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# Enrolments at schools and in funded pre-school education in Northern Ireland 2013/14 (revised)

Enrolment data from the 2013/14 annual school census was released in December 2013. The purpose of this statistical release is to present a more detailed analysis of enrolment figures for schools in Northern Ireland. The data are taken from the school census exercise, which ran in October 2013.

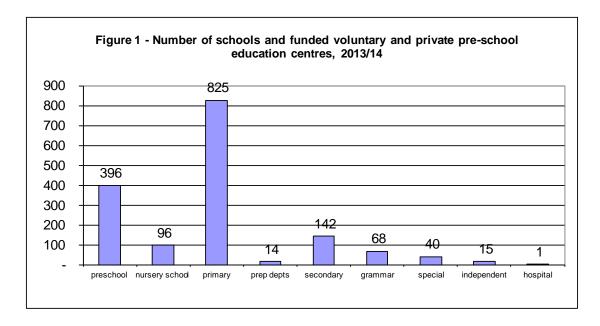
Data collected through the school census exercise are used by policy branches within the Department of Education (DE) and by others across the education service, most notably by the Education and Library Boards (ELBs). The main driver for the school census is to create a statistical database to inform a wide range of policy areas, including: finance allocations; school estate development and planning; special education, school improvement; area based planning; extended schools, additional educational needs; early years; and integrated and Irish medium schools. The data are also the basis of a number of responses to Assembly questions and are used in the ELB auditing process. Other users include the Education and Training Inspectorate, in preparation of background material for schools inspections. The data also inform responses to requests from various sources, including academic researchers, journalists, lobby groups and the public.

Statistics relating to school numbers and enrolments can be found on the Facts and Figures section of the DE website (<a href="www.deni.gov.uk">www.deni.gov.uk</a>). Analysis is provided at Northern Ireland, Education and Library Board and school level.

# **KEY POINTS**

## Schools in Northern Ireland

• The **number of schools** in Northern Ireland continues to decrease. In October 2013, there were 825 primary schools in Northern Ireland, a decrease of 31 since October 2008. The number of post-primary schools was 210, compared to 223 in 2008. This decrease is accounted for by a drop in the number of non-grammar schools (table 2b).



#### Funded pre-school education

- There are 23,507 children in funded pre-school education (table 1a). This has increased by approximately 2,500 pupils since 2006/07.
- The majority of pupils in funded pre-school provision attend nursery schools or nursery units in primary schools (14,804). Pupils enrolled in nursery schools have remained steady since 2006/07, whereas there has been an increase of almost 1,000 pupils attending nursery classes within primary schools in the same period.
- Voluntary and private pre-school education centres are the next most common form of pre-school provision, with 8,360 pupils enrolled in 2013/14. There has been a sharp increase of approximately 2,000 pupils in funded pre-school centres since 2006/07.

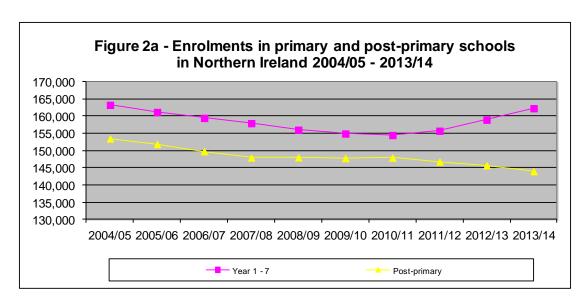
• There are 343 reception pupils in 2013/14, representing just 1.5% of all funded pre-school provision. This number has almost halved since 2006/07 when there were 650 reception pupils (3.1%).

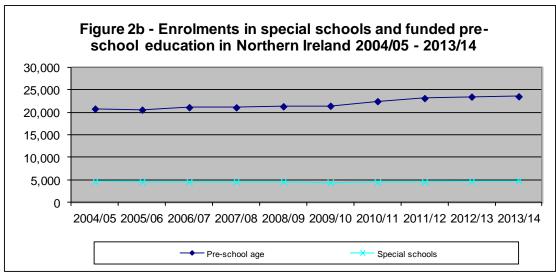
Table 1a: Children in funded pre-school provision 2006/07 - 2013/14

