

FOI Request - Childcare Survey - 101003685698

Childcare Survey 2025 – local authorities in Scotland - FOI Freedom of information request deadline:
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Your details: We will only use these to contact you about the survey

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Note on terminology

By a ‘**nursery**’, we mean all Care Inspectorate registered childcare providers that look after groups of children under five on non-domestic premises for at least 25 hours per week. This includes pre-schools, day nurseries, nursery schools and schools with a nursery.

‘**Maintained**’ means provision run by the local authority or a state school/nursery. These may or may not make charges to parents.

‘**PVI**’ means provision run by the private sector, voluntary providers, or independent schools, including PVI provision in children’s centres.

Section A: prices – Information not held. Information that is not held falls under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.

For children under two

Please provide us with the average prices in your area for children under 2 for: maintained (local authority or state school or nursery provision) nurseries, PVI (private, voluntary and independent provision) nurseries, and childminders.

Nurseries record their prices in different ways. Some have an hourly rate, while others have a weekly rate for 50 hours provision from 8am to 6pm. If the nursery does not have a 25 hour rate, please calculate the price of 25 hours provision by halving the 50 hour rate, or failing this, multiplying an hourly rate by 25.

By ‘**Maintained**’, we mean run by the local authority, such as a state school or local authority-run nursery.

1. For children **under two**:

A place in a maintained nursery for 25 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 25 hours a week	
A place with a childminder for 25 hours a week	
A place in a maintained nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 50 hours a week	

A place with a childminder for 50 hours a week	
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For two-year-olds

Please provide us with the average prices in your area for two-year-olds who are **not** eligible for the 1,140 hour entitlement at: maintained (local authority or state school or nursery provision) nurseries, PVI (private, voluntary and independent provision) nurseries, and childminders.

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By '**Maintained**', we mean run by the local authority, such as a state school or local authority-run nursery.

2. Please provide us with the average price for **two-year-olds** (who are **NOT** eligible for the 1,140 hour entitlement) in the following types of provision:

A place in a maintained nursery for 25 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 25 hours a week	
A place with a childminder for 25 hours a week	
A place in a maintained nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place with a childminder for 50 hours a week	

For three- and four-year-olds

Please provide us with the average prices in your area for three- and four-year-olds for: maintained (local authority or state school or nursery provision) nurseries, PVI (private, voluntary and independent provision) nurseries, and childminders.

Please answer **only ONE** of the following two questions.

Nurseries record their prices in different ways. Some have an hourly rate, while others have a weekly rate for 50 hours provision from 8am to 6pm. If the nursery does not have a 25 hour rate, please calculate the price of 25 hours provision by halving the 50 hour rate, or failing this, multiplying an hourly rate by 25.

By '**Maintained**', we mean run by the local authority, such as a state school or local authority-run nursery.

3. **Either:** Please provide us with the average prices of childcare where parents **use their 1,140 hour entitlement during term time and pay for 20 hours** at the following types of provision:

A place in a maintained nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place with a childminder for 50 hours a week	

4. **Or:** Please provide us with the average weekly price of childcare **before the funded entitlement has been taken into account.**

A place in a maintained nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place in a PVI nursery for 50 hours a week	
A place with a childminder for 50 hours a week	

Please provide us with the weekly price of 25 hours of childcare for a child under two at the most expensive and least expensive nurseries in your area.

5. Please provide us with the weekly price of 25 hours of childcare for a child under two at:

The most expensive nursery that you are aware of in your area	
The least expensive nursery that you are aware of in your area	

6. Please provide the average weekly price for an **afterschool club** and **childminder** in your area.

Care for school-age children to around 6pm (approximately 15 hours per week) at an afterschool club	Average £112.50 for 15 hours per week
Care for school-age children to around 6pm (approximately 15 hours per week) with a childminder	Information not held

Section B: numbers of providers

7. How many of these types of providers do you have in your local authority?

By '**Maintained**', we mean run by the local authority, such as a state school or local authority-run nursery.

Maintained nurseries	24
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PVI nurseries	39
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Section C: childcare availability

8. Please tell us the percentage of children in your local authority for whom you have enough childcare.

	For 100%	75% to 99%	For 50% to 75%	For 25% to 50%	For less than 25%	Data not held or cannot tell
Two-year-olds and under (not entitled to the funded entitlement)						x
Two-year-olds (entitled to the 1,140-hour funded entitlement)						x
Three- to four-year-olds						x
5- to 11-year-olds before school (e.g. breakfast club or childminder)					x	
5- to 11-year-olds after school (until around 6pm)					x	
12- to 14-year-olds before school (e.g. breakfast club or childminder)						x
12- to 14-year-olds after school (until around 6pm)						x
Children and young people with SEND						x
Parents working full time (9am to 5pm on weekdays)						x
Parents working atypical hours (outside 9am to 5pm on weekdays)						x
Families living in rural areas (please leave this question blank if there are no rural areas in your local authority)						x

8. Please tell us the percentage of wards in your local authority where you have enough childcare.

	100% of wards	75% to 99%	50% to 75%	25% to 50%	Less than 25%	Data not held or

						cannot tell
For early years children	x					
For school-age children and young people						x

Thank you for completing our survey, we really appreciate your help.

Please note, for LA nurseries there are top up fees for parents who wish to buy hours over and above the free 1140 funded entitlement which would cost £6.00 for 1 hour and £11.50 for 2 hours with effect from financial year beginning April 2024; this is likely to cease from August 2025.