

Oxfordshire Childcare Sufficiency Assessment

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Scope of this report and help with finding early years and childcare provision

This report is a snapshot and provides a picture of the overall supply of childcare and early years provision in Oxfordshire, mostly reflecting data as at 30 September 2016.

Families can obtain help in finding childcare through using the [Family Information Directory](#) www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/parents . This includes an on-line search facility.

Oxfordshire Family Information Service Tel: **0345 241 2487** is also able to help families find childcare and access the support available to help pay for childcare.

Families' childcare needs, along with the availability of places, are constantly changing and the Council welcomes feedback if there are difficulties in finding suitable childcare. The Council cannot guarantee a place in the specific area that parents would like but it is our desire that as many parents as possible are able to find the childcare they need to be able to work, or undertake training that will lead to work, and all families who wish to are able to access their entitlement to a funded early education place.

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Background to the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment report

Under Sections 6 and 7(as substituted by section 1 of the Education Act 2011) of the Childcare Act 2006 Oxfordshire County Council has a responsibility to ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that there is sufficient childcare to enable families:-

- a) to access the free early education entitlement for their child.
- b) to take up, or remain in work, or
- c) to undertake education or training, which could reasonably lead to work.

Funded Early Education Entitlement

Early Education for eligible children aged 2

- A targeted offer of 570 hours per year for the most vulnerable 2 year old children.
- The aim is to reduce the pre-school educational gap that can start to occur from this age.
- In Oxfordshire on average circa 1,670 children were eligible each term, during the last year.

Early Education for children aged 3 and 4

- A universal offer of 570 hours per year for children from the school term after their 3rd birthday.
- Children receive early education, focusing the specific learning needs of these young children. The aim is to prepare children for lifelong learning and ensure that they are ready to go to school.
- By the summer term it was estimated that over 13,000 children were entitled to places in Oxfordshire.

Extended Early Education/Childcare for children aged 3 and 4.

- From September 2017 children of most working parents will be eligible for an extended offer of 1,140 hours per year (or an additional 15 hours per week).
- The aim is to encourage parents of young children to remain economically active by reducing the cost of childcare. It is also hoped that the increased entitlement will encourage more parents to take up work.
- It is estimated that circa 64% of nursery age children living in Oxfordshire will be eligible for the increased entitlement, assuming a 90% take up of the entitlement.

Childcare

Sufficient childcare means securing the right type and volume of provision, so far as is reasonably practicable, for working parents or those undertaking training with the intention of returning to work, for children aged 0 - 14 (up to 18 for a disabled child). The aim is to ensure parents are supported to be economically active.

Delivery

- Local authorities are not expected to deliver provision themselves but to work with providers in order to ensure there is sufficient provision available to meet families' needs. It is expected that local authorities only directly deliver provision in exceptional circumstances, such as where nobody else is willing to do so or it is clearly more appropriate for the authority to do so. (Note: provision delivered by a local authority maintained school is not regarded as provision made by a local authority.)
- Places are delivered through a mixed market of private and voluntary providers, including pre-schools, day nurseries and childminders, and through schools, including maintained nursery schools and classes and academies and Free Schools.

Key findings

Overview of childcare and early education places

Oxfordshire Family Information Service receives very little feedback from parents that their childcare needs cannot be met. This level of feedback together with the spread and range of childcare across the County suggests that overall the Council is meeting its childcare sufficiency duty in most of the County and as far as is practicable.

For pre-school children (0 – 4 age group) the population forecast for 2016 estimates that the number of children had reduced by 540 (1.3%) to 40,929 since 2015. The number of childcare places available for this age group reduced to 18,923 (19,134) due to a significant reduction in the number of childminders. Overall the availability of places remained static at a place for every 2.2 children. This level of availability seems to ensure sufficient provision.

For primary aged children (5 – 11 age group) the population forecast for 2016 estimates that the number of children increased by over 2,500 (+4.6%) since 2015. Whilst the overall number of childcare places available for this age group has increased, despite the fall in childminders places, the overall number of children per place has increased from 4.2 to 4.3.

The take up of funded early education places is high, indicating that overall supply is good.

Childminders

There has been a significant decrease in the number of childminders in Oxfordshire. There is a national trend that has seen numbers of childminders in England decrease by more than a fifth (22%) since 31 August 2012. However the recent reduction in numbers in Oxfordshire is nearly double the national trend. Consequently Oxfordshire Family Information Service is receiving increasing reports of parents unable to find childcare when a childminder is their preference.

In the 18 month period since the 2015 sufficiency report was compiled there was a net decrease of 136 (18.9%) in the number of childminders in the County.

The reasons that childminders cease to operate are varied. A survey carried out in September and October 2015 identified the following reasons: change of circumstances, change of career, too much paper work, Ofsted inspection experience and financial.

The Council's Early Years Team actively seeks to recruit childminders. Comprehensive [information on becoming a childminder is available on the Council's website](#). Free two hour pre-registration briefing sessions are also offered. These are targeted at areas where it would be desirable to increase the numbers of childminders. There has been a recent trend of lower numbers attending the briefing sessions.

Day Nurseries

During the period since the last report the number of day nurseries in the County has remained static at 136. Overall the number of places available has increased by 142, including some nurseries expanding. A nursery that closed in July 2016 is due to re-open in January 2017 under new management.

Pre-schools/Playgroups and Schools

There has been a reduction of 10, to 150, in the number of pre-schools/playgroups in the County during the period since the last report.

Many pre-schools/playgroups are located on school sites and by far the main reason for the closure was merging with schools. Where this happens the school is encouraged to continue to deliver similar services. There were a few pre-schools/playgroups that closed due to low numbers but none of these has resulted in a sufficiency gap being identified.

During the period under review the number of schools providing early education places increased by 7 and overall the number of places available at pre-schools/playgroups and schools increased by 80 to 8,919.

Out of School provision

The number of breakfast and after school clubs available for primary age children had remained virtually static at 172 (173) and 193 (192) respectively.

The number of places available in breakfast and after school clubs for primary age child had both increased to 3,670 (3,443) and 4,208 (3,953), suggesting that providers are responding to demand. The number of holiday playschemes available for primary age children has decreased to 163 (172) but this had only resulted in a small decrease in the number of places to 4,397 (4,459). The previous report was in March 2015, which is more likely to include playschemes that run in the summer holidays only.

The supply of childcare for children and young people aged 12 years and over is fairly static. However this data does not include sports, leisure and arts activities, open access adventure playgrounds, sports camps and holiday activities etc. run by community, sport and cultural organisations that often function as de facto childcare, especially for older children. Where details of these activities are obtained the information is included in the [Family Information Directory](#).

Since September 2016 parents have the [right to ask their child's school to establish wraparound and/or holiday childcare](#) and childcare providers have the right to request to use school facilities for these purposes.