Type of provision	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Nursery schools	6,053	5,855	5,869	5,857	5,906	5,911	5,910	5,852
Nursery classes	8,059	8,051	8,202	8,233	8,435	8,608	8,703	8,952
Reception pupils	650	625	601	576	491	444	417	343
Voluntary and								
private pre-								
school centres								
(funded places)	6,327	6,535	6,629	6,744	7,599	8,149	8,410	8,360
Total children in								
funded pre-								
school education	21,089	21,066	21,301	21,410	22,431	23,112	23,440	23,507

# **Grant-aided Schools**

- There are 162,253 pupils in primary schools and preparatory departments (Year 1 7) (table 1c). This is an increase of more than 3,300 pupils compared to last year, and 7,800 compared to 2010/11 which had the lowest primary school enrolment in recent years. 2013/14 has the highest number of primary school pupils recorded since 2005/06.
- There are 143,973 **pupils in post-primary schools (Years 8 14)** (table 1c). This has steadily decreased by almost 4,000 pupils since 2010/11 and 1,700 pupils since last year. It is in fact the lowest post-primary enrolment recorded in over twenty years.
- The decrease in post-primary enrolments is attributable to a decrease in non-grammar school enrolments. The number of pupils attending grammar schools has, however, remained consistent over the last few years and stands at 62,634 this year. Given the declining overall post-primary enrolment, a greater proportion of pupils are attending grammar schools than before (43.5% in 2013/14 compared to 41.6% in 2006/07).
- The decline in post-primary school enrolments, however, masks a steady rise in the number of pupils in post-year 12. Some 30,917 year 13 and 14 pupils attend post-primary schools in 2013/14, and this is approximately a 20% increase on ten years ago.

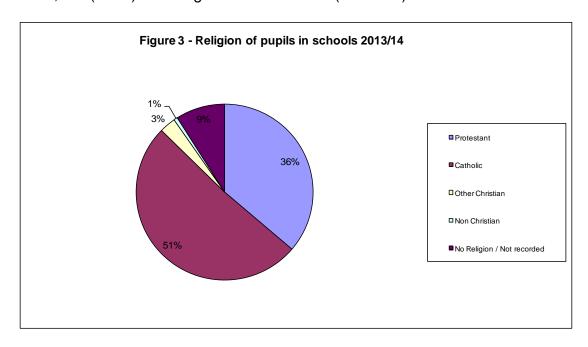




- 21,745 pupils (6.9% of the total enrolment in primary and post-primary schools) attend integrated schools (table 1e). This continues to increase; enrolments in integrated schools have risen by almost 2,400 in the last six years. Much of this increase is attributable to a rise in integrated primary school enrolments. However, the rate of increase has slowed in recent years; just 250 more pupils attend integrated schools than last year.
- A total of 4,907 pupils (1.5% of pupils in grant-aided nursery, primary and post-primary schools) participate in Irish medium education (table 1d).
   3,913 pupils attend Irish medium schools with a further 979 pupils attending Irish medium units attached to English-medium schools. The total number of pupils in Irish medium education has steadily risen over time, increasing by almost 1,000 pupils since 2008/09 and almost 300 pupils since last year. Most of this increase is coming from greater enrolments in Irish medium schools rather than units.
- A quarter (25.2%) of pupils in primary and post-primary schools are entitled to free school meals (table 3b), similar to the proportion recorded in the last few years. Some 31.1% of year 1-7 pupils in primary schools and

preparatory departments are entitled - an increase from 30.0% last year. There has also been an increase in the proportion pupils in funded preschool education (including reception) entitled to free school meals <sup>1</sup>, rising from 22.6% in 2012/13 to 23.9% this year. Free school meal entitlement stands at 18.5% of pupils in post-primary schools, and this breaks down to 27.1% of pupils in secondary (non-grammar) schools and 7.4% of grammar school pupils. There has been a slight drop in the proportion of non-grammar pupils entitled compared to 2012/13 (27.8%).

- The average number of pupils per class in primary schools (year 1 year 7) was 24 (table 4), and this has remained largely static over the last few years. Average class sizes differ depending on school type, from 18 in preparatory departments and 19 in Irish medium schools, to 27 in grant maintained integrated schools.
- The reported **religion** of pupils has remained broadly consistent over time. The breakdown is as follows: 166,758 (51.1%) Catholic, 118,101 (36.2%) Protestant, 9,679 (3.0%) Other Christian, 2,227 (0.7%) Non Christian, and 29,440 (9.0%) No Religion/Not recorded. (Table 5b).



