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Teachers' pension employer contribution grant (TPECG) April to August 2020 allocations: data sources

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1. Allocations

The allocation spreadsheet shows:

- school level allocations for mainstream schools this shows the pupil numbers used to generate the total allocation for each school
- local authority level allocations for high needs institutions this shows each institution in the local authority, and the number of places used to calculate the overall allocation

Local authorities will receive an allocation for high needs provision in their area, which they must distribute between all providers. Further details are given in the conditions of grant.

2. Data sources

For 2 to 4 year olds in mainstream schools, we have used the headcount of children in funded early years places, from the January 2020 census.

For pupils in mainstream schools aged 5 to 16, we have used the headcount of pupils, from the October 2019 census.

For pupils in mainstream schools aged 16 to 19, we used the pupil numbers from the 2019 to 2020 academic year funding allocations. We have converted the data into full time equivalents (FTE) based on the number of hours each student attends the school, as shown below. Band 1 students are shown on an FTE basis in the funding allocations, so we have used this directly.

Band	Number of hours	FTE
5	540 to 600	1
4	450 to 539	0.825
3	360 to 449	0.675
2	280 to 359	0.533

The autumn 2020 allocations will include retrospective adjustments to the April to August 2020 allocations for post-16 institutions which have seen an increase in pupil numbers.

We have used the published place numbers for academies for academic year 2020 to 2021 for:

- special academies
- special free schools
- alternative provision academies
- alternative provision free schools

For maintained special schools and pupil referral units, we have used the place numbers from the 2020 to 2021 section 251 budget returns.

We have allocated funding for hospital schools that do not appear in any census at the minimum level of 40 places.

We have allocated funding for pupils with education, health and care plans in independent settings based on the January 2019 alternative provision census.

3. New and growing schools

Schools which opened between October 2018 and September 2019 did not appear on the census data used for the September 2019 to March 2020 allocations. These schools therefore received funding allocations based on a minimum level of:

- 100 pupils for mainstream schools
- 40 places for high needs institutions

Alongside their April to August 2020 allocation, new schools will receive an update to their September 2019 to March 2020 allocation based on their 2019 to 2020 pupil numbers. Schools that were not fully open in October 2018, and were still growing by adding year groups, will also receive an updated September 2019 to March 2020 allocation to reflect that growth.