Funded early education places for eligible 2 year old children

In general there appears to be sufficient places in most parts of Oxfordshire for parents who wish their children to access their entitlement to find a place.

The number of eligible children has fallen from circa 1,757 (autumn 2015) to 1,620 (summer 2016), most likely reflecting the high levels of employment in Oxfordshire.

The minimum availability of places was at its highest in spring 2016 (99%), although this fell back to 87% (summer 2016). The reduction in availability is most likely due to the number of 3 and 4 year old children eligible to early education peaking each summer term and providers having the flexibility to offer available places across these age groups.

The take up of places, assessed at the end of each school term, has remained high, averaging 74% in the 2015/16 academic years. The take up in the summer 2016 term was 72%, despite the drop in available places during that term.

The take up of places in Oxfordshire compares well with a take up in England of 68% and the South East of 69%. ([National Early Years Census January 2016](#) – comparative Oxfordshire take up 71%) This comparatively high take up is an indicator of both good availability of places and effective promotion of the entitlement.

The school partnership areas where the available data suggests sufficiency gaps are Abingdon, Carterton and parts of Oxford, particularly Headington. We also receive reports of lack of places in more local areas, including Grove, Chinnor, Stanton Harcourt, Standlake, and the Harwell ward.

Funded early education places for all 3 and 4 year old children

Availability of places is good across Oxfordshire and in most school partnership areas. Take up of the entitlement is very high. Very few instances are identified of children not taking up at least some of their entitlement before entering a school reception class.

Sufficiency of places is assessed in the summer term, as this is when the numbers of eligible children peak. The overall minimum availability of places was assessed as being 106% in the summer 2016 term.

[National Early Years Census January 2016](#) recorded overall take up of early education for children aged 3 and 4, in England at 95%. Oxfordshire was at 100%.

Extended Early Education/Childcare for children aged 3 and 4.

Development work is continuing in advance of the extended entitlement becoming available for eligible parents from September 2017.

Using current population information the Council estimates that by the summer term around 8,300 children will be eligible for the extended entitlement, assuming a 90% take up. However the DfE have estimated 5,670 children will be eligible in Oxfordshire but have not provided the detail behind this calculation.

Over 3,000 places, already being paid for by parents, have been identified. The new entitlement is intended to pay for these hours. A school accommodation survey revealed that circa 1,000 additional places could be available in schools.

It is unclear how many providers will participate in the extended entitlement. Of 163 responses to a survey in April 2016:-

- 97 were unsure whether they would offer the 30 hour entitlement.
- 44 intended to offer the 30 hour entitlement.
- 22 did not intend to offer 30 hour entitlement.

The main barriers providers mentioned were:-

- Funding rates – 78 responses
- No spare capacity – 50 responses
- Insufficient staff – 25 responses

Since this survey was carried out the government has announced and consulted on an [Early Years National Funding Formula](#). A consequence of this formula is that Oxfordshire early years and childcare providers, in the private and voluntary sector, are only likely to receive a minimal increase in the Nursery Education Funding base rate that they receive. The current hourly base rate for, private and voluntary providers, is £3.98.

The availability of places to deliver the new entitlement will depend very much on the number of providers willing and able to offer the extended entitlement.

Work is still in progress to increase capacity. This could be met to some degree by providers offering more flexibility in terms of hours and weeks that they are opening, stretching the entitlement and before and after school clubs registering for younger children. Childminders will also be key where schools for instance will want to continue with 15 hour places. A partnership with childminders offering the additional hours could be a good solution for some parents, as a blended approach to their managing childcare needs.

Childcare for families with disabled children

All early years and childcare providers are encouraged and supported to be inclusive and offer places to meet the needs of all children. The Family Information Service generally finds that most childcare providers are willing to respond to the needs of disabled children and those with special educational needs.

The support offered includes:-

- services that provide [Early Support for children with complex health needs or disabilities](#)
 - support to mainstream providers by the [Early Years Team](#)
 - [Special Education Needs support for providers](#), available on the Council's website.
 - Training, including Equality and Diversity and undertaking the Early Years Special Education Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) role is available as part the [Council's Step into Training programme](#) for early years and childcare providers.
 - Support and training for carers and support workers of children with specific health needs in various community settings which follows the Oxfordshire Shared Care Protocols (2016) from the training co-ordinator of the Oxfordshire Community Children's Nursing Team. They can also provide general medical awareness training for carers and support workers of children.
- The [Family Information Directory](#) highlights some providers with a Local Offer Flag. This is where sufficient information has been provided to identify providers who offer places in accordance with the Council's [Special Educational Needs and Disabilities \(SEND\) Local Offer](#). The Local Offer brings together information about education, health and care services for children and young people from 0 to 25 with SEND.
 - In September 2016 there were 329 provisions identified as supporting the [Local Offer](#).
 - In September 2016 there were 214 Ofsted registered home childcarers in the County.

Home childcarers are employed by the families and enable parents to have a child cared for in their own home by a carer who is registered with Ofsted and can demonstrate that they have common core skills and paediatric first aid qualifications. Children with complex health and behavioural needs, including Autistic Spectrum Disorders (ASD), may particularly benefit from the continuity of childcare and play offered in their own home as well as access to equipment to meet their care needs.

- The Council has contracts with a number of providers to deliver a range of childcare and short breaks services. The number of disabled children and young people using these services continues to increase. Currently more than 800 children with disabilities and their families benefit from a range of services including after-school clubs, holiday play schemes, teenage youth groups and, for some, overnight respite care.

A summary of the services commissioned is on page 9 and full details can be found in the Council's Short Breaks [webpage](#). The current contracts run until the end of March 2017. New services will be in place from April 2017.

- The children's disability team also provide additional support for staffing, training or equipment to enable inclusion and access into clubs and activities when needed, as well as help with the costs of transport and fees for services, for families facing financial difficulties.
- The Council continues to work in partnership with families, so that they are able to contribute to the shaping of services, and to take part in decisions about available options and best use of available resources in response to local needs. The Council will also ensure that families have opportunities to review service performance and to provide feedback to inform plans for the future.

Help and support with finding childcare and short break activities for disabled children

1. [Oxfordshire Family Information Directory](#)

The Family Information Service generally finds that most childcare providers are willing to respond to the needs of disabled children and those with special educational needs.

2. Disability Information Officer

The [Disability Information Officer](#) is based at [Oxfordshire Family Information Service](#) and can help families find childcare and short break activities for children.

Between 1st October 2015 and 30th September 2016 332 contacts were made with families with a child with a disability or an additional need. They received support, advice and guidance. Of those approximately 200 would have had more in-depth support including information on childcare provision. In-depth brokerage, where providers are contacted to source appropriate childcare, was carried out for 9 families.

3. **Children attending special schools** - Out of School Liaison Officers (OSLOs), linked to special schools, help parents/carers to find out about out of school and short break activities for their children.

