

Dear Requester

I refer to your recent Freedom of Information request. The response is as follows.

Could you please provide me with the following information relating to students under the age of 18:

* How many students registered as autistic were studying at Nottinghamshire schools or colleges in 2018/2019?

* How many students registered as autistic were studying at Nottinghamshire schools or colleges in 2017/2018?

* How many students registered as autistic were studying at Nottinghamshire schools or colleges in 2016/2017?

* How many students registered as autistic were studying at Nottinghamshire schools or colleges in 2015/2016?

* How many students registered as autistic were studying at Nottinghamshire schools or colleges in 2014/2015?

Year	School Census			SEN2
	EHC Plan	SEN Support	Total SEN	
Jan-15	474	1170	1644	0
Jan-16	510	1234	1744	8
Jan-17	520	1299	1819	8
Jan-18	539	1424	1963	12
Jan-19	548	1676	2224	29

Please note the following:

1. The School Census data relates to Nottinghamshire mainstream and academy schools (including the 11 special schools). This excludes Nottingham City schools.
2. The School Census data relates to children who attend a Nottinghamshire school regardless of where they live ie a Derbyshire child could attend a Notts school and they are included in the figures. A Notts child who attends a Derbyshire school is excluded.
3. The School Census is split into those children with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) and SEN Support along with the total SEN. The data relates to primary need ASD only.
4. The SEN2 data relates to young people for whom Nottinghamshire County Council is responsible for their EHCP. It includes those young people aged 16 and 17 years only who attend a Nottinghamshire/Nottingham City college and have a primary need of ASD.
5. The SEN2 data excludes all ages over 17 years where the young person with ASD and is accessing education or where a 16 and 17 year old with ASD is accessing education outside of Nottinghamshire.
6. The following situations have not been included in the data above:
 - a) Young people aged 16 and 17 years with primary need ASD for whom another local authority is responsible for their EHCP and are attending a Notts college.
 - b) Young people aged 16 and 17 years with primary need ASD who were receiving SEN Support prior to leaving school and are attending a Notts college.
 - c) School aged children with either an EHCP or SEN Support with primary need ASD who are attending a school other than mainstream or academy eg independent/non-maintained school.

I hope this assists. Should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

Complaints, Information and Mediation Officer
Nottinghamshire County Council

In addition to this and for future reference Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link)
<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

You can use the search facility using keywords.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then 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 reference number above.