**WBCIR:17614**

**Your details:** We will only use these to contact you about the survey

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| *Local authority* | ***Wokingham*** |
| *Name of person providing information* | ***The Early Years Team*** |
| *Phone number of person providing information* | ***0118 974 6000*** |

**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.

***Section A: prices***

We do not collect average prices from our providers as these change regularly. We direct parents to settings websites or contacting them directly to ascertain prices. We monitor compliance with the Provider Agreement (based on the DFE model agreement) through audits and investigation of any complaints.

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. Some providers make additional charges for consumables for families using the free early education entitlements. We know that it can be challenging to gather information on these charges and so you may not be able to answer these questions.

a) How many providers make additional charges for consumables under the following entitlements?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | All or almost all | Around three quarters | Around half | Around a quarter | None, or very few | Not known |
| 30 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 hours for disadvantaged two year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. What is the typical daily charge for consumables made by providers in your area under the following entitlements?

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|  | Typical daily charge | Data not held |
| 30 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |
| 15 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |
| 15 hours for disadvantaged two year olds |  |  |

c) What is the highest additional charge you are aware of in your area for a day of childcare?

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1. What is the lowest additional charge you are aware of in your area?

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1. How many providers require families to also buy additional hours when taking up the following entitlements?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | All or almost all | Around three quarters | Around half | Around a quarter | None, or very few | Not known |
| 30 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 hours for three and four year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 hours for disadvantaged two year olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Do you have any other comments on additional charges in your area for 15 and 30 hours entitlements?

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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 | **62** |
| Maintained nurseries which can make charges to parents (even if they do not) | **15** |

***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 | **75** |  |
| Private and voluntary nurseries | **95** |  |
| Stand alone (maintained) nursery schools | **100** |  |
| Nursery classes in schools | **80** |  |