	15	2,987	63	930	20	118	2
Outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage	4,738	725	15	3,012	64	907	19	94	2
The extent to which children achieve and enjoy their learning	4,738	875	18	2,937	62	866	18	60	1
The extent to which children feel safe	4,738	903	19	2,917	62	812	17	106	2
The extent to which children adopt healthy lifestyles	4,738	938	20	2,984	63	771	16	45	1
The extent to which children make a positive contribution	4,738	979	21	2,927	62	790	17	42	1
The extent to which children develop skills for the future	4,738	852	18	2,925	62	904	19	57	1

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.

Table 3a: Overall effectiveness of active early years registered providers at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by provider type^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	35,447	3,533	10	21,017	59	10,433	29	464	1
Childcare on non-domestic premises	18,134	2,263	12	11,437	63	4,229	23	205	1
Childcare on domestic premises	73	19		32		19		3	
All provision	53,654	5,815	11	32,486	61	14,681	27	672	1

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 3b: Overall effectiveness of early years registered providers who ceased to be active on the Early Years Register between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011, at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by provider type^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	3,890	194	5	1,755	45	1,511	39	430	11
Childcare on non-domestic premises	2,107	128	6	951	45	793	38	235	11
Childcare on domestic premises	12	1		5		3		3	
All provision	6,009	323	5	2,711	45	2,307	38	668	11

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 3c: Inspection outcomes of active early years registered providers at their most recent inspection as at 30 June 2011¹

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Overall effectiveness:									
How well does the setting meet the needs of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage?	53,654	5,815	11	32,486	61	14,681	27	672	1
The capacity of the provision to maintain continuous improvement.	53,654	6,304	12	30,841	57	15,915	30	594	1
The effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage	53,654	6,031	11	32,057	60	14,884	28	682	1
² The effectiveness of leadership and management in embedding ambition and driving improvement	33,308	4,318	13	19,444	58	9,042	27	504	2
² The effectiveness with which the setting deploys resources	33,308	5,026	15	20,430	61	7,612	23	240	1
The effectiveness with which the setting promotes equality and diversity	53,654	7,339	14	32,170	60	13,850	26	295	1
The effectiveness of safeguarding	53,654	7,106	13	32,239	60	13,495	25	814	2
The effectiveness of the setting's self-evaluation, including the steps taken to promote improvement	53,654	5,971	11	28,271	53	18,766	35	646	1
³ The effectiveness of partnerships	53,654	9,592	18	32,501	61	11,334	21	227	0
² The effectiveness of the setting's engagement with parents and carers	33,308	4,552	14	17,537	53	11,024	33	195	1
² The quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage	33,308	3,858	12	20,418	61	8,525	26	507	2
⁴ How effectively are children in the Early Years Foundation Stage helped to learn and develop?	20,346	2,620	13	11,662	57	5,985	29	79	0
⁴ How effectively is the welfare of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage promoted?	20,346	2,493	12	12,558	62	5,210	26	85	0
² Outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage	33,308	4,043	12	20,737	62	8,102	24	426	1
The extent to which children achieve and enjoy their learning	53,654	8,088	15	32,406	60	12,810	24	350	1
The extent to which children feel safe	53,654	7,828	15	32,891	61	12,334	23	601	1
The extent to which children adopt healthy lifestyles	53,654	8,227	15	34,204	64	10,956	20	267	0
The extent to which children make a positive contribution	53,654	8,267	15	32,986	61	12,194	23	207	0
The extent to which children develop skills for the future	53,654	6,818	13	32,478	61	14,026	26	332	1

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.

2. Judgement only made at inspections from 1 September 2009 onwards.

3. Between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009 this judgement was called "How well does the setting work in partnership with parents and others?"

4. Judgement only made at inspections between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009.

Titles of other judgements changed on 1 September 2009 but the criteria for assessing them remained unchanged. Data are amalgamated for inspections conducted before and after this date.

