

# Devon Education Forum

**Report of the DCC Education and Learning Service**

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## Key Performance Indicators for attendance, exclusions, EHE and CME

### Attendance

		2021/22 whole year*	2022/23 whole year*	2023/24 * Local Data	2024/25 * Local Data to 03/01/2025	YoY Trend
<b>Total (primary, secondary, all-through)</b>	% Attendance	91.80%	92.30%	92.80%	93.10%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	6.50%	5.60%	5.30%	5.10%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	1.70%	2.10%	1.90%	1.80%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	24.10%	21.10%	18.10%	17.90%	↓
<b>Primary</b>	% Attendance	93.50%	94.40%	94.60%	95.00%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	5.50%	4.50%	4.30%	4.00%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	1.00%	1.10%	1.10%	0.90%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	16.60%	13.60%	12.50%	12.80%	↑
<b>Secondary/All through</b>	% Attendance	89.40%	89.50%	89.90%	90.80%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	7.90%	6.90%	6.80%	6.30%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	2.70%	3.60%	3.30%	2.80%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	33.10%	29.90%	27.40%	24.00%	↓
<b>Special (state funded)</b>	% Attendance	88.20%	88.40%	88.60%	88.90%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	9.60%	9.20%	8.50%	8.50%	●
	% Unauthorised Absence	2.20%	2.40%	2.90%	2.60%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	38.80%	36.10%	35.50%	33.90%	↓

SEN Support (K)	% Attendance	89.10%	88.70%	89.70%	89.40%	↓
	% Authorised Absence	8.00%	7.50%	7.10%	7.40%	↑
	% Unauthorised Absence	2.90%	3.80%	3.20%	3.20%	↑
	% Persistent Absence	33.80%	32.60%	28.50%	28.10%	↓
SEN EHCP (E)	% Attendance	87.20%	87.00%	84.00%	85.40%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	10.00%	9.40%	11.20%	10.40%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	2.80%	3.60%	4.80%	4.00%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	38.60%	36.40%	40.10%	36.20%	↓
FSM	% Attendance	87.60%	87.30%	88.00%	88.30%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	8.60%	8.00%	7.80%	7.80%	↑
	% Unauthorised Absence	3.80%	4.70%	4.20%	3.90%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	42.50%	40.40%	35.90%	33.60%	↓
CIN ^	% Attendance	80.20%	79.70%	79.40%	77.20%	↓
	% Authorised Absence	11.40%	11.10%	12.20%	13.90%	↑
	% Unauthorised Absence	8.40%	9.20%	8.40%	8.90%	↑
	% Persistent Absence	56.20%	53.00%	53.10%	54.60%	↑
CP ^	% Attendance	82.10%	76.30%	78.30%	78.80%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	10.70%	11.40%	10.40%	12.30%	↑
	% Unauthorised Absence	7.20%	12.30%	11.30%	8.90%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	52.50%	62.40%	59.50%	51.20%	↓

LAC ^	% Attendance	90.30%	90.10%	85.80%	87.80%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	6.90%	6.20%	8.60%	8.70%	↑
	% Unauthorised Absence	2.80%	3.70%	5.60%	3.50%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	25.20%	23.60%	37.40%	28.10%	↓
Male	% Attendance	91.90%	92.40%	92.90%	93.20%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	6.50%	5.50%	5.30%	5.10%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	1.60%	2.10%	1.90%	1.70%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	23.30%	20.40%	18.10%	17.70%	↓
Female	% Attendance	91.60%	92.20%	92.70%	93.10%	↑
	% Authorised Absence	6.60%	5.60%	5.30%	5.10%	↓
	% Unauthorised Absence	1.80%	2.20%	2.00%	1.80%	↓
	% Persistent Absence	24.90%	21.80%	18.40%	18.10%	↓

[Data Source - DfE Absence Statistics](#) , [DfE CLA, CIN, CPP Outcomes Statistics](#)

\*Local Data as of 18/12/2024

## Attendance: Overall Trends

- **Attendance** has gradually improved from 91.8% in 2021/22 to 93.3% in 2024/25.
- **Authorised Absence** has decreased from 6.5% to 5.0%.
- **Unauthorised Absence** has remained stable 1.7% to 1.7%.
- **Persistent Absence** has significantly decreased from 24.1% to 17.4%.

### Primary Schools

- **Attendance** increased from 93.5% to 95.2%.
- **Authorised Absence** decreased from 5.5% to 3.9%.
- **Unauthorised Absence** remained stable around 1.0% to 0.9%.
- **Persistent Absence** decreased from 16.6% to 12.6%.

### Secondary/All-through Schools

- **Attendance** improved from 89.4% to 91.0%.
- **Authorised Absence** decreased from 7.9% to 6.2%.
- **Unauthorised Absence** decreased from 2.7% to 2.8%.
- **Persistent Absence** decreased from 33.1% to 23.1%.

## Special (State Funded) Schools

- **Attendance** increased from 88.2% to 89.1%.
- **Authorised Absence** decreased from 9.6% to 8.4%.
- **Unauthorised Absence** increased slightly from 2.2% to 2.6%.
- **Persistent Absence** decreased from 38.8% to 33.5%.