Organisations commissioned to provide short breaks and out of school provision for disabled children and their families in Oxfordshire September 2015 to March 2017

Provider	Type of provision	Location	Age range
The Parasol Project *	Inclusive holiday activities	Tower Playbase, Oxford	5-10 years
	After School club (as required)*	Tower Playbase, Oxford	5-10 years
	Teenage activities*	Oxford	11-17 years
Barnardo's Community Short Breaks	Holiday Playscheme	Abingdon	5-17 years
		Bicester and Kidlington	
		Wantage	
		Witney	
		Banbury	
	After School club	Abingdon	5 -17 years
		Banbury	13-17 years
		Bicester and Kidlington	5 -17 years
		Witney	5 -17 years
	Youth Groups	Abingdon	13-17 years
		Banbury	
		Bicester	
Let's Play Project	After school club	Banbury	5 -17 years
	Holiday playscheme	Banbury	5 -17 years
Autism Family Support	Holiday playscheme	Across the county	8 -17 years
	Youth groups	Across the county	8 -17 years
Core Assets Children's Services	After School	Wheatley	5-17 years
	Holiday Playscheme	Wheatley	5-17 years
	Holiday Playscheme	Sonning Common	5-17 years
	Youth group	Didcot	11-17 years
Bishopswood School	After school club for Bishopswood School pupils (3 days a week)	Sonning Common	5-17 years
Bardwell School	After School club for Bardwell School pupils (2 days a week)	Bicester	5-17 years
Yellow Submarine	Holiday Activities	Abingdon	11 -17 years
		Oxford East	11-17 years
		Oxford West	11-17 years
		Witney	11-17 years
	Summer holidays (Abingdon & Witney college)	Witney	16-18 years
	Youth Groups	Oxford	13-17 years
		Witney	13-17 years

* Parasol also offers a Teenage group and an After School Club, funded through their own fundraising.

New services will be in place from April 2017.

For more information please:

- check the Council's Short Breaks [webpage](#),
- email the Disabled Children's Short Break Team on cdsredesign@oxfordshire.gov.uk
- check the Oxfordshire [Family Information Service Directory](#)
- contact Pauline MacKinnon ([Disability Information Officer](#)).

The cost of childcare

The available information on fees in Oxfordshire¹ shows that the cost of most types of childcare has increased above the level of inflation during the year to March 2016.

This is in contrast to the national picture, reported by the Family and Childcare Trust Childcare Costs Survey 2016², that most childcare fees were increasing at or below the rate of inflation. However fees are reported as having generally increased in the South East area.

Oxfordshire day nursery fees continue to be higher than the South East average², whilst the available childminder information suggests that fees charged in Oxfordshire remain below the regional average.

Fees charged in both Oxfordshire and the South East remained significantly higher than the average for England.

When supporting childcare settings, council officers encourage providers to consider the affordability of their provision and to ensure that the available financial help with childcare costs, including Working Tax Credit ⁴ support, is regularly promoted to parents. When considering grant funding for provision ³ the affordability of childcare is a consideration for the council.

The Working Tax Credit ⁴ support for childcare costs remained at up to 70% for a maximum cost of £175 per week for one child and £300 per week for two or more children. These levels were set nationally in 2005.

The council's website⁴ and Gov.UK ⁵ provides information on the financial support available to help meet the cost of childcare. Help with accessing entitlements is also available from a number of other sources, including Oxfordshire Family Information Service, Children's Centres, Citizens Advice and college welfare officers etc.

Some providers report that they find it challenging to achieve what is often a fine balance between generating sufficient fee income, whilst ensuring they can meet operating costs, particularly paying sufficient wages to attract and retain high quality staff, and ensuring financial sustainability.

Changes in the cost of childcare between 2015 and 2016			
	Oxfordshire ¹	South East ²	England ²
Day Nurseries	£5.93 (£5.54) +7%	Under 2 £5.51 (£5.33) +3.4% Over 2 £5.33 (£5.12) +4.1%	Under 2 £4.73 (£4.69) +0.9% Over 2 £4.52 (£4.47) +1.1%
Childminders	£4.32 (£4.18) +3.3%	Under 2 £4.70 (£4.56) +3% Over 2 £4.67 (£4.50) +3.8%	Under 2 £4.21 (£4.21) 0% Over 2 £4.18 (£4.17) +0.2%
After School Club	£3.71 (£3.62) +2.5%	£3.39 (£3.46) -2.1%	£3.26 (£3.19) +2.2%

¹ Oxfordshire Family Information Service as at 31 March 2015 and 2016

² Source: Family and Childcare Trust – Childcare Costs Surveys 2015 and 2016
<http://www.familyandchildcaretrust.org/childcare-costs-research>

³ Early Years and Childcare Grants programme www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/providergrants

⁴ www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/help-paying-childcare

⁵ www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs

Sufficiency gaps – where available provision is less likely to be meeting the needs of parents

Oxfordshire Family Information Service collects information on unmet childcare needs. In view of the size of the population very little feedback is received from parents. This level of feedback together with the spread and range of childcare across the County suggests that overall the Council is meeting its childcare sufficiency duty in most of the County and as far as is practicable.

From the Council's own analysis of sufficiency, from other information collected and local knowledge of officers, we are aware of the following areas where available provision is less likely to be meeting the needs of parents:-

- In a few cases parents have advised that they are unable to find childcare that matches their particular needs. An example is childminding places in some areas.
- The availability of places for funded 2 year old children in some areas of the County, particularly in the following school partnership areas :- Abingdon, Carterton and parts of Oxford, particularly Headington and the following local areas:- Grove, Chinnor, Stanton Harcourt, Standlake, and the Harwell ward. Development work is taking place to close these gaps and once these are completed then it is expected there will be sufficient capacity across Oxfordshire to enable all eligible children to access their place, where their parents wish to.
- Out of school childcare in rural areas. This is due to the challenges of creating sustainable provision where there is low demand. If the Council becomes aware of this then it seeks solutions. This may include local initiatives to encourage and support new childminders to start up.
- Parents seeking childcare outside traditional hours of 8am to 6pm, including those working in hospitals and in universities. Day nurseries, including those located on hospital and university sites report challenges in extending hours, including availability of staff and insufficient demand for extended provision to cover the additional running costs that would be incurred. In response the Council aims to create a mixed market, so that there is choice and flexibility for parents. Some childminders are able to offer more flexibility around opening hours. However recruitment and retention of childminders has become an increasing challenge, in light of declining numbers both nationally and in Oxfordshire. In Oxford it is possible that the competition they face from other types of provision is an additional factor.
- Provision for childcare for disabled children. When re-commissioning services for disabled children the Council consults with parents and ensures that the services reflect the needs of families, as far as possible.

