

CiN 2000: Local Authority tables

Results of a survey of activity and expenditure as reported by Local Authorities in England based on a survey week in February 2000

Notes on Tables

There are seven sets of tables in all, each giving figures for individual Local Authorities for a census week in February 2000 (a "typical" week as chosen by the Local Authority).

Within each table, the authorities are given on a region by region basis, and within each region by type of authority. Overall figures by type of authority are given at the foot of each table. Links to the comments on the tables are shown below, with detailed notes on coverage, data quality and content.

General notes on the content of the tables

1. Authorities in italics in the tables are those which made a partial return, for example, covering only part of the week or part of the authority or only some of the Social Work teams. Figures for these authorities have not been included in the sub-totals appearing in the tables, but an estimate has been included in arriving at the England totals, based on 0-18 populations for these authorities
2. In a few cases, authorities making a full return have advised that some of their data are not robust enough for publication. Where this is the case an asterisk appears (with an explanatory footnote), and the authority does not contribute to the regional totals in that table;
3. The England totals quoted include estimates (also derived on the basis of the 0-18 populations) for those authorities from which no returns at all were received.
4. Authorities that made a partial return were: Birmingham, Gloucester, Isles of Scilly, Lancashire, Lewisham, and Northamptonshire. At the time of going to press, no return had been received from Hackney, Hillingdon, Torbay and West Sussex. The return from Derby City unfortunately arrived just too late for inclusion in the analysis.
5. Authorities making a part return have been excluded from regional totals throughout the tables. The grossing up of results includes estimates at the national level for all the authorities making a part return.
6. Nationally, the Children in Need survey accounts for about 85% of the expenditure on children reported by Local Authority finance officers in their Social Services expenditure returns (RO3) to DETR. The difference may be explained by the exclusion from the CIN survey of expenditure that could not be allocated to individual children - for example expenditure on drop-in centres. It is possible also that some weeks have greater or lesser expenditure but overall have greater expenditures than in the census week.