## Specific Groups

- **SEN Support (K)**: Attendance improved slightly, authorised absence decreased, and persistent absence decreased.
- **SEN EHCP (E)**: Attendance fluctuated, authorised absence increased, and persistent absence decreased.
- **FSM (Free School Meals)**: Attendance improved, authorised and unauthorised absences decreased, and persistent absence decreased.
- **CiN (Children in Need)**: Attendance decreased, authorised absence increased, and persistent absence decreased.
- **CP (Child Protection)**: Attendance fluctuated, authorised absence increased, and persistent absence decreased.
- **LAC (Looked After Children)**: Attendance fluctuated, authorised absence increased, and persistent absence decreased.



## Exclusions & Suspensions

### Exclusions Overview *(previously shared November 2024)*

- During 2023/24, 186 permanent exclusions were issued to pupils attending Devon state funded schools.
- Of these 186, 20 pupils were reinstated by the school and 14 exclusions were withdrawn. This resulted in 152 permanent exclusions upheld in 2023/24. 4 of these were against pupils in alternative provision which are excluded from the benchmarking table on the right.
- Permanent exclusions fell by 13% in the last year (22 fewer children excluded). Local information indicates that the percentage of the pupil population permanently excluded also fell.
- Primary exclusions rose by 58% and secondary exclusions fell by 20%.

### Current Position

#### Permanent Exclusions and Suspensions Year on Year (Equivalent Week): 18/12/24

Academic Year	Number of Permanent Exclusions	Number of Suspensions
2024/25	68	5322
2023/24	71	7393
2022/23	71	5799

*Figures don't include PEX or Suspensions from non-Devon schools.*

#### 2023/24 Figures to Date (Number of permanent exclusions and suspensions): as at 18/12/24

Key Stage	Number of Permanent Exclusions	Number of Suspensions
EYFSP	0	13
KS1	1	79
KS2	6	394
KS3	37	2737
KS4	24	2098
KS5	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>5322</b>

- Highest Number of Permanent Exclusions: Key Stage 3 (37 exclusions)
- Highest Number of Suspensions: Key Stage 3 (2737 suspensions)
- Lowest Number of Permanent Exclusions: EYFSP and KS5 (0 exclusions each)
- Lowest Number of Suspensions: KS5 (1 suspension)

**Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 have the highest numbers of both permanent exclusions and suspensions**

## Permanent Exclusions\* state funded schools (figures exclude KS5)

	2021/22		2022/23		2023/24 *		2024/25*	
	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort
<b>Total</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>0.12%</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>0.18%</b>	156	0.17%	<b>68</b>	0.07%
<b>Primary Age</b>	12	0.02%	20	0.03%	33	0.06%	7	0.01%
<b>Secondary Age</b>	104	0.28%	158	0.42%	123	0.33%	61	0.16%
<b>SEN (E+ K)</b>	93	0.50%	125	0.65%	137	0.68%	48	0.22%
<b>SEN Support (K)</b>	78	0.56%	99	0.68%	95	0.64%	42	0.26%
<b>SEN (E)</b>	15	0.32%	26	0.53%	42	0.78%	6	0.10%
<b>LAC**</b>	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
<b>Male</b>	73	0.15%	124	0.25%	115	0.24%	40	0.08%
<b>Female</b>	43	0.09%	54	0.11%	41	0.09%	28	0.06%

\* Data Source (Devon County Council Local Data supplied from Devon Schools), pupil popn taken from Spring 24 school census data – 2024/25 taken from Local data to 18/12/2024

\*\* Students who are in care to Devon County Council

## Reasons for Exclusions

Reason	22/23	23/24	24/25
Abuse against sexual orientation	1	0	0
Abuse relating to disability	0	0	0
Bullying	4	1	0
Damage	4	1	1
Drug and alcohol related	11	6	4
Inappropriate use of social media	0	1	0
Persistent disruptive behaviour	97	90	36
Physical assault on adult	20	19	8
Physical assault on pupil	29	20	7
Racist abuse	0	0	0
Sexual misconduct	0	2	2
Theft	0	0	0
Transgression of public health	3	0	1
Use/threat of use of offensive/prohibited weapon	3	5	5
Verbal abuse/threats-adult	9	9	4
Verbal abuse/threats-pupil	5	2	0

### The mains reasons for Permanent exclusions in Devon are

1. Persistent disruptive behaviour: 54.39%
2. Physical assault on pupil: 13.66%
3. Physical assault on adult: 11.46%
4. Verbal abuse/threats-adult: 5.37%
5. Drug and alcohol related: 5.12%



## Suspensions Overview (previously shared November 2024)

- During the 2023/24 academic year 19,067 suspensions were issued to pupils attending Devon primary, secondary and special schools. This is an increase of 18% on the previous year (2,920 suspensions). In addition to this, 366 suspensions were issued to pupils attending alternative provision (not included in table on the right).
- Latest published data for 2022/23 academic year indicates that Devon’s suspension rates are higher than that seen nationally.
- Local information indicates that primary suspensions rose by 31% and secondary suspensions rose by 17%.

