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Description

This document describes the data included in the 'Scorecards 2019' Official Statistics underlying data files. This data is released under the terms of the [Open Government License](#) and is intended to meet at least 3 stars for [Open Data](#).

The methodology accompanying this release should be referenced alongside this data. It provides information on the data sources, their coverage and quality as well as explaining methodology used in producing the data.

Coverage

The scorecard release provides a snapshot of the progress local authorities in England are making in delivering good quality primary and secondary school places in 2019.

Information is included on:

- how many places have been delivered for the academic year 2018 to 2019
- how many places are planned to be delivered for the academic year 2021 to 2022
- the quality of places delivered for the academic year 2018 to 2019
- forecasting accuracy of local authorities
- how well parental preference is met
- basic need funding allocations 2011-22
- the cost of providing places (1516-1718 data adjusted for inflation)

File format and conventions

Rounding

These datasets have not had suppression applied.

Conventions

The following conventions are used throughout the underlying data.

'z' Not applicable.

':' Not available.

Data files

This statistical release includes the following underlying data files in csv format:

| File name | Content | Geographical levels | Years |
|--|--|----------------------------|------------------|
| Basic Need Funding 2011-22 and Pupil Growth 2010-21 | Total basic need allocation 2011-22, increase in pupil numbers 2010 to 2021 | National, Local Authority | 2021/22 |
| Quantity of places added since 2009/10, planned places, estimated places still needed and percentage of spare places in 2021/22. | Capacity/places added 09/10 to 18/19, new places planned for delivery 19/20 to 21/22, estimated places needed to meet demand 21/22, estimated spare places in 2021/22 | National, Local authority | 2019/20, 2021/22 |
| Forecast Accuracy 2019 underlying data | Actual pupil numbers 18/19, SCAP 16 pupil number forecast for 18/19, three year ahead forecast accuracy, SCAP 18 pupil number forecast for 18/19, one year ahead forecast accuracy | National, Local authority | 2018/19 |
| Quality of school places- Ofsted | New places since 17/18, existing places in outstanding, good, requires improvement, inadequate, no rating schools. Percentage of new places in good and outstanding schools and LA rank. | National, Local Authority | 2018/19 |
| Quality of primary school places - Reading and Maths | New places since 17/18, existing places in well above average, above average, average, below average and well below average schools (reading and maths progress). | National, Local Authority | 2018/19 |
| Quality of secondary school places - Progress 8 | New places since 17/18, existing places in well above average, above average, average, below average and well below average schools (progress 8). | National, Local Authority | 2018/19 |
| Quality of school places underlying data | New school places since 17/18, existing school places, Ofsted overall effectiveness, inspection date, KS4 Progress 8 scores, KS2 reading and maths scores | School | 2018/19 |

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| <p>Cost of additional school places from LA reported projects 1516-1718</p> | <p>Average cost per place, total project cost (adjusted for inflation and regional variation) for new schools, permanent expansions, and temporary expansion projects. Number of projects, number of places created. Total cost, inflation weight and regional weight (school level only)</p> | <p>National, Local authority, School</p> | <p>2015/16-2017/18 (costs adjusted for inflation as per Q1 2020)</p> |
| <p>School Preference 2019</p> | <p>Percentage of offers made to applicants of first preference, second preference, third preference schools, percentage of offers made to applicants of one of top three preferences</p> | <p>National; Local authority</p> | <p>2019</p> |

Annex A: Variable listing and descriptions

Variable names and descriptions included across the underlying data files are provided below.

| Variable name | Variable description |
|------------------|--|
| time_period | The reporting year or academic year covered |
| time_identifier | The type of time period covered |
| geographic_level | The geographic level of the data |
| country_code | 9 digit country code |
| country_name | Country name |
| region_code | 9 digit region code (Government Office Region) |
| region_name | Region name (Government Office Region) |
| old_la_code | 3 digit local authority code (old) |
| new_la_code | 9 digit local authority code (new) |
| la_name | Local authority name |

Variable names and descriptions specific to the below underlying data files are provided below.

Basic Need Funding 2011-22 and Pupil Growth 2010-21

| Variable name | Variable description |
|---|---|
| total_basic_need_allocation_since_201011_until_202122_£ | Basic need allocation (primary and secondary combined) |
| actual_primary_pupil_numbers_200910 | Primary pupil number on roll from 09/10 school census |
| forecast_primary_pupil_numbers_202122 | Primary pupil number forecasts for 21/22 (made in SCAP 19) |
| percentage_increase_in_primary_pupil_numbers_since_may_2010_until_sept2021 | Percentage increase in primary pupil numbers 2010- 2021 (forecast) |
| actual_secondary_pupil_numbers_200910 | Secondary pupil number on roll from 09/10 school census |
| forecast_secondary_pupil_numbers_202122 | Secondary pupil number forecasts for 2122 (made in SCAP 19) |
| percentage_increase_in_secondary_pupil_numbers_since_may2010_until_sept2021 | Percentage increase in secondary pupil numbers 2010-2021 (forecast) |

Quantity of places added since 200910, planned places, estimated places still needed and percentage of spare places in 202122

| Variable name | Variable description |
|------------------------------|---|
| primary_capacity_at_may_2010 | School place capacity of state-funded primary schools in 2010 |
| primary_capacity_at_may_2019 | School place capacity of state-funded primary schools in 2019 |

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| total_primary_places_created_between_0910_1819 | Primary school places created between 09/10 and 18/19 |
| number_of_new_primary_places_planned_for_delivery_201920 | Number of local authority planned additional primary school places for 2019/20 |
| estimated_number_of_additional_primary_places_needed_to_meet_demand_in_202122 | Estimated number of additional primary school places that need to be created by 2021/22 |
| estimated_number_of_spare_primary_places_in_202122 | Estimated spare capacity in primary schools in 2021/22 |
| estimated_percentage_of_spare_primary_places_in_202122 | Estimated percentage of primary school places that will be spare in 2021/22 |
| secondary_capacity_at_may_2010 | School place capacity of state-funded secondary schools in 2010 |
| secondary_capacity_at_may_2019 | School place capacity of state-funded secondary schools in 2019 |
| total_secondary_places_created_between_0910_1819 | Secondary school places created between 09/10 and 18/19 |
| number_of_new_secondary_places_planned_for_delivery_201920 | Number of local authority planned additional secondary school places for 2019/20 |
| estimated_number_of_additional_secondary_places_needed_to_meet_demand_in_202122 | Estimated number of additional secondary school places that need to be created by 2021/22 |
| estimated_number_of_spare_secondary_places_in_202122 | Estimated spare capacity in secondary schools in 2021/22 |
| estimated_percentage_of_spare_secondary_places_in_202122 | Estimated percentage of secondary school places that will be spare in 2021/22 |

Forecast Accuracy 2019

| Variable name | Variable description |
|--|--|
| actual_primary_pupil_numbers_201819 | Actual number of primary pupils on roll for 2018/19 academic year |
| scap18_forecast_primary_pupil_numbers_on_roll_201819 | SCAP 18 forecast of the number of primary pupils on roll for 2018/19 academic year |
| one_year_ahead_primary_forecast_accuracy_percentage | Percentage by which the SCAP 18 primary forecast differed from the actual 2018/19 primary pupil roll numbers |
| scap16_forecast_primary_pupil_numbers_on_roll_201819 | SCAP 16 forecast of the number of primary pupils on roll in for the 2018/19 academic year |

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| three_year_ahead_primary_forecast_accuracy_percentage | Percentage by which the SCAP 16 primary forecast differed from the actual 2018/19 primary roll numbers |
| actual_secondary_pupil_numbers_201819 | Actual number of secondary pupils on roll for the 2018/19 academic year |
| scap18_forecast_secondary_pupil_numbers_on_roll_201819 | SCAP 18 forecast of the number of secondary pupils on roll for the 2018/19 academic year |
| one_year_ahead_secondary_forecast_accuracy_percentage | Percentage by which the SCAP 18 secondary forecast differed from the actual 2018/19 secondary pupil roll numbers |
| scap16_forecast_secondary_pupil_numbers_on_roll_201819 | SCAP 16 forecast of the number of secondary pupils on roll for the 2018/19 academic year |
| three_year_ahead_secondary_forecast_accuracy_percentage | Percentage by which the SCAP 16 secondary forecast differed from the actual 2018/19 secondary roll numbers |

Quality of school places- Ofsted

| Variable name | Variable description |
|--|---|
| school_phase | School phase (Primary or secondary) |
| new_places_in_oustanding_schools | New places in schools rated as outstanding by Ofsted |
| new_places_in_good_schools | New places in schools rated as good by Ofsted |
| new_places_in_requires_improvement_schools | New places in schools rated as requires improvement by Ofsted |
| new_places_in_inadequate_schools | New places in schools rated as inadequate by Ofsted |
| new_places_in_schools_with_no_current_ofsted_judgement | New places in schools with no current rating by Ofsted |
| new_places_good_oustanding_schools_% | Percentage of new places in schools rated good or outstanding by Ofsted (out of all new places with a rating) |
| la_rank | Local authority rank for proportion of new places in good or outstanding school 1=100% |
| existing_places_in_oustanding_schools | Existing places in schools rated as outstanding by Ofsted |
| existing_places_in_good_schools | Existing places in schools rated as good by Ofsted |

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| existing_places_in_requires_improvement_schools | Existing places in schools rated as requires improvement by Ofsted |
| existing_places_in_inadequate_schools | Existing places in schools rated as inadequate by Ofsted |
| existing_places_in_schools_with_no_current_ofsted_judgement | Existing places in schools with no current rating by Ofsted |

Quality of primary school places - Reading and Maths

| Variable name | Variable description |
|--|--|
| Quality_measure | Reading or maths |
| new_places_in_well_above_average_schools | New places in well above average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_above_average_schools | New places in above average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_average_schools | New places in average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_below_average_schools | New places in below average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_well_below_average_schools | New places in well below average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_schools_with_no_progress_scores | New places in schools with no progress score |
| existing_places_in_well_above_average_schools | Existing places in well above average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_above_average_schools | Existing places in above average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_average_schools | Existing places in average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_below_average_schools | Existing places in below average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_well_below_average_schools | Existing places in well below average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_schools_with_no_progress_scores | Existing places in schools with no progress score |

Quality of secondary school places – Progress 8

| Variable name | Variable description |
|--|---|
| new_places_in_well_above_average_schools | New places in well above average schools in terms of progress |

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| new_places_in_above_average_schools | New places in above average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_average_schools | New places in average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_below_average_schools | New places in below average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_well_below_average_schools | New places in well below average schools in terms of progress |
| new_places_in_schools_with_no_progress_scores | New places in schools with no progress score |
| existing_places_in_well_above_average_schools | Existing places in well above average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_above_average_schools | Existing places in above average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_average_schools | Existing places in average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_below_average_schools | Existing places in below average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_well_below_average_schools | Existing places in well below average schools in terms of progress |
| existing_places_in_schools_with_no_progress_scores | Existing places in schools with no progress score |

Quality of school places school level underlying data

| Variable name | Variable description |
|---------------------------|--|
| urn | Unique reference number of each school |
| estab | School Estab number |
| laestab | Local authority number followed by school Estab number |
| phase | School phase |
| primary_pa_code | Primary planning area code |
| secondary_pa_code | Secondary planning area code |
| school_type | Type of school |
| scap19_primary_capacity | SCAP 19 primary capacity |
| scap19_secondary_capacity | SCAP 19 secondary capacity |
| scap18_primary_capacity | SCAP 18 primary capacity |
| scap18_secondary_capacity | SCAP 18 secondary capacity |

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| scap18_linked_estab_primary_capacity | Primary school capacity at May 2018 that is linked to the 2019 estab. Either through a parent-child link or an amalgamated school link |
| scap18_linked_estab_secondary_capacity | Secondary school capacity at May 2018 that is linked to the 2019 estab. Either through a parent-child link or an amalgamated school link. |
| primary_existing_places | Existing number of primary places |
| primary_new_places | New places added in primary since 17/18 |
| secondary_existing_places | Existing number of secondary places |
| secondary_new_places | New places added in secondary since 17/18 |
| ofsted_overall_effectiveness | Ofsted school inspection ranking |
| inspection_date | Date of Ofsted inspection |
| ks4_progress_8 | Secondary School performance compared to schools nationally, based on pupils progress across 8 qualifications which are compared nationally to other pupils with similar prior attainment |
| ks2_progress_in_reading | Primary School performance compared to schools nationally, based on pupils Reading progress which are compared nationally to other pupils with similar prior attainment |
| ks2_progress_in_maths | Primary School performance compared to schools nationally, based on pupils Maths progress which are compared nationally to other pupils with similar prior attainment |

Cost of additional school places from LA reported projects 1516-1718

| Variable name | Variable description |
|---|--|
| school_estab | School Estab number |
| academic_years_places_start_to_become_available | Academic year school places became available from the local authority project |
| project_phase | Projects identified as primary or secondary phase based on additional mainstream place |

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| | year group breakdown. Where a project created places across the primary and secondary phases, the project was assigned a phase corresponding to the phase of the school it affected (i.e. if its school was middle-deemed primary - the project was assigned to primary) |
| project_type | Type of build project providing additional school places |
| number_of_projects | Number of local authority reported build projects providing additional mainstream school places |
| cost_per_place | Average cost per place of creating new mainstream places |
| places_created | Number of school places created by local authority reported projects |
| total_cost_adjusted_for_region_and_inflation_£ | Total cost of build projects excluding land adjusted for regional variation and inflation |
| regional_weight | Weight used to adjust cost for region, normalising cost to a common UK average price level. Weights calculated using the regional location factors published by Building Cost Information Service (BCIS), December 2015. Weight calculated by dividing the BCIS regional location factor by the base weight of 1.00 |
| inflation_weight | Weight used to adjust cost for inflation. Cost rebased from the start of construction or time of place provision to 1st Quarter (Jan – Mar) 2020 prices using BCIS Index |
| total_mainstream_cost_excluding_land_before_adjustments_£ | Total cost of build project excluding cost associated with land acquisition |

School Preference 2019

| Variable name | Variable description |
|---|---|
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_first_preference_primary | The percentage of primary students who received an offer from their first-choice school |

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| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_second_preference_primary | The percentage of primary students who received an offer from their second-choice school |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_third_preference_primary | The percentage of primary students who received an offer from their third-choice school |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_one_of_top_three_preferences_primary | The percentage of primary students who received an offer from any of their top three preferred schools |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_first_preference_secondary | The percentage of secondary students who received an offer from their first-choice school |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_second_preference_secondary | The percentage of secondary students who received an offer from their second-choice school |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_third_preference_secondary | The percentage of secondary students who received an offer from their third-choice school |
| percentage_of_offers_made_to_applicants_of_one_of_top_three_preferences_secondary | The percentage of secondary students who received an offer from any of their top three preferred schools |



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