

4 September 2025

Dear

ATISN 25050

Thank you for your request which I received on 11 August. You asked for the following information:

1. Does the Welsh Government hold data on the number of pupils who were excluded (suspension or permanent) while awaiting an Individual Development Plan (IDP) assessment?
2. If so, please provide:
 - 2.1 The number of such exclusions for the past academic year
 - 2.2 A breakdown of the number of such exclusions by school phase (e.g. primary, secondary)
 - 2.3 Whether the exclusions were fixed-term suspension or permanent
 - 2.4 The number of exclusions by local authority, if available
3. If this specific data is not held, please confirm:
 - 3.1 Whether any related proxy data exists (e.g. exclusions of pupils with Additional Learning Needs or with an IDP in progress)
 - 3.2 Whether the Government has conducted any analysis, internal review, or policy work related to exclusions during the IDP assessment process.

Our response

1. We do not hold this information.
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- 3.1 We publish data annually on exclusions for pupils with ALN which includes data on pupils with an agreed IDP (whether school or LA maintained). This data can be found in tables 5 and 6 of the spreadsheet in the releases at the link below.

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Data for the 2023/24 academic year will be published by the end of October 2025.

- 3.2 We have not conducted any analysis, internal review, or policy work related to exclusions during the IDP assessment process.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response.

Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

or e-mail: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Website: www.ico.org.uk

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

Yours sincerely