Priorities for 2016 -17

- Support the creation of new or expanded provision where there is a clearly identified shortfall in early years or childcare places and it is possible to establish an on-going, financially self-sustaining provision to fill the gap.
- Secure additional places for funded 2 year old children in areas where significant supply gaps remain. This includes support to providers, who are currently unable to offer the full entitlement to funded 2 year old children, to overcome barriers they face.
- Respond to changing demand, including those resulting from population changes, housing developments and numbers of children eligible to funded early education at aged 2.
- Seek developer contributions towards creating additional capacity for the population increases that are expected to result from new housing.
- Work with schools and academies to seek their engagement and contribution towards ensuring that there is sufficient funded early education capacity and out of school childcare places available in their catchment areas. Early years places on school sites are reflected in the [Pupil Place Plan](#).
- Undertake a sufficiency assessment and support providers to build capacity in readiness for the introduction of the extended entitlement to 30 hours of free childcare, for 3 and 4 year old children, from September 2017.
- Re-commission services for disabled children for April 2017.
- Support access to childcare for parents/carers with disabled children who are working or who wish to work.
- Support providers to deliver high quality provision in accordance with the [Early Years Support Offer](#).
- Target funding, and support, so that providers offering a quality provision are prioritised.

Appendix 1:

Notes on sources and limitations of data and methodology

This report provides an overview of the supply of the places available, as at 30 September 2016, for childcare and summer term 2016, for funded early education provision.

Sources

Places available and fees charged

The place and fee data for Oxfordshire has been supplied by Oxfordshire Family Information Service (OxonFIS). OxonFIS hold the Family Information Directory¹, which includes all childcare and early years providers in Oxfordshire registered with Ofsted and information from other provision that is not registerable with Ofsted, including school managed childcare, where this has been obtained.

Ofsted registration does not specify a number of children and therefore OxonFIS is reliant upon providers to supply details of the number of places that they offer. OxonFIS is also reliant upon providers providing information about their setting where it is not registerable with Ofsted and therefore this report may not include a full picture of this provision.

OxonFIS encourage providers to keep their records up to date. Where information has not been updated for 180 days providers are prompted to provide an update.

Population data is the projected population for 2016, which is an update produced in May 2015, obtained from housing led population forecasts available on the Oxford Insight website.²

Comparative fee data is obtained from the Family and Childcare Trust Childcare Costs Survey 2016.³

Funded 2 year old children

- Places needed are taken from data of eligible children provided by the DfE and our sufficiency assessment matches them to places available in the school partnership area where the child lives.
- The data does not reflect children living in one area but accessing their entitlement in another.

Funded 3 and 4 year old children

- The age eligibility criteria for the early education entitlement means that the lowest demand for places occurs each autumn term and the highest in the summer term. In order to ensure all year round availability of places the summer term's data is used when assessing sufficiency of places.
- Places needed are based upon population estimates and assumptions made for children eligible for nursery education funding that are of nursery class age (children that are aged 3, and eligible for NEF, plus those that were 3 at the beginning of the 2015/16 academic year but had turned 4 by the 31 August 2016).
- Estimated population data for the area are matched against places available in school nursery classes and places actually taken up in the private, voluntary and independent sector in the same area. They do not reflect children living in one area but accessing their entitlement in another
- The data does not reflect any spare capacity in the PVI sector or where school/academy nursery classes have admitted in excess of their published number. The sufficiency calculated is therefore the minimum available.

Extended Early Education/Childcare for children aged 3 and 4

- The population estimates, along with some economic data have been used to arrive at an initial estimate of eligible families. The assumptions made for Oxfordshire are similar to those used by the DfE to arrive at a national estimate of eligible children.

Methodology

Data is presented for the County as a whole and is split into smaller geographical areas using school partnership areas. A school partnership group consists of one or more secondary schools and the primary schools that feed into them. There are various ways that County data could be analysed but

this has been found to most likely to reflect parent's views on whether or not their early education and childcare needs are being met in their locality.

It should be noted that the size of each school partnership and the number of children living in each school partnership area vary significantly and no meaningful analysis can be made when comparing one to another, apart from children per available place.

Population data is available at ward level but school partnership areas do not always exactly match wards. Therefore best fit assumptions have to be made to estimate the number of children in school partnership areas.

When compiling the report, the intention has been to avoid double counting in two or more age groups, by allocating provider types to one age group or the other. However where out of school places are provided by pre-schools or day-nurseries, alongside their early years provision, this approach potentially underestimates the availability of out of school places.

When a box contains zero, this means that there are no providers falling into that particular category.

Childminders

Details of the 584 childminders include updates from the survey carried out by OxonFIS in spring 2016.

Included in the total number of Ofsted registered childminders are 45 whose details are not publicised in the Family Information Directory. This is mostly at the childminders own request, for a variety of reasons e.g. not currently childminding or caring only for children of friends or family. These childminders tend not to keep their details with the Council up-to-date.

In addition there were 214 home childcarers, who are employees of families. Most do not provide Oxon FIS with their confidential details.

Few childminders specify the places they offer by ages, as they tend to be flexible, to meet families' needs, whilst operating within the welfare standards requirements of the statutory framework for the Early Years Foundations Stage ⁴. It has been assumed, based upon past analysis, that those childminders, who offer places for children aged birth to 11 years, provide 58% of their available places in the birth to 4 age range and the remaining 42% in the 5 to 11 age range.

Day nurseries

Daycare information includes updates from an OxonFIS survey carried out in November and December 2015.

Out-of-school care

Data for out-of-school care includes updates from an OxonFIS survey carried out in 2016, with additional information included as it becomes available.

Provision for children aged 12 and over

This report contains information on the number and types of providers and average fees. It does not include a consideration of places because:

- the number of providers is small
- available places can depend upon the number of children under 12 who also attend that provider
- there is no requirement to register provision for children and young people aged over 8 years, which means there is less information available.

Activities and supervision for this age group are not usually described as childcare. Registered out-of-school clubs and play schemes are less likely to provide activities that are appropriate for children of secondary-school age. Instead parents of 11-14 year olds often use de facto childcare, such as arts, sports and leisure activities as forms of childcare for older children. Where details of these are obtained they are included in Family Information Directory¹,

- providers often take a flexible approach to offering places and consequently the number of places made available at any time can respond to and reflect actual demand

Relative to younger age groups the number of providers is small, so variations between school partnership areas are consequently exaggerated. Over half the providers, who advise that they have places available for children and young people aged 12 and over, are childminders. When canvassed, over 70% of childminders who indicated a willingness to accept children over 11 years stated that they have never been asked to take a child aged 12 years or more.

Cost data

Hourly rates have been calculated, using the assumptions noted below, in order to provide meaningful comparisons.

Analysis of cost data only includes data from providers who have supplied information on their fees to OxonFIS and therefore may not be representative of all providers. The information provides a picture of the fees charged by Oxfordshire's early years and childcare settings.

Where there are no settings in a school partnership area, the fees are reported as "£0.00" and where there are settings but we have no cost information, these are reported as **N/A**.

Childminders

Where childminders provide an amount, they nearly always state an amount per hour. Hourly rates given are an average from those providing a figure.

Day Nurseries

Normally provide daily costs so these were divided by 10, being the typical daily opening hours, to calculate average costs per hour.

Pre-School Playgroups

Normally provide costs per session, which vary in length. An average session of 3.75 hours has been used to calculate average hourly costs.

Private Nursery Schools

Only 8 out of 21 private nursery schools have provided OxonFIS with fee information and where they do it is a mixture of daily and sessional costs. The hourly fees have therefore been calculated for each setting, using the actual hours open. The information available may have limited value.

Out-of-School settings

a) Breakfast Clubs

These run for varying times, but generally around 1 hour. It was assumed that all costs provided were for 1 hour. Some breakfast clubs are free of charge and some just charge a nominal amount. Where it was clear that a self-sustaining fee was not being charged, this was not included in the average fee calculation.

b) After School Clubs

Most settings provide a fee rate per session and most run for between 2½ and 3 hours. It has been assumed that these clubs run for an average of 2¾ hours. Hourly rates were used where provided.

c) Holiday Play Schemes

Most settings provide a fee rate per day and it has been assumed that these clubs run for an average of 8 hours. Hourly rates were used where provided.

d) Provision for children age 12 years and over

In many cases, out-of-school provision makes no charge or a very limited charge. Limited information is available and it is felt that it is not possible to draw any meaningful conclusions about cost of provision for children and young people aged 12 and over.

¹ www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/familyinformation

² <http://insight.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/population-0>.

³ <http://www.familyandchildcaretrust.org/childcare-survey-2016>

⁴ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2>

Section 1: Supply of childcare, birth to 4 year olds

Table 1.1:

The number of providers by school partnership area and type of provider for children aged birth to 4

This shows the number and type of provider available in each school partnership area

School partnership	Area	Day nursery	Pre-school / Playgroup	Private nursery school	Childminder	School Early Education Providers	Overall Total
Banbury	North	12	7	1	58	9	87
Bicester	North	7	11	1	63	10	92
Burford	North	3	8	1	8	3	23
Carterton	North	2	3	0	29	4	38
Chipping Norton	North	5	8	0	19	2	34
Eynsham	North	4	5	0	12	4	25
Kidlington	North	2	4	1	18	4	29
Warriner	North	3	5	2	13	2	25
Witney	North	5	7	2	29	5	48
Woodstock	North	1	7	0	15	2	25
North		44	65	8	264	45	426
Cherwell	Central	17	5	3	24	7	56
Cumnor	Central	4	4	0	12	6	26
Headington	Central	5	4	0	15	3	27
Isis	Central	7	0	1	10	3	21
Oxford South East	Central	10	2	0	28	6	46
Wheatley	Central	6	4	0	7	1	18
Central		49	19	4	96	26	194
Abingdon	South	10	14	0	61	10	95
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	5	2	1	2	0	10
Didcot	South	6	9	0	45	8	68
Faringdon	South	5	7	1	14	3	30
Henley	South	5	4	1	8	1	19
Thame	South	1	5	2	37	3	48
Wallingford	South	4	6	1	20	2	33
Wantage	South	3	9	0	21	3	36
Watlington	South	4	4	0	12	2	22
Woodcote	South	0	6	3	4	0	13
South		43	66	9	224	32	374
Oxfordshire Total		136	150	21	584	103	994

Table 1.2:**The number of places by school partnership area and type of provider for children aged birth to 4**

This shows the number of places available in each school partnership area

School partnership	Area	Day nursery	Pre-school / Playgroup	Private Nursery School	Childminder	School Early Education providers	Overall Total
Banbury	North	805	174	26	151	442	1598
Bicester	North	471	310	30	225	455	1491
Burford	North	148	185	28	23	143	527
Carterton	North	168	120	0	63	228	579
Chipping Norton	North	199	186	0	49	138	572
Eynsham	North	223	107	0	30	108	468
Kidlington	North	127	112	24	48	150	461
Warriner	North	93	137	38	36	80	384
Witney	North	384	217	100	73	139	913
Woodstock	North	55	155	0	43	82	335
North		2673	1703	246	741	1965	7328
Cherwell	Central	871	144	106	67	343	1531
Cumnor	Central	298	86	0	32	416	832
Headington	Central	264	144	0	34	184	626
Isis	Central	366	0	40	25	244	675
Oxford South East	Central	461	46	0	68	350	925
Wheatley	Central	214	120	0	17	80	431
Central		2474	540	146	245	1617	5022
Abingdon	South	461	341	0	152	423	1377
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	214	44	38	5	0	301
Didcot	South	451	266	0	121	448	1286
Faringdon	South	446	170	26	33	89	764
Henley	South	272	120	55	26	52	525
Thame	South	39	126	40	90	119	414
Wallingford	South	325	187	31	40	47	630
Wantage	South	237	243	0	55	127	662
Watlington	South	209	81	0	35	67	392
Woodcote	South	0	144	70	9	0	223
South		2654	1722	260	566	1372	6574
Oxfordshire Total		7801	3965	652	1551	4954	18923

Table 1.3:

The percentage of places by type of provider and school partnership area for children aged birth to 4

This shows the mix of providers and gives an indication of the availability of choice for parents

School partnership	Area	Day Nursery	Pre-school / Playgroups	Private Nursery School	Childminder	School Early Education Providers
Banbury	North	50%	11%	2%	9%	28%
Bicester	North	32%	21%	2%	15%	31%
Burford	North	28%	35%	5%	4%	27%
Carterton	North	29%	21%	0%	11%	39%
Chipping Norton	North	35%	33%	0%	9%	24%
Eynsham	North	48%	23%	0%	6%	23%
Kidlington	North	28%	24%	5%	10%	33%
Warriner	North	24%	36%	10%	9%	21%
Witney	North	42%	24%	11%	8%	15%
Woodstock	North	16%	46%	0%	13%	24%
North		33%	27%	4%	10%	26%
Cherwell	Central	57%	9%	7%	4%	22%
Cumnor	Central	36%	10%	0%	4%	50%
Headington	Central	42%	23%	0%	5%	29%
Isis	Central	54%	0%	6%	4%	36%
Oxford South East	Central	50%	5%	0%	7%	38%
Wheatley	Central	50%	28%	0%	4%	19%
Central		48%	13%	2%	5%	32%
Abingdon	South	33%	25%	0%	11%	31%
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	71%	15%	13%	2%	0%
Didcot	South	35%	21%	0%	9%	35%
Faringdon	South	58%	22%	3%	4%	12%
Henley	South	52%	23%	10%	5%	10%
Thame	South	9%	30%	10%	22%	29%
Wallingford	South	52%	30%	5%	6%	7%
Wantage	South	36%	37%	0%	8%	19%
Watlington	South	53%	21%	0%	9%	17%
Woodcote	South	0%	64%	31%	4%	0%
South		40%	29%	7%	8%	16%
Oxfordshire total		40%	23%	4%	7%	25%

