

10 February 2021
Our ref: 6940948

Thank you for your request received on 13 January 2021, for the following information:

The following request concerns looked after children and young people under the age of 18 who have been placed in unregulated accommodation for any period of time during the past five years.

- 1. Please could you provide the numbers of children placed in unregulated settings broken down on a calendar year basis for each of the past five years.**
- 2. For each of these years, could the numbers be further broken down according to how many were in independent living (for example flat lodgings/B and B or with friends) and how many were in semi-independent living settings not subject to children's homes regulations.**

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

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Calendar Year	Number of Children
2016	92
2017	144
2018	139
2019	112
2020	110

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and B or with friends) and how many were in semi-independent living settings not subject to children's homes regulations.

All the children were placed in semi-independent accommodation; our semi-independent range from 24 hour supported Shared or Solo Accommodation & Non 24 hour supported Shared or Solo Accommodation.

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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