



REQUEST 19102

Please provide the following information regarding your expenditure on Independent and Non-Maintained Special School (INMSS) placements for the financial year 2024/2025 (or the most recent full financial year available, e.g., 2023/24).

For each of the DfE Primary Need Codes listed below, please provide:

1. The Total Number of placements currently funded in INMSS.
2. The Average Annual Cost (fee) per placement.
3. The Average Annual Cost (fee) per placement for that specific primary need type.

Categories Required (based on standard DfE Census Codes):

- ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder)
- SEMH (Social, Emotional and Mental Health)
- SLCN (Speech, Language and Communication Needs)[4]
- MLD (Moderate Learning Difficulty)
- SLD (Severe Learning Difficulty)
- PMLD (Profound & Multiple Learning Difficulty)
- PD (Physical Disability)
- Hi/VI/MSI (Hearing/Visual/Multi-Sensory Impairment)
- pLD (Specific Learning Difficulty)

Additionally, please clarify if placements for pupils with a primary diagnosis of ADHD are recorded within your system under the 'SEMH' category or separately. If recorded separately without exceeding the cost limit, please provide this as a distinct line item.

RESPONSE

1. 367 packages over the financial year
2. The average annual cost is £40,238. This is calculated after eliminating costs that cannot be allocated to individual pupils e.g. invoices listing more than one pupil but costs not analysed on invoice, corrects for VAT etc
3. Average fee per placement is calculated excluding 29 packages totalling £777,262.53 for the year, but where no category of need was specified.
 - ASD – £51,709
 - SEMH – £38,561
 - SLCN – £33,161
 - MLD – £24,585
 - SLD – £29,158
 - PMLD – None
 - PD – None
 - Hi/VI/MSI – None
 - pLD – None