Note: rounding of figures may mean that some rows do not add up to 100%

The number of children per place by type of provider and school partnership area for children aged birth to 4

School partnership	Area	Number of children	Day Nursery Places	Day Nursery Children Per Place	Pre-school / Playgroup Places	Pre-School Playgroup Children Per Place	Private Nursery School Places	Private Nursery School Children Per Place	Childminder Places	Childminder Children per place	School Early Education Places	School Early Education Children Per Place	Total Number of Places	Children per place
Banbury	North	3924	805	4.9	174	22.6	26	150.9	151	26.0	442	8.88	1598	2.5
Bicester	North	3400	471	7.2	310	11.0	30	0.0	225	15.1	455	7.47	1491	2.3
Burford	North	672	148	4.5	185	3.6	28	24.0	23	29.0	143	4.70	527	1.3
Cartton	North	1329	168	7.9	120	11.1	0	0.0	63	21.2	228	5.83	579	2.3
Chipping Norton	North	1242	199	6.2	186	6.7	0	0.0	49	25.2	138	9.00	572	2.2
Eynsham	North	628	223	2.8	107	5.9	0	0.0	30	21.2	108	5.81	468	1.3
Kidlington	North	1132	127	8.9	112	10.1	24	47.2	48	23.5	150	7.55	461	2.5
Warriner	North	451	93	4.8	137	3.3	38	11.9	36	12.5	80	5.64	384	1.2
Witney	North	2517	384	6.6	217	11.6	100	25.2	73	34.4	139	18.11	913	2.8
Woodstock	North	479	55	0.0	155	3.1	0	0.0	43	11.2	82	5.84	335	1.4
	North	15774	2673	5.9	1703	9.3	246	64.1	741	21.3	1965	8.03	7328	2.2
Cherwell	Central	2886	871	3.3	144	20.0	106	27.2	67	42.9	343	8.41	1531	1.9
Cumnor	Central	1953	298	6.6	86	22.7	0	0.0	32	60.1	416	4.69	832	2.3
Headington	Central	878	264	3.3	144	0.0	0	0.0	34	25.7	184	4.77	626	1.4
Islis	Central	2198	366	6.0	0	0.0	40	0.0	25	88.1	244	9.01	675	3.3
Oxford South East	Central	2245	461	4.9	46	48.8	0	0.0	68	32.8	350	6.41	925	2.4
Wheatley	Central	656	214	3.1	120	5.5	0	0.0	17	37.7	80	8.20	431	1.5
	Central	10816	2474	4.4	540	20.0	146	74.1	245	44.2	1617	6.69	5022	2.2
Abingdon	South	3882	461	8.4	341	11.4	0	0.0	152	25.5	423	9.18	1377	2.8
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	442	214	2.1	44	10.0	38	11.6	5	84.7	0	0.00	301	1.5
Didcot	South	2938	451	6.5	266	11.0	0	0.0	121	24.2	448	6.56	1286	2.3
Faringdon	South	1412	446	3.2	170	8.3	26	54.3	33	42.7	89	15.87	764	1.8
Henley	South	677	272	2.5	120	5.6	55	0.0	26	26.5	52	13.02	525	1.3
Thame	South	1151	39	29.5	126	9.1	40	28.8	90	12.8	119	9.67	414	2.8
Wallingford	South	1259	325	3.9	187	6.7	31	40.6	40	31.5	47	26.79	630	2.0
Wantage	South	1602	237	6.8	243	6.6	0	0.0	55	29.4	127	12.61	662	2.4
Watlington	South	406	209	1.9	81	5.0	0	0.0	35	11.7	67	6.06	392	1.0
Woodcote	South	570	0	0.0	144	4.0	70	8.1	9	61.4	0	0.00	223	2.6
	South	14339	2654	5.4	1722	8.3	260	55.2	566	25.4	1372	10.45	6574	2.2
Oxfordshire Totals		40929	7801	5.2	3965	10.3	652	62.8	1551	26.4	4954	8.26	18923	2.2

Table 1.5:**The average hourly rates for different types of provider by school partnership area**

This provides information on childcare fees, with comparisons between different types of providers and areas

School partnership	Area	Day Nursery	Childminder	Ppre-school / Playgroup	Private Nursery School
Banbury	North	£5.43	£4.05	£4.10	£3.00
Bicester	North	£5.86	£4.14	£4.13	N/A
Burford	North	£4.40	£4.56	£3.95	N/A
Carterton	North	£4.97	£4.35	£2.67	£0.00
Chipping Norton	North	£4.54	£4.30	£4.58	£0.00
Eynsham	North	£5.50	£3.93	£4.28	£0.00
Kidlington	North	N/A	£4.57	£3.08	£5.00
Warriner	North	£4.00	£3.86	£4.30	£3.71
Witney	North	£5.58	£4.26	£3.98	£4.85
Woodstock	North	N/A	£4.29	£4.08	£0.00
North		£5.22	£4.20	£4.03	£4.19
Cherwell	Central	£6.22	£5.38	£4.48	N/A
Cumnor	Central	£6.35	£4.60	£3.50	£0.00
Headington	Central	£5.90	£5.25	£4.36	£0.00
Isis	Central	£6.16	£4.56	£0.00	N/A
Oxford South East	Central	£5.93	£4.69	£4.48	£0.00
Wheatley	Central	£6.50	£4.55	£3.74	£0.00
Central		£6.16	£4.92	£4.09	£0.00
Abingdon	South	£6.78	£4.34	£3.76	£0.00
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	£6.68	£4.00	£4.48	N/A
Didcot	South	£5.20	£4.10	£3.96	£0.00
Faringdon	South	£5.11	£4.23	£4.47	N/A
Henley	South	£5.94	£4.92	£5.16	N/A
Thame	South	£5.43	£4.40	£3.08	£2.75
Wallingford	South	£5.23	£4.69	£4.20	£4.25
Wantage	South	N/A	£4.52	£4.66	£0.00
Watlington	South	£6.54	£4.44	£4.07	£0.00
Woodcote	South	£0.00	£5.25	£4.52	N/A
South		£6.00	£4.38	£4.17	£3.50
Oxfordshire Average		£5.82	£4.39	£4.10	£3.87

Section 2:

Delivery of the free early education entitlement

Table 2.1:

The availability of places to deliver the universal early education entitlement to all 3 & 4 year old children and a targeted entitlement to some 2 year old children