Table 3d: Overall effectiveness of early years registered providers who ceased to be active on the Early Years Register between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011, at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)¹

	Total number inspected	Outstanding		Good		Satisfactory		Inadequate	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Overall effectiveness:									
How well does the setting meet the needs of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage?	6,009	323	5	2,711	45	2,307	38	668	11
The capacity of the provision to maintain continuous improvement.	6,009	351	6	2,535	42	2,554	43	569	9
The effectiveness of leadership and management of the Early Years Foundation Stage	6,009	335	6	2,672	44	2,335	39	667	11
² The effectiveness of leadership and management in embedding ambition and driving improvement	1,855	117	6	743	40	746	40	249	13
² The effectiveness with which the setting deploys resources	1,855	118	6	864	47	733	40	140	8
The effectiveness with which the setting promotes equality and diversity	6,009	438	7	2,862	48	2,356	39	353	6
The effectiveness of safeguarding	6,009	391	7	2,864	48	2,180	36	574	10
The effectiveness of the setting's self-evaluation, including the steps taken to promote improvement	6,009	332	6	2,187	36	2,898	48	592	10
³ The effectiveness of partnerships	6,009	538	9	3,036	51	2,179	36	256	4
² The effectiveness of the setting's engagement with parents and carers	1,855	113	6	711	38	922	50	109	6
² The quality of provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage	1,855	99	5	787	42	703	38	266	14
⁴ How effectively are children in the Early Years Foundation Stage helped to learn and develop?	4,154	297	7	1,916	46	1,652	40	289	7
⁴ How effectively is the welfare of children in the Early Years Foundation Stage promoted?	4,154	278	7	2,080	50	1,469	35	327	8
² Outcomes for children in the Early Years Foundation Stage	1,855	102	5	828	45	707	38	218	12
The extent to which children achieve and enjoy their learning	6,009	491	8	2,932	49	2,166	36	420	7
The extent to which children feel safe	6,009	448	7	2,995	50	2,074	35	492	8
The extent to which children adopt healthy lifestyles	6,009	486	8	3,240	54	2,026	34	257	4
The extent to which children make a positive contribution	6,009	468	8	3,040	51	2,223	37	278	5
The extent to which children develop skills for the future	6,009	368	6	2,840	47	2,402	40	399	7

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.

2. Judgement only made at inspections from 1 September 2009 onwards.

3. Between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009 this judgement was called "How well does the setting work in partnership with parents and others?"

4. Judgement only made at inspections between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009.

Titles of other judgements changed on 1 September 2009 but the criteria for assessing them remained unchanged. Data are amalgamated for inspections conducted before and after this date.

Table 4a: Compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register at Early Years Foundation Stage inspections carried out between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: Actions		Not met: Enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register							
Childminder	2,492	2,153	86	338	14	1	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	1,683	1,527	91	156	9	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	6	3		3		0	
All provision	4,181	3,683	88	497	12	1	0
Requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register							
Childminder	2,401	2,084	87	317	13	0	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	1,568	1,428	91	0	0	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	5	3		2		0	
All provision	3,974	3,515	88	459	12	0	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 4b: Compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register, for providers on the Childcare Register only, inspected between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

Provider Type	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: Actions		Not met: Enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	24	18		6		0	
Childcare on non-domestic premises	191	163	85	28	15	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	0	0		0		0	
Home childcarer	224	149	67	75	33	0	0
All provision	439	330	75	109	25	0	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 5a: Most recent compliance outcomes with the requirements of the Childcare Register for active providers also on the Early Years Register as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: actions		Not met: enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Requirements of the compulsory part of the childcare register							
Childminder	35,278	30,155	85	5,120	15	3	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	12,925	11,872	92	1,053	8	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	67	60		7		0	
All provision	48,270	42,087	87	6,180	13	3	0
Requirements of the voluntary part of the childcare register							
Childminder	33,218	28,622	86	4,592	14	4	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	11,899	11,012	93	884	7	3	0
Childcare on domestic premises	60	56		4		0	
All provision	45,177	39,690	88	5,480	12	7	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 5b: Most recent compliance outcomes with the requirements of the Childcare Register for providers who ceased to be active on the Early Years Register between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011, at their most recent Early Years Foundation Stage inspection as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: actions		Not met: enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Requirements of the compulsory part of the childcare register							
Childminder	3,854	2,833	74	1,018	26	3	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	1,582	1,292	82	288	18	2	0
Childcare on domestic premises	11	8		3		0	
All provision	5,447	4,133	76	1,309	24	5	0
Requirements of the voluntary part of the childcare register							
Childminder	3,544	2,683	76	858	24	3	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	1,455	1,207	83	246	17	2	0
Childcare on domestic premises	10	8		2		0	
All provision	5,009	3,898	78	1,106	22	5	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 6a: Most recent compliance outcomes with the requirements of the Childcare Register, for active providers on the Childcare Register only, as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: actions		Not met: enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	269	173	64	96	36	0	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	813	633	78	180	22	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	1	0		1		0	
Home childcarer	1,292	930	72	362	28	0	0
All provision	2,375	1,736	73	639	27	0	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 6b: Most recent compliance outcomes with the requirements of the Childcare Register, for providers on the Childcare Register only, who ceased to be active between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011, as at 30 June 2011, by provider type (provisional)^{1 2}

	Total number inspected	Met		Not met: actions		Not met: enforcement	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Childminder	164	97	59	67	41	0	0
Childcare on non-domestic premises	252	188	75	64	25	0	0
Childcare on domestic premises	0	0		0		0	
Home childcarer	271	171	63	100	37	0	0
All provision	687	456	66	231	34	0	0

Source: Ofsted inspections

1. Percentages are rounded and do not always add exactly to 100.
2. Where the number of inspections is fewer than 100, percentages are not shown.

Table 7a: Actions issued at inspections of early years registered providers between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by the statutory requirements of the Early Years Register (provisional)

	Total number of inspections	Number with actions	Percentage with actions
Any action	4,738	1,127	24
Learning and development requirements			
Early learning goals	4,738	16	0
Educational programmes	4,738	8	0
Assessment arrangements	4,738	3	0
Welfare requirements			
Safeguarding and welfare	4,738	518	11
Promoting good health	4,738	143	3
Behaviour management	4,738	7	0
Suitability of adults	4,738	98	2
Qualifications, training, knowledge and skills	4,738	38	1
Staffing arrangements	4,738	19	0
Premises, environment & equipment	4,738	289	6
Organisation	4,738	108	2
Documentation	4,738	360	8

Source: Ofsted inspections

Table 7b: Actions issued at inspections of Early Years registered providers between 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011, by the statutory requirements of the Early Years register (provisional)

	Total number of inspections	Number with actions	Percentage with actions
Any action	63,789	17,754	28
Learning and development requirements			
Early learning goals	63,789	416	1
Educational programmes	63,789	559	1
Assessment arrangements	63,789	585	1
Welfare requirements			
Safeguarding and welfare	63,789	8,562	13
Promoting good health	63,789	2,624	4
Behaviour management	63,789	145	0
Suitability of adults	63,789	1,424	2
Qualifications, training, knowledge and skills	63,789	1,012	2
Staffing arrangements	63,789	338	1
Premises, environment & equipment	63,789	5,210	8
Organisation	63,789	2,407	4
Documentation	63,789	4,992	8

Source: Ofsted inspections

Table 8a: Recommendations made at inspections of early years registered providers between 1 April 2011 and 30 June 2011, by the statutory requirements of the Early Years Register (provisional)

	Total number of inspections	Number with recommendations	Percentage with recommendations
Any recommendation	4,738	4,422	93
Learning and development requirements			
Early learning goals	4,738	864	18
Educational programmes	4,738	1,409	30
Assessment arrangements	4,738	864	18
Welfare requirements			
Safeguarding and welfare	4,738	788	17
Promoting good health	4,738	308	7
Behaviour management	4,738	31	1
Suitability of adults	4,738	51	1
Qualifications, training, knowledge and skills	4,738	129	3
Staffing arrangements	4,738	27	1
Premises, environment & equipment	4,738	800	17
Organisation	4,738	1,980	42
Documentation	4,738	365	8

Source: Ofsted inspections

Table 8b: Recommendations made at inspections of early years registered providers 1 September 2008 and 30 June 2011 by the statutory requirements of the Early Years Register (provisional)

