

Freedom of information NCC-027499-17

Thank you for your freedom of information request for the following information:

How many looked-after children was your council responsible for in 2016-17? If possible please break this down by category i.e. 23 in care, 12 in foster homes, 7 in custody, 5 in residential schools etc.

Please also state how many Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children there were

What was the total amount spent on allowances for these children in the 2016-17 financial year?

Please break this sum down by category:

Birthday allowances

Christmas/festive allowances

Pocket money

Clothing allowances

Luggage allowances

Mobile phone allowances

Toiletries

School prom allowances

Any other categories

Of the total sum spent (i.e. the answer to Q2), how much went to children in custody/young offenders institutions?

Please state how much children in custody/young offenders institutions are entitled to in allowances i.e. £25 for birthday presents, £10 for Christmas etc. Do they get it while detained or once released?

Our response:

The information you seek on the numbers of children looked after is published by the Department for Education DfE. The 2016/17 data has just been published and is available via the link below. This includes the number of UASC (as requested in Q2). This is rounded down to the nearest 5 children, and for 2016/17 is showing as 35.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/children-looked-after-in-england-including-adoption-2016-to-2017>

Row Labels	Sum of Amount
Activities	6,882
Birthday Allowances	2,538
Clothing	2,143
Driving licence	129
Education	8,398
External Placements	1,069,806
Festivities	2,379
Holiday Allowance	1,456
Internal Fostering Allowance	128,736
Interpreters Fees	18,244
Legal	931
Passport	118
Personal Allowances	7,213
Phone	285

Private Accommodation	704
Travel	837
Unplanned Needs	836
Grant	-1,126,503
Grand Total	125,132

Expenses	£1,251,635
Grant Income	-£1,126,503
TOTAL	£125,132

For the following two points I am awaiting a response from the department and hope to issue you our response to you at the earliest opportunity.

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If you are unhappy with the way your request was dealt with and wish to make a complaint, please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the above reference number

With kind regards

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