2 year old children - Summer 2016 Term							3 and 4 year old children Summer 2016 Term		
Available places (Places taken up plus spare capacity, if advised)	Eligible children (DfE data)	Minimum Sufficiency	Additional places currently being developed	Potential Places available	Potential Minimum Sufficiency	School Partnership	Available Places (School admission number or 2016 maximum recorded in-take)	Eligible children (population estimates)	Minimum Sufficiency
66	91	73%	0	66	73%	Cherwell	975	751	130%
30	34	88%	0	30	88%	Cumnor	485	341	142%
70	118	59%	0	70	59%	Headington	596	599	99%
91	104	88%	16	107	103%	Isis	641	712	90%
126	183	69%	16	142	78%	Oxford South East	601	692	87%
28	42	67%	0	28	67%	Wheatley	274	329	83%
411	572	72%	32	443	77%	Central Totals	3572	3424	104%
221	217	102%	24	245	113%	Banbury	1247	1196	104%
76	97	78%	0	76	78%	Bicester	1071	1188	90%
27	24	113%	0	27	113%	Burford	355	274	130%
22	44	50%	0	22	50%	Carterton	397	418	95%
46	42	110%	0	46	110%	Chipping Norton	456	408	112%
30	20	150%	0	30	150%	Eynsham	291	179	163%
31	34	91%	0	31	91%	Kidlington	318	289	110%
26	21	124%	0	26	124%	Warriner	329	273	121%
85	76	112%	0	85	112%	Witney	719	832	86%
34	11	309%	12	46	418%	Woodstock	257	208	124%
598	586	102%	36	634	108%	North Totals	5440	5265	103%
81	123	66%	0	81	66%	Abingdon	1123	1178	95%
15	7	214%	0	15	214%	Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	170	84	202%
92	114	81%	0	92	81%	Didcot	1032	822	126%
35	48	73%	0	35	73%	Faringdon	537	438	123%
19	18	106%	0	19	106%	Henley	288	280	103%
25	29	86%	0	25	86%	Thame	342	331	103%
51	34	150%	0	51	150%	Wallingford	460	330	139%
48	56	86%	0	48	86%	Wantage	527	555	95%
19	23	83%	0	19	83%	Watlington	243	258	94%
16	10	160%	0	16	160%	Woodcote	283	223	127%
401	462	87%	0	401	87%	South Totals	5005	4499	111%
1410	1620	87%	68	1478	91%	Overall Total	14017	13188	106%

Note- the data for 3 and 4 year old children is not directly comparable with the information published in the 2015 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment report¹, as children of reception school age no longer included.

¹ <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/childcare-sufficiency-market-assessment>

Table 2.2:

The take up of places by 2 year old children eligible for free early education in 2015/16.

School Partnership Area	Autumn 15			Spring 16			Summer 16			Average Take Up in 2015/16	Sufficiency of current Places Summer 16
	Number of eligible families living in partnership area	Number of families taking up the funding	% take up	Number of eligible families living in partnership area	Number of families taking up the funding	% take up	Number of eligible families living in partnership area	Number of families taking up the funding	% take up		
Abingdon	129	79	61%	123	82	67%	123	77	63%	63%	66%
Banbury	227	192	85%	207	187	90%	217	179	82%	86%	102%
Bicester	96	81	84%	101	68	67%	97	68	70%	74%	78%
Burford	23	18	78%	21	18	86%	24	18	75%	79%	113%
Carterton	32	21	66%	35	23	66%	44	27	61%	64%	50%
Cherwell	97	61	63%	84	69	82%	91	68	75%	73%	73%
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	9	9	100%	7	7	100%	7	10	143%	113%	214%
Chipping Norton	52	41	79%	38	34	89%	42	27	64%	77%	110%
Cumnor	37	36	97%	37	32	86%	34	31	91%	92%	88%
Didcot	124	72	58%	122	82	67%	114	89	78%	68%	81%
Eynsham	21	13	62%	18	19	106%	20	15	75%	80%	150%
Faringdon	55	51	93%	51	39	76%	48	32	67%	79%	73%
Headington	118	82	69%	107	67	63%	118	62	53%	62%	59%
Henley	18	20	111%	21	20	95%	18	15	83%	96%	106%
Isis	124	69	56%	117	69	59%	104	68	65%	60%	88%
Kidlington	45	35	78%	43	36	84%	34	26	76%	80%	91%
Oxford South East	213	155	73%	194	151	78%	183	122	67%	73%	69%
Thame	24	13	54%	27	19	70%	29	20	69%	65%	86%
Wallingford	32	29	91%	31	29	94%	34	28	82%	89%	150%
Wantage	61	36	59%	60	33	55%	56	33	59%	58%	86%
Warriner	30	23	77%	16	19	119%	21	22	105%	96%	124%
Watlington	11	14	127%	24	16	67%	23	18	78%	83%	83%
Wheatley	47	22	47%	42	22	52%	42	20	48%	49%	67%
Witney	91	84	92%	84	77	92%	76	60	79%	88%	112%
Woodcote	15	15	100%	10	11	110%	10	7	70%	94%	160%
Woodstock	26	16	62%	17	12	71%	11	8	73%	67%	309%
Out of Area/Unknown	0	12	0%	0	11	0%	0	9	0%		
Total	1757	1299	74%	1637	1252	76%	1620	1159	72%	74%	87%

Section 3: Supply of childcare, 5 -11 year olds

Table 3.1:

The number of providers by school partnership area and type of provider for children aged 5 to 11

School Partnership	Area	Childminder	Breakfast clubs	After-schools Clubs	Holiday Playschemes	Day nursery	Pre-school / Playgroup	Private nursery school	Overall Total
Banbury	North	58	13	13	9	12	7	1	113
Bicester	North	63	13	12	9	7	11	1	116
Burford	North	8	7	6	5	3	8	1	38
Carterton	North	29	4	5	2	2	3	0	45
Chipping Norton	North	19	6	5	8	5	8	0	51
Eynsham	North	12	4	3	2	4	5	0	30
Kidlington	North	18	4	5	4	2	4	1	38
Warriner	North	13	6	6	6	3	5	2	41
Witney	North	29	10	11	6	5	7	2	70
Woodstock	North	15	4	3	4	1	7	0	34
North		264	71	69	55	44	65	8	576
Cherwell	Central	24	8	15	14	17	5	3	86
Cumnor	Central	12	6	5	7	4	4	0	38
Headington	Central	15	5	7	3	5	4	0	39
Isis	Central	10	4	3	5	7	0	1	30
Oxford South East	Central	28	5	10	6	10	2	0	61
Wheatley	Central	7	6	7	4	6	4	0	34
Central		96	34	47	39	49	19	4	288
Abingdon	South	61	17	19	16	10	14	0	137
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	2	1	3	6	5	2	1	20
Didcot	South	45	11	12	7	6	9	0	90
Faringdon	South	14	8	8	10	5	7	1	53
Henley	South	8	4	4	7	5	4	1	33
Thame	South	37	4	4	5	1	5	2	58
Wallingford	South	20	6	9	9	4	6	1	55
Wantage	South	21	9	10	4	3	9	0	56
Watlington	South	12	3	4	2	4	4	0	29
Woodcote	South	4	4	4	3	0	6	3	24
South		224	67	77	69	43	66	9	555
Oxfordshire grand total		584	172	193	163	136	150	21	1419