- The reported **ethnicity** of pupils in schools is 96.7% white (excluding Irish Travellers), with 3.3% pupils of mixed or minority ethnic groups (Table 6b).
- 21.7% of pupils in schools were recorded as having special education needs; 4.7% of pupils had a statement of special educational needs (Table 7). The number of pupils with special educational needs has steadily risen over time, with almost 2,000 more special educational needs pupils and approximately 700 more statemented pupils compared to last year. Much of this increase has been pupils in mainstream schools as opposed to pupils in special schools.

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#### **Notes to Readers**

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#### School Census

- 4. The statistics in this press release have been derived from the annual School Census; details about the survey may be found at <a href="http://www.deni.gov.uk/census\_description\_for\_web\_1314\_r.docx">http://www.deni.gov.uk/census\_description\_for\_web\_1314\_r.docx</a> For preschool centres and nursery schools the Census consists of a paper return comprising a number of tables; for primary, special and post-primary schools, it consists of a return comprising individual pupil records, made by Electronic Data Interchange. The tables presented in the release reflect key information on enrolments, as determined by Departmental needs and also on requests for information from other sources.
- 5. The figures for nursery *classes* relate to approved nursery classes in primary schools. The figures for reception refer to pupils who were below compulsory school age at 1 July 2013, who were admitted to a reception class or group in primary school following their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. Schools may admit reception pupils throughout the year, but only those who have been admitted by 31 October are counted in the school census.
- 6. The figures for pre-school children in this release relate to children in funded pre-school education. Previous releases included small numbers of children in non-funded pre-school places in preparatory departments of grammar schools. While previous statistical releases have not been revised to take account of this minor change, time series and other tables available on the Education statistics section of the DE website have been revised, so that the figures are consistent in definition and relate to children in funded pre-school education.

7. Statistics relating to school numbers and enrolments can be found on the Facts and figures section of the DE website, <a href="www.deni.gov.uk">www.deni.gov.uk</a>.

The DE website presents figures taken from the school enrolments census, summarised at Northern Ireland, Education and Library Board, and school level. Statistics on participation rates, pupil:teacher ratios, school meals uptake, school leaver destinations and qualifications may also be accessed via the website.

## **Revisions:**

8. The 2013/14 figures in this press release are based on information as at 11th October 2013. They may be subject to minor revision and these will be notified in accordance with our revisions policy. This can be accessed at <a href="http://www.deni.gov.uk/de\_statement\_on\_statistical\_revisions-2.doc">http://www.deni.gov.uk/de\_statement\_on\_statistical\_revisions-2.doc</a>.

Details of revisions are as follows:

- Figures detailing pupils entitled to free school meals and enrolments (Tables 1b, 1c, 3a and 3b) have been revised to correct for a miscount in primary/prep departments and nursery classes.
- Figures relating to ethnicity (table 6a) have also been revised.
- Figures have been revised to correct the number of pupils in Irish medium voluntary and private preschool centres (table 1d)

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Table 1b: Children in funded pre-school education by centre type and management type, 2013/14

		Controlled Schools	Catholic Maintained Schools	Other Maintained Schools	Controlled Integrated Schools	Grant Maintained Integrated Schools	Voluntary Schools	Voluntary Pre-School Centres	Private Pre-School Centres	Grand Total
PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION	PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS									
Nursery Schools	Full-time	2,362	1,621	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,983
	Part-time	1,712	157	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,869
Nursery Classes	Full-time <sup>1</sup>	2,276	2,336	286	78	134	-	-	-	5,110
	Part-time <sup>1</sup>	2,052	1,421	52	-	317	-	-	-	3,842
TOTAL		8,402	5,535	338	78	451	-	-	-	14,804
Reception	Full-time <sup>1</sup>	104	226	3	10	-	-	-	-	343
PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION CENTRES (FUNDED PLACE										
Playgroups	Part-time	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,257	391	7,648
Day Nurseries	Part-time	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	650	712
Other Provision	Part-time	-	-	=	-	-	-	-	-	=
TOTAL		-	-	-	-	-	-	7,319	1,041	8,360
GRAND TOTAL		8,506	5,761	341	88	451	-	7,319	1,041	23,507

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures

Table 1c: Pupils by school type and management type, 2013/14

			Catholic	Other	Controlled	Grant	Volu	ntary	Non Grant-	
		Controlled	Maintained	Maintained	Integrated	Maintained Integrated	Schools under Catholic Management	Schools under Other Management	Aided	Grand Total
<u>NURSERY</u>										
Nursery Schools	Full-time	2,362	1,621	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,983
	Part-time	1,712	157	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,869
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PRIMARY										
Reception	Primary Schools <sup>1</sup>	104	226	3	10	-	-	-	-	343
	Prep. Departments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Primary Schools (Year		74,377	74,252	2,724	3,555	5,545	-	-	-	160,453
Prep. Departments (Ye	ar 1- Year 7)	212	-	-	-	-	-	1,588	-	1,800
TOTAL		74,693	74,478	2,727	3,565	5,545	-	1,588	-	162,596
SECONDARY (Year 8 -	Year 14)									
Secondary (Non Gram	mar) <sup>1</sup>	28,699	39,970	564	2,557	9,549	-	-	-	81,339
Grammar <sup>1</sup>		15,144	-	-	-	-	27,262	20,228	-	62,634
TOTAL		43,843	39,970	564	2,557	9,549	27,262	20,228	-	143,973
SPECIAL 1		4,546	223	63	-	-	-	-	-	4,832
HOSPITAL <sup>2</sup>		72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72
INDEPENDENT <sup>2</sup>		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	688	688
GRAND TOTAL		131,556	120,206	3,692	6,200	15,545	27,262	21,816	688	326,965

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised figures
<sup>2.</sup> Figures relating to Hospital and Independent schools are not validated by the Department

Table 1d: Pupils in Irish-medium education, 2008/09 - 2013/14

		2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Voluntary and private pre-schools - funded	l places <sup>2</sup>	436	435	434	473	468	476
Nursery Classes in Irish-medium Schools	Full-time	73	104	235	258	309	312
	Part-time	49	52	23	-	-	-
Nursery Classes in Irish-medium units	Full-time	-	26	26	26	26	26
	Part-time	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reception		-	5	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		558	622	718	757	803	814
PRIMARY							
Primary Schools (Year 1 - Year 7)	schools	2,095	2,097	2,137	2,191	2,411	2,570
	units	634	650	670	682	644	686
TOTAL		2,729	2,747	2,807	2,873	3,055	3,256
POST-PRIMARY (Year 8 - Year 14)							
Post-primary Schools	schools	513	561	553	550	541	564
	units	132	145	159	212	228	267
TOTAL		645	706	712	762	769	831
INDEPENDENT 1		9	-	11	7	6	15
GRAND TOTAL		3,941	4,075	4,248	4,399	4,633	4,916

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1.</sup> Figures relating to Independent schools are not validated by the Department.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Revised figures

Table 1e: Pupils in Integrated education, 2008/09 - 2013/14

		2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
PRIMARY							
Nursery Classes	Full-time	185	261	238	235	212	212
	Part-time	287	237	260	263	287	317
Reception		20	12	18	16	10	10
Year 1 - Year 7		7,430	8,105	8,402	8,525	8,881	9,100
TOTAL		7,922	8,615	8,918	9,039	9,390	9,639
SECONDARY (Year 8 - Year 14)							
Year 8 - Year 12		9,853	10,418	10,417	10,405	10,279	10,194
Year 13 - Year 14		1,611	1,681	1,716	1,726	1,834	1,912
TOTAL		11,464	12,099	12,133	12,131	12,113	12,106
GRAND TOTAL	•	19,386	20,714	21,051	21,170	21,503	21,745

#### Note:

<sup>1.</sup> Figures include children attending Controlled Integrated schools and Grant Maintained Integrated Schools.

Table 2a: The number of pre-school providers<sup>1</sup> with funded places, by centre type and management type, 2008/09-2013/14

		2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Nursery Schools	Controlled	65	65	65	65	65	64
	Catholic Maintained	33	33	33	32	32	32
	TOTAL	98	98	98	97	97	96
Primary Schools and	Controlled	106	106	107	107	109	112
Preparatory	Catholic Maintained <sup>3</sup>	84	85	85	87	87	88
Departments <sup>2</sup> with	Other Maintained <sup>4</sup>	4	5	9	9	11	11
Funded Nursery Units	Controlled Integrated	1	3	3	3	3	3
	Grant Maintained Integrated	15	14	14	14	14	14
	Voluntary	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	210	213	218	220	224	228
Voluntary and private	Voluntary	325	330	345	341	343	343
pre-School centres	Private	28	28	35	40	47	53
with funded places	TOTAL	353	358	380	381	390	396
All Centres <sup>1</sup>	GRAND TOTAL	661	669	696	698	711	720

<sup>1</sup> In addition to the forms of provision shown in this table 76 primary schools have reception pupils in 2013/14.

<sup>2</sup> These are part of grammar schools.

<sup>3</sup> Includes one Irish medium school with a nusery class in 2013/14.

<sup>4</sup> Excludes one Irish medium school with a nusery class in 2013/14.

Table 2b: The number of schools by school type and management type, 2008/09-2013/14

			2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Nursery Schools	Controlled		65	65	65	65	65	64
	Catholic Maintained		33	33	33	32	32	32
	TOTAL		98	98	98	97	97	96
Primary Schools	Controlled <sup>1</sup>		391	386	383	378	374	370
	Catholic Maintained <sup>2,5</sup>		402	398	396	392	387	384
	Other Maintained	Irish Medium <sup>3</sup>	20	20	21	23	25	25
		Other	4	4	4	4	4	4
	Controlled Integrated		16	18	19	19	19	19
	Grant Maintained Integrated		23	23	23	23	23	23
	TOTAL		856	849	846	839	832	825
Preparatory Departments <sup>4</sup>	Controlled		3	3	3	3	3	3
	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Schools under Other Management	14	14	14	12	12	11
	TOTAL		17	17	17	15	15	14
Secondary	Controlled		61	57	57	56	55	53
(Non Grammar)	Catholic Maintained <sup>6</sup>		72	72	71	71	71	68
Schools	Other Maintained	Irish Medium	1	1	1	1	1	1
		Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Controlled Integrated		4	5	5	5	5	5
	Grant Maintained Integrated		16	15	15	15	15	15
	TOTAL		154	150	149	148	147	142
Grammar Schools	Controlled		17	17	17	17	17	17
	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management <sup>7</sup>	30	30	29	29	29	29
		Schools under Other Management	22	22	22	22	22	22
	TOTAL		69	69	68	68	68	68
Special Schools	TOTAL		42	41	41	41	40	40
Hospital Schools	TOTAL		2	2	2	2	1	1
Independent Schools	TOTAL		16	14	15	15	15	15
All schools	GRAND TOTAL		1,237	1,223	1,219	1,210	1,200	1,187

<sup>1</sup> Includes two Irish Medium Controlled schools in 2013/14.

<sup>2</sup> Includes one Irish Medium Catholic Maintained school in 2013/14.

<sup>3</sup> Excludes two Irish Medium Controlled schools and one Irish Medium Catholic Maintained school in 2013/14.

<sup>4</sup> These are part of grammar schools.

<sup>5</sup> Includes 7 schools with Irish medium units in 2013/14.

<sup>6</sup> Includes 2 schools with Irish medium units in 2013/14.

<sup>7</sup> Includes 1 school with Irish medium unit in 2013/14.

Table 3a(i): Children in funded pre-school education<sup>1</sup> whose parents were in receipt of Income Support or Income based Jobseeker's Allowance<sup>2,3</sup>, by centre type and management type, 2013/14

Numbers and Percentages 4

		Number	Enrolment	Percentage
Nursery Schools				_
Full-time	Controlled	997	2,362	42.2
	Catholic Maintained	812	1,621	50.1
	TOTAL	1,809	3,983	45.4
Nursery Schools				
Part-time	Controlled	153	1,712	8.9
	Catholic Maintained	15	157	9.6
	TOTAL	168	1,869	9.0
Nursery Classes				
Full-time	Controlled	946	2,276	41.6
	Voluntary	-	-	-
	Catholic Maintained	1,049	2,336	44.9
	Other Maintained	#	286	#
	Controlled Integrated	37	78	47.4
	Grant Maintained Integrated	#	134	#
	TOTAL	2,214	5,110	43.3
Nursery Classes				
Part-time	Controlled	220	2,052	10.7
	Voluntary	-	-	-
	Catholic Maintained	167	1,421	11.6
	Other Maintained	*	52	*
	Controlled Integrated	-	-	-
	Grant Maintained Integrated	#	317	#
	TOTAL	441	3,842	11.4
All Nursery Provision				
Full- and part-time	Controlled	2,316	8,402	27.6
	Voluntary	-	-	-
	Catholic Maintained	2,043	5,535	36.9
	Other Maintained	136	338	40.2
	Controlled Integrated	37	78	47.4
	Grant Maintained Integrated	100	451	22.2
	TOTAL	4,632	14,804	31.3
Voluntary and Private				
Pre-School Centres				
(funded places only)		227	7.040	40.4
Part-time	Voluntary	887	7,319	12.1
	Private	47	1,041	4.5
	TOTAL	934	8,360	11.2
TOTAL		5,566	23,164	24.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excludes reception pupils, since data on whether the parents of these pupils were in receipt of Income Support or income-based Jobseeker's Allowance are not collected.

# Table 3a(ii): Reception pupils entitled to Free School Meals by management type, 2013/14

Numbers and Percentages 1

		Number	Enrolment	Percentage
Reception pupils				
Full-time	Controlled	#	104	#
	Catholic Maintained	39	226	17.3
	Other Maintained	*	*	*
	Controlled Integrated	*	#	*
	Grant Maintained Integrated	-	-	0.0
	Voluntary	-	-	0.0
	TOTAL	59	343	17.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Percentages express the number of pupils entitled to free school meals in a particular category as a proportion of all pupils in the same category. Thus, for example, 17.3% of all reception pupils at Catholic maintained schools in 2013/14 are entitled to free school meals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Income Support and income-based Jobseeker's Allowance are two of the benefits which determine eligibility for free school meals. As school meals are not universally available to children in pre-school education, parental receipt of these benefits is a better indicator of social disadvantage for the pre-school sector. Pupils who are recorded as entitled to free school meals in nursery classes in primary schools are also included in the totals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Revised Figures

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Percentages express the number of children in funded places whose parents were in receipt of Income Support or income-based Jobseeker's Allowance at the time of first application for admission, as a proportion of all children in funded places. Thus, for example, 42.2% of children in full-time places in controlled nursery schools had parents in receipt of these benefits.

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>#</sup> Number suppressed.

Table 3b: Pupils entitled to Free School Meals by school type and management type, 2013/14: Primary<sup>2</sup> and Post-Primary schools

Numbers and percentages 1

		_	Number	Enrolment	Percentage
Primary Schools	Controlled		21,019	74,377	28.3
(Year 1-Year 7)	Catholic Maintained		25,593	74,252	34.5
	Other Maintained	Irish Medium	1,148	2,350	48.9
		Other	59	374	15.8
	Controlled Integrated		1,169	3,555	32.9
	<b>Grant Maintained Integrated</b>		1,472	5,545	26.5
	TOTAL		50,460	160,453	31.4
Prep. Departments	Controlled		7	212	3.3
	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	-	-	-
		Schools under Other Management	16	1,588	1.0
	TOTAL		23	1,800	1.3
ALL PRIMARY AND	PREP YEAR 1 - 7 PUPILS		50,483	162,253	31.1
Secondary	Controlled		6,371	28,699	22.2
(Non Grammar)	Catholic Maintained		12,381	39,970	31.0
Schools	Other Maintained	Irish Medium	225	564	39.9
		Other	-	-	-
	Controlled Integrated		644	2,557	25.2
	<b>Grant Maintained Integrated</b>		2,425	9,549	25.4
	TOTAL		22,046	81,339	27.1
Grammar Schools	Controlled		903	15,144	6.0
	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	2,756	27,262	10.1
		Schools under Other Management	947	20,228	4.7
	TOTAL		4,606	62,634	7.4
ALL POST-PRIMAR	Y SCHOOLS		26,652	143,973	18.5
ALL PRIMARY AND	POST-PRIMARY SCHOOLS		77,135	306,226	25.2

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>#</sup> Number suppressed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Percentages express the number of pupils entitled to free school meals in a particular category (e.g. those at primary school) as a proportion of all pupils in the same category. Thus, for example, 31.5% of all Year 1 - 7 primary school pupils in 2013/14 are entitled to free school meals.

<sup>2</sup> Revised

Table 4: Average class size<sup>1,2</sup> by school type and management type, 2013/14

			Average number
			of pupils per class
Nursery Schools	Controlled		26
	Catholic Maintained		26
	TOTAL		26
Nursery Classes	Controlled		26
	Catholic Maintained <sup>3</sup>		26
	Other Maintained	Irish Medium	26
		Other	26
	Controlled Integrated		26
	Grant Maintained Integrated		27
	TOTAL		26
Reception Classes <sup>4</sup>	Controlled		7
	Catholic Maintained		22
	Other Maintained	Irish Medium	-
		Other	-
	Controlled Integrated		5
	Grant Maintained Integrated		-
	TOTAL		14
Primary Schools	Controlled <sup>6</sup>		25
(Year 1 - Year 7) <sup>5</sup>	Catholic Maintained <sup>7</sup>		24
	Other Maintained	Irish Medium <sup>8</sup>	19
		Other	21
	Controlled Integrated		24
	Grant Maintained Integrated		27
	TOTAL		24
Preparatory Departments	Controlled		14
(Year 1 - Year 7) <sup>5</sup>	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	-
		Schools under Other Management	19
	TOTAL		18

Class size data is only collected in respect of nursery and primary schools and prep. departments.
 Children in learning support centres are excluded.
 Includes one Irish language school.

<sup>4.</sup> These are classes consisting solely of reception pupils. (See Notes to Readers point 6)
5. Any reception pupils integrated into primary classes are excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6.</sup> Includes two Irish medium schools.

<sup>7.</sup> Includes one Irish medium school.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8.</sup> Excludes two Controlled and one Catholic maintained Irish medium school.

Table 5a: Religion of children in funded pre-school education by centre type and management type, 2013/14

		Protestant	Catholic	Other Christian	Non Christian	No Religion / Not recorded	Total
Nursery Schools	Controlled	2,116	1,115	180	47	616	4,074
	Catholic Maintained	42	1,559	11	22	144	1,778
	TOTAL	2,158	2,674	191	69	760	5,852
Nursery Classes &	Controlled	2,390	544	278	45	1,175	4,432
Reception	Voluntary						-
	Catholic Maintained	47	3,754	13	41	128	3,983
	Other Maintained	35	273	8	*	#	341
	Controlled Integrated	40	35	0	*	#	88
	<b>Grant Maintained Integrated</b>	125	178	39	*	#	451
	TOTAL	2,637	4,784	338	94	1,442	9,295
Voluntary and Private	Voluntary	1,873	3,597	99	27	1,723	7,453
Pre-School Centres	Private	355	254	14	8	410	957
(funded children only)	TOTAL	2,228	3,851	113	35	2,133	8,360
ALL FUNDED PRE-SCH	OOL EDUCATION	7,023	11,309	642	198	4,335	23,507

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>\*</sup> Number suppressed.

Table 5b: Religion of pupils by school type and management type, 2013/14 Nursery, Primary, Post Primary and Special Schools

			Protestant	Catholic	Other Christian	Non Christian	No Religion / Not recorded	Total
Nursery Schools	Controlled		2,116	1,115	180	47	616	4,074
	Catholic Maintained		42	1,559	11	22	144	1,778
	TOTAL		2,158	2,674	191	69	760	5,852
Nursery Classes &	Controlled		2,390	544	278	45	1,175	4,432
Reception	Voluntary		-	-	-	-	-	-
	Catholic Maintained		47	3,754	13	41	128	3,983
	Other Maintained		35	273	8	*	#	341
	Controlled Integrated		40	35	-	*	#	88
	Grant Maintained Integrated		125	178	39	*	#	451
	TOTAL		2,637	4,784	338	94	1,442	9,295
Primary Schools	Controlled		51,716	4,604	3,862	691	13,504	74,377
(Year 1 - Year 7)	Catholic Maintained		593	71,864	372	437	986	74,252
	Other Maintained		282	2,233	40	7	162	2,724
	Controlled Integrated		1,502	1,050	216	49	738	3,555
	Grant Maintained Integrated		1,805	2,356	398	74	912	5,545
	TOTAL		55,898	82,107	4,888	1,258	16,302	160,453
Prep. Departments	Controlled		145	8	10	-	49	212
(Year 1 - Year 7)	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Schools under Other Management	779	211	201	30	367	1,588
	TOTAL		924	219	211	30	416	1,800
Secondary	Controlled		23,405	817	1,069	150	3,258	28,699
( Non Grammar)	Catholic Maintained		410	38,959	169	99	333	39,970
Schools	Other Maintained		-	525	*	-	#	564
	Controlled Integrated		1,681	416	#	26	#	2,557
	Grant Maintained Integrated		4,048	3,910	466	87	1,038	9,549
	TOTAL		29,544	44,627	1,795	362	5,011	81,339
Grammar Schools	Controlled		11,569	1,256	732	81	1,506	15,144
(Year 8 - Year 14)	Voluntary	Schools under Catholic Management	257	26,588	141	73	203	27,262
		Schools under Other Management	13,308	2,397	1,273	232	3,018	20,228
	TOTAL		25,134	30,241	2,146	386	4,727	62,634
Special Schools	Controlled		1,774	1,866	110	#	#	4,546
	Catholic Maintained		*	#	-	*	*	223
	Other Maintained		#	#	-	*	11	63
	TOTAL		1,806	2,106	110	28	782	4,832
ALL NURSERY, PRIMA	ARY, POST-PRIMARY AND SPEC	IAL SCHOOLS	118,101	166,758	9,679	2,227	29,440	326,205

