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The range of school level statistics that are regularly published has increased over time. These data have been produced as stand-alone 'products', such as the school performance tables, for many years. But further school level data is increasingly being made available alongside existing statistical publications which only include national/regional/local authority data. This can make it difficult to find the full range of data that is produced at school level as it is not always clear which publications have this information. The aim of this guide is to show the full range of publicly available school level data and provide links to it. As education is a devolved matter the material in this guide is arranged by home country with the bulk of school level data produced by the Department for Education for England.

England

General

The Department for Education's main 'hub' for school level data are the School and College performance tables.

- [School and college performance tables](#)

Alongside the latest performance tables ('league tables') for Key Stage 2 (primary), Key Stage 4 (secondary) and Key Stage 5 (16-18) this site also includes school level data on pupil absence, finance, staff, education destinations, school characteristics and Ofsted findings.

There are various different ways of accessing this information: Either through searching for individual schools by postcode or name. The site summarises all the latest data for the individual school. Alternatively the user can bring up lists of all schools/colleges by geography (selecting a local authority or Parliamentary Constituency) then select the type school then type of data they are interested in to see data for all relevant schools. Finally, users can download entire datasets which give all the data of one type at a time. Data from earlier performance tables is available back to 1995.

- [Download data](#)
- [Performance tables 1994-2014](#)

Schools and Pupils

The Department for Education's register of educational establishment covers all schools, colleges and universities in England. It gives contact details, geographical information, opened/closed dates, some pupil numbers and detailed information on school characteristics. It also includes some data on schools in Wales.

- [Edubase](#)

The annual publication *Schools, Pupils and their Characteristics* includes summary data from the schools census for each school. This is in the spreadsheet 'underlying data'.

- [Statistics: school and pupil numbers](#)

Since 2011 school level data on pupils with Special Educational Needs has been produced alongside the annual Special Educational Needs in England publication, again in the 'underlying data' spreadsheet.

- [Statistics: special educational needs](#)

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The Department's school capacity survey data on number of places and pupils is included in the underlying data spreadsheets alongside the following publications:

- [School capacity: academic year 2013 to 2014](#)
- [Statistics: school capacity](#)(years before 2013/14)

Pupil absence data has been published at a school level in the performance tables for many years. It is also published in more detail as 'underlying data' alongside the termly and annual pupil absence publication.

- [Statistics: pupil absence](#)

Teachers

School level data on teachers –numbers, age, gender, ethnicity, pay, absence and vacancies- and other school staff has been published since the School Workforce Census began in 2010. Again these are included in 'underlying data' spreadsheets.

- [Statistics: School workforce](#)

Performance and progress

The main annual performance data are included in the [School and college performance tables](#) (above). Detailed school level information on the destination of (former) pupils/students in the two terms following the end of Key Stage 4 (GCSE) and Key Stage 5 (16-18) are published in the institution level tables of:

- [Statistics: destinations of key stage 4 and key stage 5 pupils](#)

Ofsted produces summary data on their inspection findings at a school level. These include those schools inspected in the most recent time period, plus the latest inspection findings for all schools. The official statistics publication gives final figures, more up-to-date information is included in the monthly management files.

- [Maintained schools and academies inspections and outcomes: official statistics](#)
- [Monthly management information: Ofsted's school inspections outcomes](#)

Finance

Core revenue funding for mainstream schools is paid through the Schools Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant. This block was introduced in 2013-14 and since then the Department for Education has published school level allocations made by local authorities to their maintained schools and the equivalents for academies. These are included in the provider level spreadsheets at the following links:

- [Schools block funding allocations 2013 to 2014](#)
- [Schools block funding allocations 2014 to 2015](#)
- [Schools block funding allocations 2015 to 2016](#)

The other main source of revenue funding is the Pupil Premium. These allocations are made directly to schools and data has been published at a school level since this funding was introduced in 2011.

- [Pupil premium: funding allocations 2015 to 2016](#)
- [Pupil premium: 2014 to 2015 final allocations](#)

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Most of the summary information published by the Department on school spending is produced at a local authority level. The exception are school-level revenue balances which are included in:

- [Schools, education and children's services spending: 2014 to 2015](#) (data from 2010-11)
- [School level and LA level finance data: 1999 to 2012](#)

Local authority budget and outturn spending data is included in their section 251 statements which are collated by the Department for Education. Archive information includes school level allocations up to 2012. These have now been superseded by the Schools Block allocations (above), but current school level information is still included, authority-by-authority in the files entitled 'workbooks':

- [Section 251 documents](#)
- [Section 251 data archive: Budget data - detailed level](#) (Schools table/Table 2)
- [Section 251 data archive: Outturn data - detailed level](#) (Table B)

Much of the data on school finances covers local authority maintained schools only. Information on academies (including Free Schools) is published separately at:

- [Income and expenditure in academies in England: 2013 to 2014](#)
- [Income and expenditure in academies in England: 2012 to 2013](#)
- [Income and expenditure in academies in England: 2011 to 2012](#)

Funding for school sixth forms falls outside of the Schools Block allocations (above) as it is paid for all school sixth forms by the Education Funding Agency as part of overall 16-19 further education funding. Allocations

- [16 to 19 funding: allocations to institutions](#)

Wales

The Welsh Government's main 'hub' for school level data is the My Local School website where users can search for a school and find information on school type, pupils, finance, staff and performance.

- [My Local School](#)

More detailed financial information on funding delegated to schools, what they spent and their reserves is included in the local government finance section of the [StatsWales](#) site:

- [Delegated school budgets](#)
- [Delegated school outturn expenditure](#)

[StatsWales](#) is where most school level statistics can be found for Wales. These include:

- [Pupils](#)
- [Staff](#)
- [Special Educational Needs](#)
- [Free School Meals](#)
- [Absence](#)

The Welsh Government also produces a list of schools and addresses.

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- [Address list of schools](#)

Scotland

The Scottish Government collates links to its school level information on a single page. This includes lists of schools (with contact details, type and capacity), pupil numbers, class sizes, numbers of teachers, school meals, attendance and absence:

- [School Education Datasets](#)

The Find a School website includes some of this school level data. It also includes performance and outcomes data for secondary schools

- [Find a School](#)

Northern Ireland

The Northern Ireland Department of Education produces data at a school level on pupil numbers/characteristics, school capacity and staff.

- [School enrolments](#)
- [Education workforce](#)

They also summarise annual budget allocations for each school:

- [Budgets for schools](#)

The Schools Plus page offers a directory of institutions containing contact information and relevant statistics including those on enrolment, pupils, teachers, ethnicity and religion, key stage results and finances.

- [Schools Plus](#)