**2023 Childcare Survey for local authorities**

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**Note on terminology**

By a **‘nursery’**, we mean all Ofsted-registered childcare providers that look after groups of children under five on non-domestic premises for at least 25 hours per week. This includes pre-schools, day nurseries, nursery schools and schools with a nursery.

**‘Maintained’** means provision run by the local authority or a state school/nursery.

**‘PVI’** means provision run by the private sector, voluntary providers, or independent schools, including PVI provision in children’s centres.

Where there are tables that are left blank this is because the information requested is not available to WBC.

***Section A: prices***

1. Please provide us with the average prices in your area for maintained and private, voluntary and independent (PVI) nursery places for the following provision:
2. For 2 year olds and under

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|  | 25 hours per week | 50 hours per week |
| Maintained | PVI | Maintained | PVI |
| A place in a nursery for children under 2 years |  |  |  |  |
| A place in a nursery for children aged 2 (those who do not get the 15 hour free entitlement) |  |  |  |  |

*Nurseries record their prices in different ways. Some have an hourly rate, while others have a weekly rate for 50 hours provision from 8am to 6pm. If the nursery does not have a 25 hour rate, please calculate the price of 25 hours provision by halving the 50 hour rate, or failing this, multiplying an hourly rate by 25.*

1. For 3 and 4 year olds

*Please answer* ***ONE*** *of the following two questions*

**Either:** Please provide us with the average prices of childcare **once the free entitlements have been taken into account.**

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|  | Maintained | PVI |
| A place in a nursery for 25 hours a week where parents *receive the 15 hour free entitlement and pay for 10 hours* |  |  |
| A place in a nursery for 50 hours a week where parents *receive the 30 hour free entitlement and pay for 20 hours* |  |  |

**Or:** Please provide us with the average prices of childcare **before the free entitlements have been taken into account.**

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|  | Maintained | PVI |
| A place in a nursery for 25 hours a week  |  |  |
| A place in a nursery for 50 hours a week  |  |  |

1. Please provide us with the price of 25 hours of childcare per week for a child under 2 at:

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| The most expensive nursery that you are aware of in your area |  |
| The cheapest nursery that you are aware of in your area |  |

1. Please provide the typical (average) price for a childminder in your area. *If your data does not fit into the age categories below, please provide your best approximations, including providing the same price for different age groups.*

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|  | 25 hours per week | 50 hours per week |
| Children under 2 years |  |  |
| Children aged 2  |  |  |
| Children aged 3 and 4  |  |  |
| Children at school, for pickup and care up to around 6pm (approximately 15 hours per week) |  |

*Childminders record their prices in different ways. Some have an hourly rate, while others have a weekly rate for 50 hours provision from 8am-6pm. If the childminder does not have a 25 hour rate, please calculate the price of 25 hours provision by halving the 50 hour rate, or failing this, multiplying an hourly rate by 25.*

1. Please provide the typical (average) weekly price for a place in an after school club for 15 hours per week:

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| £ | After school club, 15 hours per week |

***Section B: numbers of providers***

1. How many of these types of providers do you have in your local authority?

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| PVI nurseries | 69 |
| Maintained nurseries which can make charges to parents (even if they do not) | 20 |

***Section C: childcare availability***

1. Does your local authority have enough childcare (childcare sufficiency) for the following groups?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Yes: in all areas | Yes: in some areas | No | Data not held or cannot tell |
| 2 year olds and under | Y |  |  |  |
| 2 years olds entitled to 15 hours a week free early education | Y |  |  |  |
| 3-4 year olds entitled to 15 hours a week free early education | Y |  |  |  |
| 3-4 year olds entitled to 30 hours a week free early education | Y |  |  |  |
| 5-11 year olds after school | Y |  |  |  |
| 12-14 year olds after school |  |  |  | Y |
| Disabled children | Y |  |  |  |
| Parents working full time (9am to 5pm on weekdays) | Y |  |  |  |
| Parents working atypical hours (outside 9am to 5pm on weekdays) |  |  |  | Y |
| *Please leave this question blank if there are no rural areas in your local authority* |
| Families living in rural areas |  |  |  |  |

1. What proportion of providers in your area are offering the 30 hour extended entitlement for at least some children? *If you do not have an exact figure, please provide an approximation.*

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|  | % | Don’t know or N/A |
| Childminders | 68% |  |
| Private and voluntary nurseries | 85% |  |
| Stand alone (maintained) nursery schools | 100% |  |
| Nursery classes in schools | 100% |  |