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>\*</sup>Number suppressed.

Table 6a: Ethnicity of children in funded pre-school education by centre type, 2013/14

	White (excluding Irish Traveller)	Chinese	Irish Traveller	Indian/Sri Lankan	Pakistani	Black	Other ethnic group	Mixed ethnic group	Total
Nursery Schools	5,571	23	14	38	6	22	84	94	5,852
Nursery Classes & Reception	8,894	30	24	75	13	42	84	133	9,295
Voluntary and Private Pre-School Centres (funded children only)	8,016	25	12	34	12	26	135	100	8,360
ALL FUNDED PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION	22,481	78	50	147	31	90	303	327	23,507

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>\*</sup> Number suppressed.

Table 6b: Ethnicity of pupils by school type, 2013/14 Nursery, Primary, Post Primary and Special Schools

	White (excluding Irish Traveller)	Chinese	Irish Traveller	Indian/Sri Lankan	Pakistani	Black	Other ethnic group	Mixed ethnic group	Total
Nursery Schools	5,571	23	14	38	6	22	84	94	5,852
Nursery Classes & Reception	8,894	30	24	75	13	42	84	133	9,295
Primary Schools & Prep. Departments (Year 1 - Year 7)	156,154	534	607	837	150	621	1,523	1,827	162,253
Secondary (Non Grammar) Schools	79,274	161	258	124	60	368	602	492	81,339
Grammar Schools (Year 8 - Year 14)	60,966	363	*	286	#	84	376	496	62,634
Special Schools	4,650	12	#	16	#	11	51	46	4,832
ALL NURSERY, PRIMARY, POST-PRIMARY AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS	315,509	1,123	946	1,376	295	1,148	2,720	3,088	326,205

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>\*</sup> Number suppressed.

Table 7: Percentage of children with Special Education Needs<sup>1</sup> at schools and funded pre-school education centres in 2013/14

		% Statemented children	% SEN children (non- statemented)	% SEN children (stage 1 - 5)
VOLUNTARY and PRIVATE PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION CEN	TRES <sup>2</sup>	0.5%	9.9%	10.4%
NURSERY SCHOOLS				
Total nursery school pupils		1.2%	23.5%	24.7%
PRIMARY SCHOOLS and PREPARATORY DEPARTMENTS				
Total nursery class pupils		#	#	4.6%
Total reception pupils		*	#	5.0%
Primary schools (year 1 - 7)		2.9%	18.6%	21.5%
Grammar school Preparatory Depts.(year 1 - 7)		1.4%	13.6%	15.0%
Total year 1 - 7 pupils		2.9%	18.6%	21.4%
Total primary pupils		2.8%	17.8%	20.5%
POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS				
Secondary (non grammar) schools		6.2%	23.0%	29.2%
Grammar Schools		1.2%	7.5%	8.7%
Total post primary pupils		4.0%	16.3%	20.3%
SPECIAL SCHOOLS	Total	95.3%	4.7%	100.0%
HOSPITAL SCHOOLS <sup>3</sup>	Total	_	-	-
INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS 4	Total	-	-	-
ALL SCHOOLS <sup>5</sup>	Total	4.7%	17.0%	21.7%
ALL SCHOOLS AND PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION CENTRES <sup>5</sup>		4.6%	16.8%	21.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Fewer than 5 cases.

<sup>\*</sup> Number suppressed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Children with Special Education Needs are assessed under the 5 stages of the SEN Code of Practice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Voluntary and private centres funded under the Pre-school Education Expansion Programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Special needs data is not collected in respect of Hospital schools.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Special needs data is not collected in respect of Independent schools.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Excluding Hospital and Independent schools.