

16 February 2023

Dear

**ATISN 17090**

Thank you for your request which I received on 26 January 2023. You asked for the following information, for which responses are provided below:

1. The number of children in Wales with disabilities?

**The number of disabled children is available from the 2021 Census. The ONS release Disability by age, sex and deprivation, England and Wales: Census 2021 is available here: [Disability by age, sex and deprivation, England and Wales: Census 2021 - Office for National Statistics \(ons.gov.uk\)](https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/disabilitiesandlongtermhealth/bulletins/disabilitybyageandsexanddeprivation/2021)**

2. The number of children in Wales with ALN?

**There were 74,661 pupils with additional learning or special educational needs in maintained schools (15.8% of all pupils) at February 2022: [Pupils with additional learning or special educational needs by sector and year \(gov.wales\)](https://gov.wales/pupils-with-additional-learning-or-special-educational-needs-by-sector-and-year)**

**The 'Additional learning needs (ALN) and special educational needs (SEN)' section in the Schools' census results: February 2022 publication contains additional information relating to these figures: [Schools' census results: February 2022 | GOV.WALES](https://gov.wales/schools-census-results-february-2022)**

3. The number of children 0-16 in Wales in receipt of disability living allowance - as below.
  - Low-rate care
  - Medium-rate care
  - High-rate Care
  - Low-rate mobility
  - High-rate mobility.

**Welsh Government does not hold this data. Disability Living Allowance data is available from the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). DWP benefit statistics can be explored by registering or as a guest user on the Stat-Xplore tool: [Stat-Xplore - Log in \(dwp.gov.uk\)](https://www.dwp.gov.uk/stat-xplore)**

4. [KPMG Template \(gov.wales\)](https://gov.wales/kpmg-template) is this the latest Evaluation of the Disability Living Allowance Take-up Campaign for Children in Wales? or do you know of any recent data or evaluation for DLA for children in Wales?

**The 2011 report is the latest evaluation of the Disability Living Allowance take-up campaign for children in Wales. There are a number of other disability/allowance related research reports which do not specifically cover**

**DLA which can be found or searched for via our Statistics and research page:**  
[Statistics and research | GOV.WALES](#)

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However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely