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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: FOI757534560**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Elective home education 2025.

You have requested the following information:

**1. On October census day in 2025, 2024, 2023 and 2019, how many children and young people were you aware of being electively home educated in your local area?**

03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
130	422	506	621

**2. Of these, for each year, how many (in numbers, not percentages) were known to:**

**a) have an education, health and care plan**

03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
7	26	36	38

**b) receive SEN support**

03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
5	21	55	65

- c) be looked-after**
- d) be subject to a child protection plan**
- e) be subject to a child protection enquiry**

Question	Child School Census Date:		Count of Children			
			16/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
	Time span assessed for social care intervention:		17/10/2018 to 16/10/2019	06/10/2022 to 05/10/2023	04/10/2023 to 03/10/2024	03/10/2024 to 02/10/2025
2c	Social Care Intervention	Child in Care	0	0	0	0
2d		Child Protection Plan	0	c	c	c
2e		Section 47 enquiry	c	12	11	16

Note: Numbers of 1- 5 or lower are not reported and represented by c to protect confidentiality

**f) be eligible for free school meals**

03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
5	61	83	Section 12 – see below

For 02/10/25, we hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

This information is not held in a summary format and would require an manual check of individual pupils' records to obtain this. This information was not captured from the January 2025 census. This part of your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

**3. Of the pupils at question 1, please tell me the number for whom the primary reason for EHE was stated as:**

- a) philosophical,
- b) mental health,
- c) lifestyle,
- d) school dissatisfaction general,
- e) school dissatisfaction SEND,

Please see table below:

	03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
Philosophical or preferential reasons	59	132	151	196
Mental health	16	83	115	158
Lifestyle choice		12	14	12
Dissatisfaction with the school - general	10	39	49	56
Dissatisfaction with the school - SEND		2	13	28

**g) health Covid**

We advise as per Section 1(1) that we do not hold this information.

**4. Of the pupils at question 1, please tell me how many were in each year group.**

	03/10/2019	05/10/2023	03/10/2024	02/10/2025
Reception	6	2	0	0
Year 1	8	16	25	19
Year 2	11	20	23	31
Year 3	9	41	26	36
Year 4	15	25	43	33
Year 5	13	33	36	52
Year 6	11	26	42	47
Year 7	17	41	39	71
Year 8	12	47	60	65
Year 9	15	47	64	85
Year 10	9	59	69	85
Year 11	1	65	79	97
Unknown	3	0	0	0

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Yours faithfully

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