### Suspensions (number of pupils with one or more suspension) state funded schools, figures exclude KS5

	2021/22		2022/23		2023/24 *		2024/25 *	
	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort	Number	% of cohort
<b>Total</b>	3263	3.36%	4415	4.52%	4891	5.26%	2241	2.24%
<b>Primary Age</b>	420	0.70%	559	0.94%	724	1.34%	266	0.47%
<b>Secondary Age</b>	2843	7.60%	3856	10.16%	4167	11.06%	1975	5.02%
<b>SEN (E+ K)</b>	1696	9.09%	2329	12.02%	2703	13.43%	1319	5.98%
<b>SEN Support (K)</b>	1216	8.74%	1765	12.20%	2088	14.14%	1005	6.15%
<b>SEN (E)</b>	480	10.11%	564	11.48%	667	12.46%	329	5.75%
<b>LAC**</b>	79	8.74%	83	9.18%	106	12.14%	19	2.18%
<b>Male</b>	2140	4.30%	2825	5.65%	3115	6.52%	1414	2.96%
<b>Female</b>	1123	2.37%	1590	3.34%	1776	3.93%	827	1.82%

\* Data Source (Devon County Council Local Data supplied from Devon Schools), pupil popn taken from Spring 24 school census data, 2024/25 Local Data to 18/12/2024

\*\* As of May 2024, there are 873 children in care of which 570 (65%) are placed in Devon

## Reasons for Suspensions

Reason	22/23	23/24	24/25
Abuse against sexual orientation	57	81	21
Abuse relating to disability	2	6	2
Bullying	117	129	43
Damage	285	290	78
Drug and alcohol related	554	504	140
Inappropriate use of social media	110	127	42
Persistent disruptive behaviour	10,015	11,992	3,531
Physical assault on adult	654	829	265
Physical assault on pupil	1,687	1,936	494
Racist abuse	177	212	77
Sexual misconduct	66	105	31
Theft	39	55	17
Transgression of public health	10	44	8
Use/threat of use of offensive/prohibited weapon	169	157	60
Verbal abuse/threats-adult	2,416	2,589	738
Verbal abuse/threats-pupil	453	473	126

The mains reasons for Suspensions in Devon are

1. Persistent disruptive behaviour: 60.79%
2. Verbal abuse/threats-adult: 13.67%
3. Physical assault on pupil: 9.80%
4. Physical assault on adult: 4.16%
5. Drug and alcohol related: 2.85%



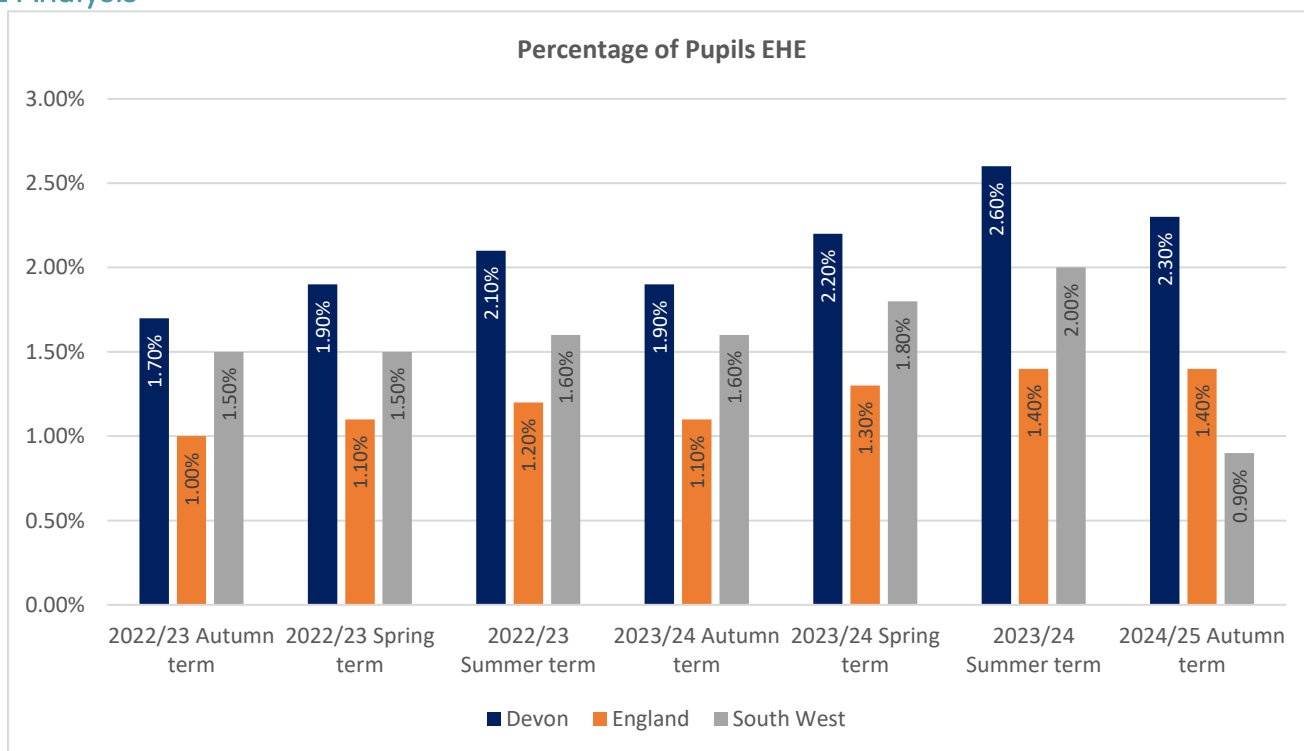
## Elective Home Education (EHE)

Data as at Census Day 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024

### Number of children electively home educated on census snapshot days (not cumulative numbers to date)

	Autumn Census 2022/23	Spring Census 2022/23	Summer Census 2022/23	Autumn Census 2023/24	Spring Census 2023/24	Summer Census 2023/24	Autumn Census 2024/25
<b>Total</b>	<b>1714</b>	<b>1911</b>	<b>2173</b>	<b>1988</b>	<b>2310</b>	<b>2642</b>	<b>2541</b>
<b>Primary</b>	616	664	736	610	709	814	723
<b>Secondary</b>	1098	1247	1437	1378	1601	1828	1818
<b>SEN (E+ K Combined)</b>	571	656	778	680	810	979	903
<b>SEN Support (K)</b>	443	508	606	516	622	763	702
<b>SEN (E)</b>	128	148	172	164	188	216	201
<b>CIN</b>	12	7	17	14	9	13	3
<b>CP</b>	6	11	11	3	2	3	2
<b>LAC</b>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Male</b>	823	914	1050	951	1108	1264	1243
<b>Female</b>	891	997	1123	1037	1202	1378	1297

## EHE Analysis



- **Higher Rates in Devon:** Devon consistently has higher EHE rates compared to the national average and the South West region.
- **Recent Decrease in the South West:** The South West saw a significant drop in the 2024/25 autumn term, unlike Devon, which maintained relatively high rates.
- **Steady Increase in England:** The national rates show a steady increase, while Devon's rates are higher and more variable.

	2022/23 Autumn term	2022/23 Spring term	2022/23 Summer term	2023/24 Autumn term	2023/24 Spring term	2023/24 Summer term	2024/25 Autumn term
England	1.00%	1.10%	1.20%	1.10%	1.30%	1.40%	1.40%
South West	1.50%	1.50%	1.60%	1.60%	1.80%	2.00%	0.90%
Devon	1.70%	1.90%	2.10%	1.90%	2.20%	2.60%	2.30%

## Reasons for EHE

Reason for EHE	Number
Physical Health	26
Mental Health	515
Health Concerns Relating to COVID-19	50
Did Not Get School Preference	8
Permanent Exclusion	5
Risk of School Exclusion	18
Difficulty in Accessing a School Place	14
Philosophical or Preferential Reasons	439
Religious Reasons	1
Lifestyle Choice	121
Suggestion/Pressure from the School	1
Dissatisfaction with the School - General	250
Dissatisfaction with the School - SEND	72
Dissatisfaction with the School - Bullying	65
Parent/Guardian Did Not Give a Reason	2
Other	207
Unknown	747

- **Mental Health** is the most cited reason with 515 cases.
- **Unknown reasons** account for a significant number, 747 cases.
- **Philosophical or Preferential Reasons** and **Dissatisfaction with the School - General** are also prominent reasons.

*A National comparison is unavailable for this data*

**Data source:** Local Data, DfE: Publication : [Elective home education, Academic year 2023/24](#)



## Children Missing Education (CME)

Number of children missing education on census snapshot days

(not cumulative numbers to date)

	Autumn Census 2022/23	Spring Census 2022/23	Summer Census 2022/23	Autumn Census 2023/24	Spring Census 2023/24	Summer Census 2023/24	Autumn Census 2024/25
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>176</b>
<b>Primary</b>	26	41	29	40	55	75	47
<b>Secondary</b>	70	79	72	106	92	119	129
<b>SEN (E+ K Combined)</b>	52	58	52	66	61	109	97
<b>SEN Support (K)</b>	24	28	29	41	36	57	49
<b>SEN (E)</b>	28	30	23	25	25	52	48
<b>CIN</b>	3	3	8	8	5	12	9
<b>CP</b>	5	9	6	4	1	9	6
<b>LAC</b>	5	10	4	7	5	2	7
<b>Male</b>	58	73	54	86	83	109	104
<b>Female</b>	38	47	47	60	64	85	72

### Length of time CME (Published data)

	England	Devon
Less than 2 weeks	14%	20%
2 to 4 weeks	15%	29%
4 to 8 weeks	11%	9%
8 to 12 weeks	9%	low
12 to 26 weeks	16%	19%
26 to 52 weeks	11%	14%
Over 52 weeks	17%	low
Unknown	7%	0%

- **Short-Term Absences:** Devon has a higher percentage of children missing education for less than 2 weeks (20%) compared to the national average (14%). This suggests that short-term absences are more common in Devon.
- **Moderate Absences:** For absences lasting 2 to 4 weeks, Devon's rate is significantly higher (29%) than the national average (15%). This indicates a notable issue with children being out of education for moderate periods.
- **Longer Absences:** Devon has a lower percentage of children missing education for 4 to 8 weeks (9%) compared to the national average (11%). This suggests that fewer children in Devon are missing education for this duration.
- **Extended Absences:** The data shows that Devon has a higher percentage of children missing education for 12 to 26 weeks (19%) compared to the national average (16%). This indicates a concern with extended absences.

Data source: [Local Dara, Children missing education, Autumn term 2024/25](#)



## Children receiving EOTAS (Education Other Than At School) packages (Statutory School Age)

Number of pupils	Total	EHCP	VSR	Male	Female	Primary age	Secondary age
As at 01/01/24	426	271	32	295	131	53	373
as at 14/05/24	497	149	13	303	194	69	428
as at 01/03/24	395	195	10	251	144	55	340

### Number of pupils receiving EOTAS by year group

	NCY R	NCY 1	NCY 2	NCY 3	NCY 4	NCY 5	NCY 6	NCY 7	NCY 8	NCY 9	NCY 10	NCY 11
As at 01/01/24	0	2	6	9	13	12	11	27	44	74	96	132
as at 14/05/24	0	5	6	11	14	13	20	27	71	99	117	114
as at 01/03/24	0	5	3	8	14	6	19	17	56	78	97	92



### Ofsted Overview *(previously shared November 2024)*

- 87.3% of Devon primary, secondary and special schools are judged by Ofsted as good or outstanding compared to 90.4% nationally.
- 88.3% of Devon primary schools have been judged as good or outstanding, which is also close to the national average (91.7%).
- Devon secondary schools are not performing as well as nationally with 78% judged good or outstanding compared to 84.2% nationally.
- 90.9% of Devon special schools are judged as good or outstanding, slightly better than the national average (90.2%).
- Whilst inspections were put on hold during the pandemic, the percentage of schools now judged as good or outstanding is higher than that seen pre pandemic (87.8% in Aug 2024 compared to 86.8% in August 2019).

### Ofsted Current

Single headline Ofsted grades have been scrapped from September 2024.

An interim set of analysis will be provided until the 'Report Cards' are brought into effect from September 2025.

This report will be adapted in future iterations to reflect the new framework

### Devon Schools and Pupils

- As at Jan 2025, 64% of schools <sup>1</sup> in Devon are Academies (including free schools) and 36% are LA maintained schools. In Oct 2023 58% of schools were Academies and 42% were LA maintained.
- Of the 238 academies/free schools, 215 (96%) are supported by 34 multi academy trusts.
- Of the 134 LA maintained schools, 62 (46%) are supported by 19 Federations.

<sup>1</sup>nursery, primary, secondary, special and AP/PRU (excludes independents & FE)

number of schools in Devon	Oct-21	Oct-22	Oct 23	May 24	Jan 25
nur, pri, sec, spec & AP/PRU schools	372	372	372	372	372
maintained schools	177	164	157	148	134
<i>of which</i>					
Number of federations	27	24	22	21	19
Number of schools supported by federations	75	69	67	68	62
academies/free schools	195	208	215	224	238
<i>of which</i>					
Number of MATs *	30	29	29	26	34
Number of schools supported by MAT	184	197	206	215	226
Number of schools supported by SAT	11	11	9	9	12

data source: DfE Get Information About Schools (GIAS), Local Data



## Attainment

In November we shared the outcomes for Phonics and KS2.

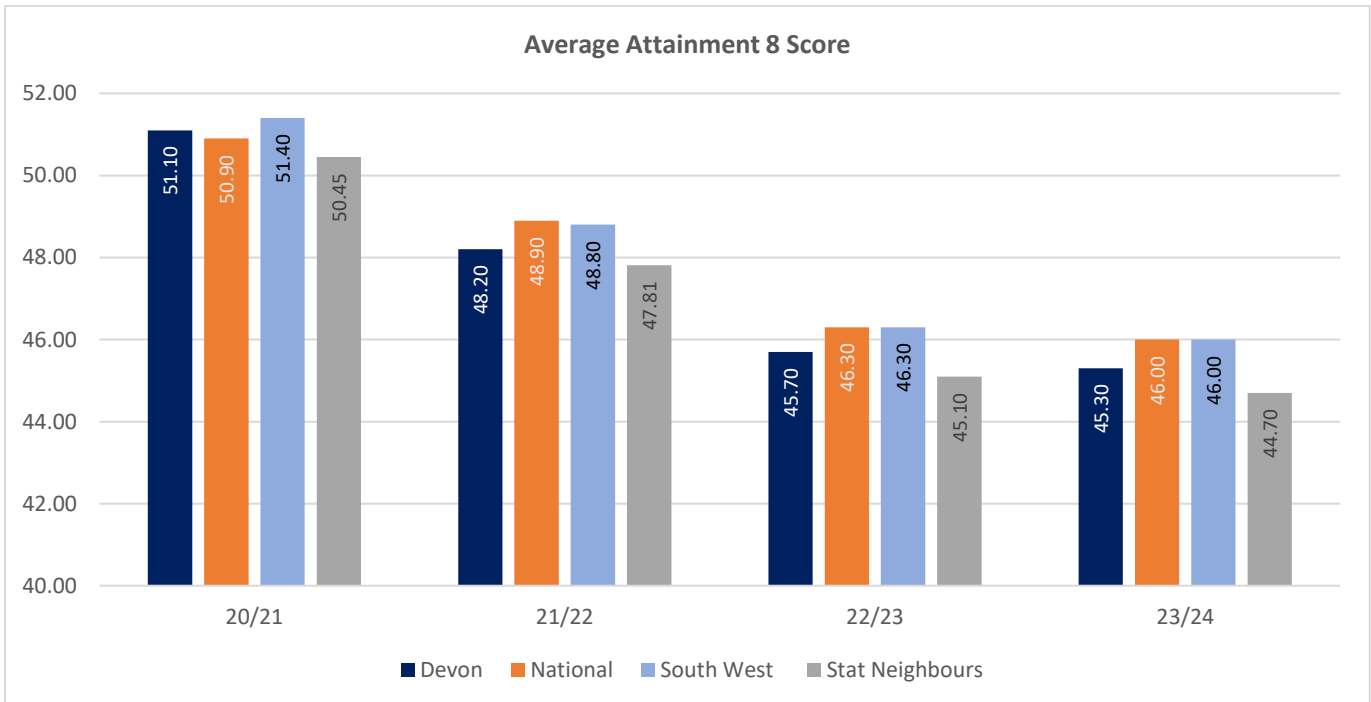
The Results for KS4 and KS5 have now been published following a delay from the DfE

### Key Stage 4

This release reflects the GCSE grades awarded to pupils in August 2024.

It provides information on the awards of GCSEs and other qualifications of young people in academic year 2023 to 2024. This typically covers those starting the academic year aged 15

### Average Attainment 8 Score



- In the academic year 23/24 Students in Devon achieved a lower Average Point score (45.3) than Nationally (46.0) across the South-West (46.0) but higher than Statistical Neighbours (44.7)
- In the academic Year 23/24 for the whole cohort there was a decrease in the average point score Locally (-0.4), Nationally (-0.3), Regionally (-0.3) and across statistical neighbours (-0.4)

## Overall Trends:

All regions show a consistent decline in performance over the four years.

**Devon:** Started at 51.10 in 20/21 and decreased to 45.30 in 23/24.

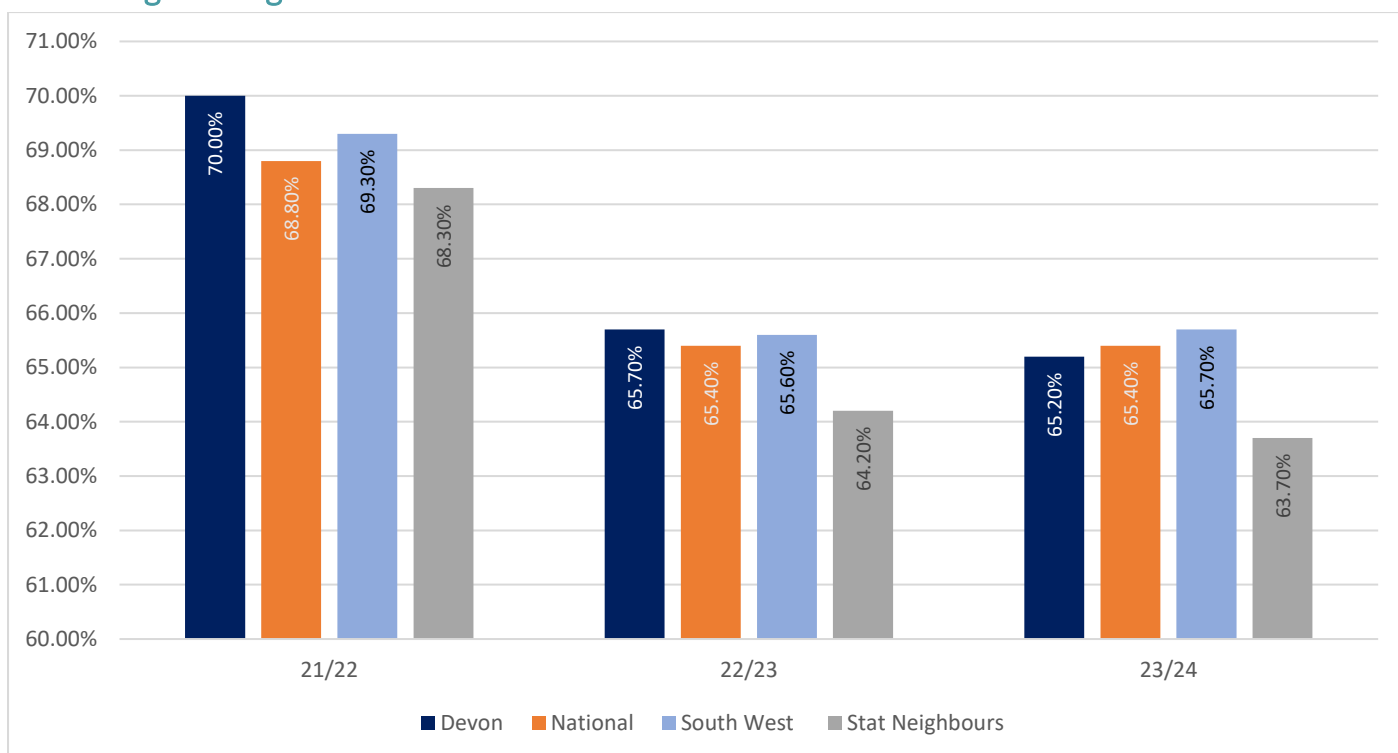
**National:** Began at 50.90 in 20/21 and dropped to 46.00 in 23/24.

**South-West:** Started at 51.40 in 20/21 and fell to 46.00 in 23/24.

**Stat Neighbours:** Began at 50.45 in 20/21 and decreased to 44.70 in 23/24.

Average Point Score	Devon	National	South West	Stat Neighbours
All	45.3	46.1	46	44.7
Boys	43.2	43.9	43.9	42.2
Girls	47.6	48.4	48.1	47
Disadvantaged	32	34.7	32.6	32.2
Non Disadvantaged	49	50.2	49.6	48
EHCP	15.2	14.2	14.3	14.2
SEN Support	31.1	33.1	33	31.7
No SEN	50.4	50	50.4	48.6
FSM	31.8	34.7	32.6	32.1
Non FSM	48.6	49.7	49.2	47.6

## Achieving 9-4 English and Maths



- In the academic year 23/24 a lower percentage of Students in Devon (65.2%) achieved 9-4 grades in English and Maths than Nationally (65.4%) across the
- South-West (65.7%) but higher than Statistical Neighbours (63.7%)
- Compared to the previous year there was a decrease in the % achieving 9-4 English and Maths in Devon (-0.5%) and across statistical neighbours (-0.5%). In the South-West there was an increase (0.1%) and Nationally this remained the same

## Overall Trends:

**Devon:** There has been a slight decline from 70.00% in 2021/22 to 65.20% in 2023/24.

**National:** The percentage remained stable at 65.40% in the last two years after a drop from 68.80% in 2021/22.

**South-West:** The percentage has been relatively stable, with a small increase to 65.70% in 2023/24.

**Stat Neighbours:** There has been a consistent decline from 68.30% in 2021/22 to 63.70% in 2023/24

## EBACC (English Baccalaureate) APS

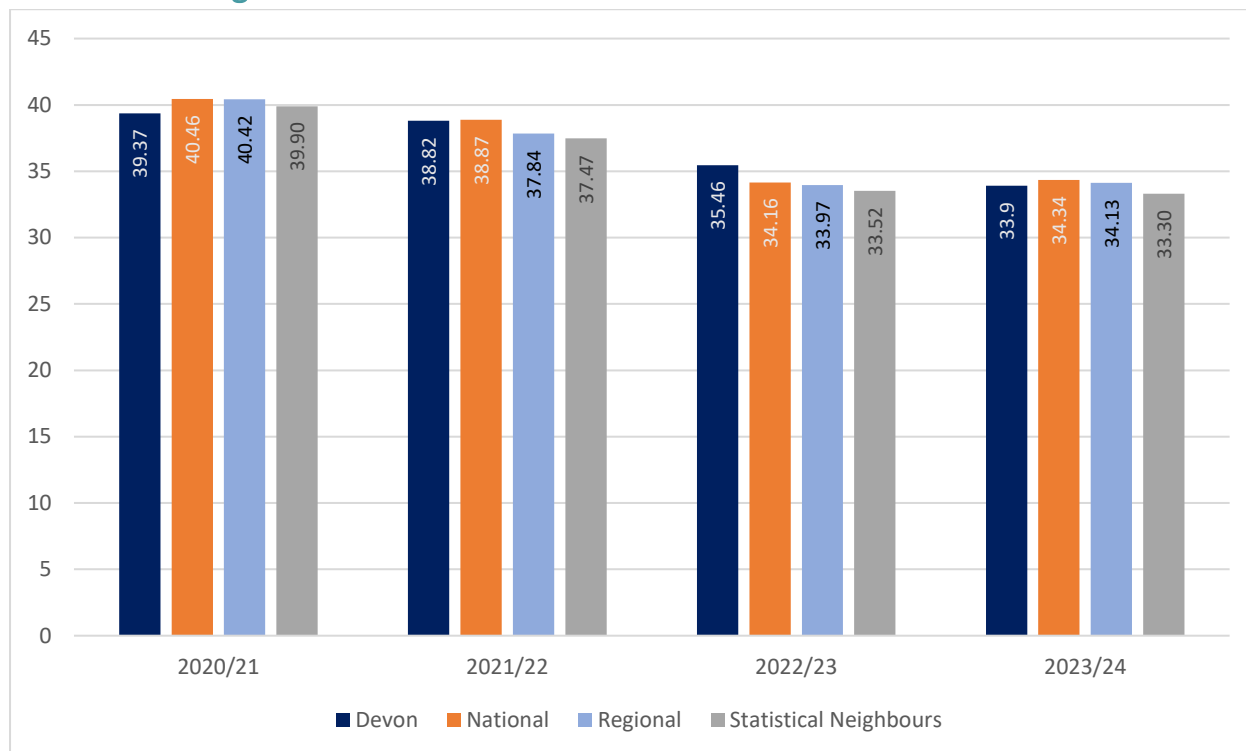
EBACC APS	Devon	National	South West	Stat Neighbours
All	4.04	4.09	4.02	3.9
Boys	3.87	3.91	3.86	3.7
Girls	4.22	4.27	4.19	4.1
Disadvantaged	2.78	3	2.78	2.8
Non Disadvantaged	4.38	4.48	4.36	4.2
EHCP	1.24	1.14	1.16	1.2
SEN Support	2.62	2.79	2.76	2.7
No SEN	4.53	4.47	4.44	4.3
FSM	2.76	3	2.78	2.7
Non FSM	4.34	4.43	4.32	4.2