	Total number of inspections	Number with recommendations	Percentage with recommendations
Any recommendation	63,789	56,871	89
Learning and development requirements			
Early learning goals	63,789	8,565	13
Educational programmes	63,789	17,500	27
Assessment arrangements	63,789	18,596	29
Welfare requirements			
Safeguarding and welfare	63,789	13,429	21
Promoting good health	63,789	4,202	7
Behaviour management	63,789	453	1
Suitability of adults	63,789	685	1
Qualifications, training, knowledge and skills	63,789	2,078	3
Staffing arrangements	63,789	320	1
Premises, environment & equipment	63,789	11,257	18
Organisation	63,789	23,984	38
Documentation	63,789	6,289	10

Source: Ofsted inspections

Glossary

Actions

Inspectors raise actions to bring about compliance with the statutory requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage where these are not met at inspection. Usually actions result in one or more judgements being inadequate. In some cases where a specific requirement or part of a requirement is not met but the inspector considers that the overarching general legal requirement is met, the provider has a history of compliance and the impact on children is not significant, then the inspector may judge the relevant judgement to be 'satisfactory' or, on very rare occasions, 'good'. Providers are given a short timescale to put things right.

Childminder

This is a person who is registered to look after one or more children, to whom they are not related, for reward. Childminders work with no more than two other childminders or assistants.

They care for:

- children on domestic premises that are not usually the home of one of the children, unless they care for children from more than two families wholly or mainly in the homes of the families
- at least one individual child for a total of more than two hours in any day. This is not necessarily a continuous period of time.

Childcare providers

Childcare providers care for at least one individual child for a total of more than two hours in any day. This is not necessarily a continuous period of time. They must register to care for children under the age of eight, unless they are not required to do so; and can choose to register to care for older children. The early years and childcare sector comprises four main categories of provider: childminders, childcare providers on non-domestic premises, childcare providers on domestic premises and home childcarers. A childcare provider may be inactive because they have resigned or they have had their registration suspended or cancelled by Ofsted.

Childcare providers on domestic premises

These are people providing care on domestic premises with at least three other people. They can provide the care directly or employ people to work with them. The difference between childminding and childcare on domestic premises is the number of people involved; if four or more people look after children at any time they are providing childcare on domestic premises, not childminding.

Childcare providers on non-domestic premises

These are people or organisations providing care for individual children in premises that are not someone's home. These premises can range from converted houses to purpose built nurseries.

Childcare Register

The Childcare Register has providers who care for children from birth to 17 years. It has two parts:

- **the compulsory part**

Providers must register if they care for one child or more from the 1 September following their fifth birthday until they reach their eighth birthday for a period of more than two hours in any day.

- **the voluntary part**

Providers who are not eligible for compulsory registration may choose to register here. These are mainly people looking after children aged eight and over, or providing care in the child's home like a nanny.

Ofsted inspects a random 10% sample of providers who are registered only on the Childcare Register, and not on the Early Years Register, each year.

Early Years Foundation Stage

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is a comprehensive statutory framework introduced in September 2008 that sets the standards for the learning, development and care of children from birth to five.

Early Years Register

The Early Years Register records providers who look after children from birth to school age (that is 31 August after the child's fifth birthday). It is compulsory for such providers. Providers on this register must meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Ofsted inspects all providers on this register at least once in a 47-month period to judge each provider's overall effectiveness.

Home childcarers

Home childcarers are usually nannies who care for children of any age up to their 18th birthday wholly or mainly in the child's own home, and care for children from no more than two families. They are not required to register with Ofsted but may choose to do so on the voluntary part of the Childcare Register.

No children on roll inspections

If an inspection is scheduled and there are no children on roll at the time of the inspection it should be deferred and the no children on roll letter EYL 409 sent to the provider. This letter explains to the provider that the inspection is being deferred as there are no children on roll. The provider must inform Ofsted when they start to care for children. The only exceptions to this are:

- if it is towards the end of a provider's prescribed period for inspection and an inspection needs to be carried out for Ofsted to fulfil its regulatory role
- it is a reinspection of those judged inadequate for overall effectiveness at their last inspection and it has reached the trigger point for the reinspection
- if the provider is scheduled for inspection as part of the 10% Childcare Register inspections because they are only registered on that register. In these cases the inspection is not carried out unless the provider is selected as part of the random selection in future or because there is a complaint about the provider relating to the requirements for registration.

Recommendations

Inspectors make recommendations to improve the quality of the provision. These recommendations relate to the principles, practice guidance and statutory guidance of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

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