

20 April 2018

**Request for Information: Ref NCC-030763-18**  
**Number of children in the care of the local authority**

Thank you for your request for information relating to number of children in the care of the local authority. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

- 1) The number of children in the care of your local authority**
- 2) The number of children in foster care**
- 3) The number of children in a Children's Home**

The requested information for Q1, Q2 and Q3, is published by the Department for Education here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-looked-after-children>

The relevant table is Table LAA3: Children looked after at 31 March by placement, by Local Authority.

- 4) The approved budgets for children's social care services – this can be broken down by financial year if this is how it's recorded. (If the council does not categorise children's social care services in this way, please provide the figure for all children's services excluding education.)**

Please see the table and graph attached, please note as the division Children's Social Care no longer exists, the 2018-19 figure is made up of services across two new divisions that provide the same services as Children's Social Care. There will also be fluctuations in the budget figures year on year due to centralisation of some budgets.

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, under Disclosure logs, available at the following link:

<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

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Yours sincerely

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