

London Borough of Barnet  
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Colindale,  
London, NW9 4EW  
9 September 2022  
Our ref: 8349657

Thank you for your request received on 27 July 2022, for the following information:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with the data/information for the following questions:**

- 1. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care?**
- 2. How many children have become LAC in your area each calendar year for the past 5 years?**
- 3. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care that are also registered as Electively Home Educated (EHE)?**
- 4. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care that are registered as Children Missing Education (CME)?**
- 5. How many LAC (Looked After Children) have been Permanently Excluded this academic year (September 2021-July 2022)?**
- 6. Please share the support the LA provide with regards to school attendance and LAC.**
- 7. How many LAC (Looked After Children) have gone missing this year? (01.01.2022-28.07.2022)**
- 8. As of 28.07.2022- how many LAC are known to the Youth Offending Team?**

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

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- 1. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care?***

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- 2. How many children have become LAC in your area each calendar year for the past 5 years?***

<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
206	173	160	191	142	193 (to date)

**3. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care that are also registered as Electively Home Educated (EHE)?**

None

**4. How many children of compulsory school age do you currently (28.07.22) have under local authority care that are registered as Children Missing Education (CME)?**

None

**5. How many LAC (Looked After Children) have been Permanently Excluded this academic year (September 2021-July 2022)?**

None

**6. Please share the support the LA provide with regards to school attendance and LAC.**

- Daily monitoring of all statutory age children by phone every day using an outside provider
- Immediate alert when school notifies of an exclusion
- Weekly monitoring of all post 16 and early years young people using outside provider
- Deputy head of Virtual School responsible for overseeing attendance
- Every CiC has Virtual School caseworker allocated who monitors attendance of their cohort and follows up on issues
- Attendance monitored in every PEP
- Attendance put as a target on the PEP for any young person with attendance below 95% unless there is a specific reason. Strategies to support should include all how all stakeholders can support
- Use of LAs guidance on EBSA
- Training for schools and reminders re attendance

**7. How many LAC (Looked After Children) have gone missing this year? (01.01.2022-28.07.2022)**

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**8. As of 28.07.2022- how many LAC are known to the Youth Offending Team?**

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#### **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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