# Special educational needs

2015/16 - Key statistics





#### What are special educational needs?

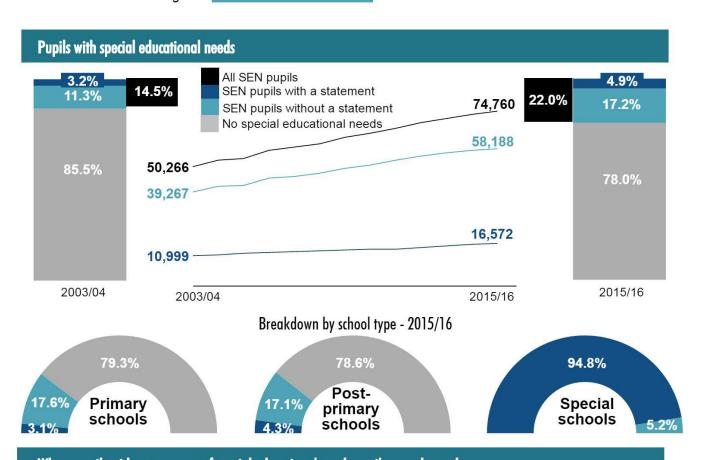
Children who have significant learning difficulties or disabilities that make it harder for them to learn than most children of the same age

**SEN** with statement

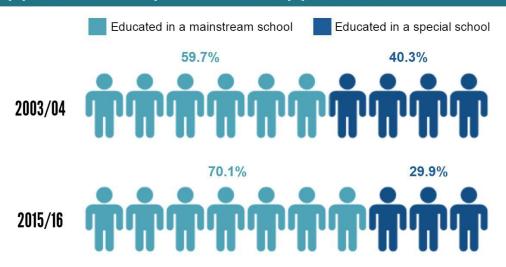
**SEN without statement** 

Involves issuing a statement of special educational needs, which sets out a child's needs and the special help they should have.

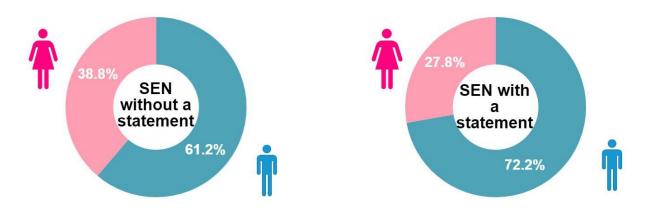
Typically pupils with less severe needs



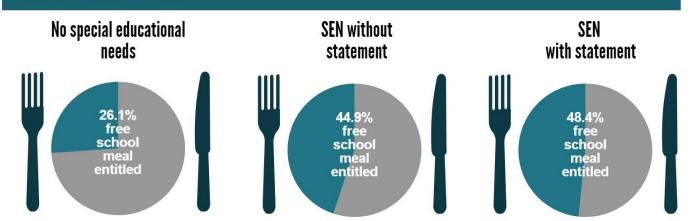
#### Where pupils with a statement of special educational needs pupils are educated



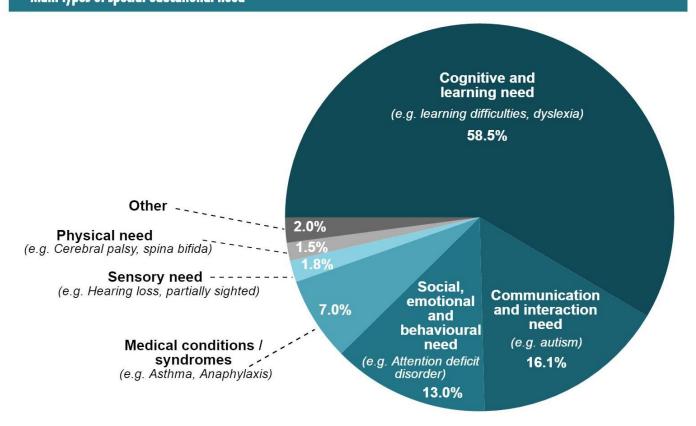
## Gender breakdown of SEN pupils

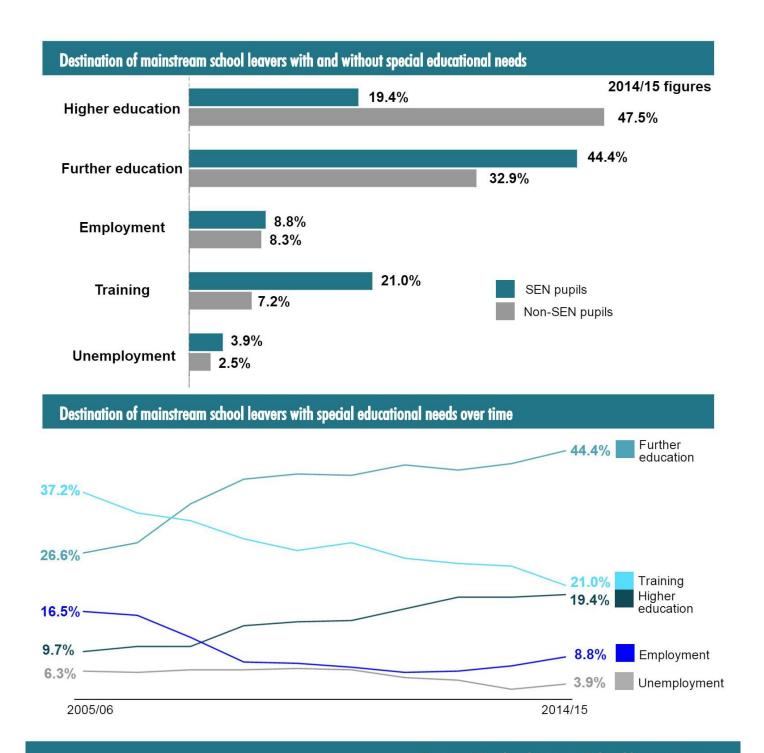


## Free school meal entitlement



### Main types of special educational need





Source: NI school census; School leavers survey