

London Borough of Barnet  
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London, NW9 4EW  
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Our ref: 7695616

Thank you for your request received on 4 October 2021, for the following information:

- 1) How many children (up to age of 18) have been allocated to a social worker for assessment, review, or any other intervention so far in 2021?**
- 2) How many adults (over 18) have been allocated to a social worker for assessment, review, or any other intervention so far in 2021 so far in 2021?**
- 3) How many children (up to age 18) were allocated to social workers in 2020?**
- 4) How many adults (over age 18) were allocated to social workers in 2020?**
- 5) What was your budget for childrens services for Apr 2020 - Apr 21?**
- 6) What was your budget for adult social care for Apr 2020 - Apr 2021?**
- 7) How many social workers do you employ?**
- 8) What is your sickness rate for social workers at present?**

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

## **Response**

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

***1) How many children (up to age of 18) have been allocated to a social worker for assessment, review, or any other intervention so far in 2021?***

2491 children

***2) How many adults (over 18) have been allocated to a social worker for assessment, review, or any other intervention so far in 2021 so far in 2021?***

2316 adults

***3) How many children (up to age 18) were allocated to social workers in 2020?***

2854 children

***4) How many adults (over age 18) were allocated to social workers in 2020?***

4421 adults

***5) What was your budget for childrens services for Apr 2020 - Apr 21?***

01 April 2020 - 31 March 2021 - £70,023,760.78.

**6) What was your budget for adult social care for Apr 2020 - Apr 2021?**

01 April 2020 - 31 March 2021 - £103.1m (net budget, exclusive of Government grant income which is budgeted for outside of Adults).

**7) How many social workers do you employ?**

Children's Social Care - 149 permanent qualified Social Workers

Adult Social Care - 72 Social Workers including senior practitioners for Approved Mental Health Professionals

**8) What is your sickness rate for social workers at present?**

Information regarding Information about children's social workers sickness rate employed in local authorities and agency social workers is published annually and can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/childrens-social-work-workforce-2020>

Adults Social Care - 73 days sickness / 72 social workers \*253/100 = sickness rate 2.57%

**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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