## Key Stage 5

- **KS5 :** This statistical release focuses on the A level results of students at the end of 16-18 study in 2023/24 in schools and colleges in England. This provisional release includes student characteristic breakdowns such as disadvantage status, Special Educational Needs status and ethnicity.
- Comparisons are made to revised data for 2022/23, which was the first year the awarding of grades returned to pre-pandemic standards for GCSEs, AS and A levels and vocational and technical qualifications (VTQs).
- Due to quality issues in some of the vocational data this provisional release will not include data on outcomes for applied general and tech level qualifications. Complete data for all qualifications will be included in the scheduled update with revised data in February.



## KS5 A- level Average Point Score



- In the academic year 23/24 Students in Devon achieved a lower Average Point score (33.9) than Nationally (34.34) across the South-West (34.13) but higher than Statistical Neighbours (33.3)
- In the academic Year 23/24 for the whole cohort there was a decrease in the average point score Locally (-1.56) and Statistical Neighbours (-0.22). There was an increase for National (0.18) Regional (0.16)

## Overall Trend

- **Devon:** There has been a consistent decline from 39.37 in 2020/21 to 33.9 in 2023/24.
- **National:** The scores have also declined from 40.46 in 2020/21 to 34.34 in 2023/24, with a slight increase in the last year.
- **Regional:** The scores have decreased from 40.42 in 2020/21 to 34.13 in 2023/24, with a slight increase in the last year.
- **Statistical Neighbours:** The scores have consistently declined from 39.90 in 2020/21 to 33.30 in 2023/24.

	National (All State funded Schools & Colleges)	Devon (All State funded Schools & Colleges)	South West (All State funded Schools & Colleges)	Statistical Neighbours (All State funded Schools & Colleges)
All	34.34	33.9	34.13	33.3
Boys	34.83	32.92	33.24	32.26
Girls	36.05	34.63	34.88	34.14
Disadvantaged	30.15	30.33	29.45	29.27
Non Disadvantaged	35	34.35	34.66	33.74
EHCP	32.02	32.02	32.48	32.3
SEN Support	32.77	33.38	32.55	31.49
No SEN	34.44	33.98	34.28	33.41
EAL	33.13	35.09	32.73	32.57
Non EAL	34.68	33.86	34.33	33.41
FSM	30.21	30.33	29.43	29.42
Non FSM	35.95	34.18	34.52	33.62

**Overall:** Devon (33.9) is slightly below the national average (34.34) and the South West average (34.13), but above the statistical neighbours' average (33.3).

**Boys:** Devon (32.92) is below the national average (34.83), the South West average (33.24), and the statistical neighbours' average (32.26).

**Girls:** Devon (34.63) is below the national average (36.05) and the South West average (34.88), but above the statistical neighbours' average (34.14).

**Disadvantaged:** Devon (30.33) is slightly above the national average (30.15), the South West average (29.45), and the statistical neighbours' average (29.27).

**Non-Disadvantaged:** Devon (34.35) is below the national average (35.0) and the South West average (34.66), but above the statistical neighbours' average (33.74).

**EHCP:** Devon (32.02) matches the national average (32.02), is slightly below the South West average (32.48), but above the statistical neighbours' average (32.3).

**SEN Support:** Devon (33.38) is above the national average (32.77), the South West average (32.55), and the statistical neighbours' average (31.49).

**No SEN:** Devon (33.98) is slightly below the national average (34.44) and the South West average (34.28), but above the statistical neighbours' average (33.41).

**EAL (English as an Additional Language):** Devon (35.09) is above the national average (33.13), the South West average (32.73), and the statistical neighbours' average (32.57).

**Non EAL:** Devon (33.86) is below the national average (34.68) and the South West average (34.33), but above the statistical neighbours' average (33.41).

**FSM (Free School Meals):** Devon (30.33) is slightly above the national average (30.21), the South West average (29.43), and the statistical neighbours' average (29.42).

**Non FSM:** Devon (34.18) is below the national average (35.95) and the South West average (34.52), but above the statistical neighbours' average (33.62).