Table 3.2:**The number of places by school partnership area and type of provider for children aged 5 to 11**

This shows the number of places available in each school partnership area

School Partnership	Area	No of primary schools in partnership	Number of children aged 5 to 11	Childminder	Breakfast Clubs	After-school Clubs	Holiday Playschemes	Places Total
Banbury	North	16	5348	109	362	284	215	970
Bicester	North	17	5110	163	253	187	136	739
Burford	North	8	1016	17	111	106	256	490
Carterton	North	5	1449	45	101	90	66	302
Chipping Norton	North	10	2119	36	73	50	163	322
Eynsham	North	6	1099	21	61	69	64	215
Kidlington	North	5	1496	35	110	131	110	386
Warriner	North	9	934	26	130	171	116	443
Witney	North	13	3402	53	246	186	101	586
Woodstock	North	10	651	31	74	44	98	247
North		99	22624	536	1521	1318	1325	4700
Cherwell	Central	11	4280	49	229	382	318	978
Cumnor	Central	6	2547	24	287	100	78	489
Headington	Central	6	1248	25	104	196	57	382
Isis	Central	4	2792	18	80	94	169	361
Oxford South East	Central	9	2575	50	95	212	150	507
Wheatley	Central	8	1020	13	114	232	80	439
Central		44	14462	177	909	1216	852	3154
Abingdon	South	22	5698	110	298	457	785	1650
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	3	891	4	24	54	173	255
Didcot	South	13	3869	88	240	314	168	810
Faringdon	South	9	1837	24	199	209	148	580
Henley	South	5	1050	18	110	113	372	613
Thame	South	7	1722	65	70	98	174	407
Wallingford	South	7	1628	29	102	152	194	477
Wantage	South	12	2309	39	83	142	41	305
Watlington	South	6	741	25	60	71	55	211
Woodcote	South	7	1213	7	54	64	110	235
South		91	20958	410	1240	1674	2220	5544
Oxfordshire Total		234	58044	1123	3670	4208	4397	13398

Table 3.3:

The number of children per place by type of provider and school partnership area for children aged 5 to 11

This shows the mix of provision available. It shows the availability of choice for parents and gives an indication of possible sufficiency gaps.

School Partnership	Area	No of primary schools in partnership	Number of children aged 5 to 11	No of places Childminder	Children per place Childminder	No of places Breakfast club	Children per place Breakfast Club	No of places After-school care	Children per place After School Club	No of places Holiday scheme	Children per place Holiday Scheme	Total places	Children per place
Banbury	North	16	5348	109	49.0	362	14.8	284	18.8	215	24.9	970	5.5
Bicester	North	17	5110	163	31.4	253	20.2	187	27.3	136	37.6	739	6.9
Burford	North	8	1016	17	60.5	111	9.2	106	9.6	256	4.0	490	2.1
Carterton	North	5	1449	45	31.9	101	14.3	90	16.1	66	22.0	302	4.8
Chipping Norton	North	10	2119	36	59.4	73	29.0	50	42.4	163	13.0	322	6.6
Eynsham	North	6	1099	21	51.3	61	18.0	69	15.9	64	17.2	215	5.1
Kidlington	North	5	1496	35	42.9	110	13.6	131	11.4	110	13.6	386	3.9
Warriner	North	9	934	26	35.9	130	7.2	171	5.5	116	8.1	443	2.1
Witney	North	13	3402	53	64.3	246	13.8	186	18.3	101	33.7	586	5.8
Woodstock	North	10	651	31	20.9	74	8.8	44	14.8	98	6.6	247	2.6
North		99	22624	536	42.2	1521	14.9	1318	18.0	1325	17.1	4700	4.8
Cherwell	Central	11	4280	49	87.8	229	18.7	382	11.2	318	13.5	978	4.4
Cumnor	Central	6	2547	24	108.3	287	8.9	100	25.5	78	32.7	489	5.2
Headington	Central	6	1248	25	50.4	104	12.0	196	6.4	57	21.9	382	3.3
Isis	Central	4	2792	18	154.6	80	34.9	94	29.7	169	16.5	361	7.7
Oxford South East	Central	9	2575	50	52.0	95	27.1	212	12.1	150	17.2	507	5.1
Wheatley	Central	8	1020	13	81.0	114	8.9	232	4.4	80	12.8	439	2.3
Central		44	14462	177	81.6	909	18.4	1216	14.9	852	17.0	3154	4.6
Abingdon	South	22	5698	110	51.8	298	19.1	457	12.5	785	7.3	1650	3.5
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Comrn	South	3	891	4	235.7	24	37.1	54	16.5	173	5.2	255	3.5
Didcot	South	13	3869	88	44.1	240	16.1	314	12.3	168	23.0	810	4.8
Faringdon	South	9	1837	24	76.7	199	9.2	209	8.8	148	12.4	580	3.2
Henley	South	5	1050	18	56.8	110	9.5	113	9.3	372	2.8	613	1.7
Thame	South	7	1722	65	26.5	70	24.6	98	17.6	174	9.9	407	4.2
Wallingford	South	7	1628	29	56.2	102	16.0	152	10.7	194	8.4	477	3.4
Wantage	South	12	2309	39	58.5	83	27.8	142	16.3	41	56.3	305	7.6
Watlington	South	6	741	25	29.4	60	12.4	71	10.4	55	13.5	211	3.5
Woodcote	South	7	1213	7	180.5	54	22.5	64	19.0	110	11.0	235	5.2
South		91	20958	410	51.2	1240	19.4	1674	13.3	2220	9.4	5544	3.8
Oxfordshire grand total		234	58044	1123	58.3	3670	17.6	4208	15.4	4397	13.2	13398	4.3

Table 3.4:**The average hourly rates for different types of provider by school partnership area**

This provides information on childcare fees, with comparisons between different types of provider and areas

School Partnership	Area	Childminders	Breakfast clubs	After-school Clubs	Holiday schemes
Banbury	North	£4.05	£2.97	£3.21	£3.92
Bicester	North	£4.14	£3.69	£3.50	£3.05
Burford	North	£4.56	£3.88	£3.05	£4.53
Carterton	North	£4.35	£3.00	£2.18	£1.93
Chipping Norton	North	£4.30	£4.13	£4.34	£3.90
Eynsham	North	£3.93	£4.50	£4.55	N/A
Kidlington	North	£4.57	£4.13	£3.36	£3.68
Warriner	North	£3.86	£2.58	£4.80	£3.75
Witney	North	£4.26	£3.67	£3.78	£4.43
Woodstock	North	£4.29	£4.33	£4.79	£3.44
North		£4.20	£3.59	£3.62	£3.74
Cherwell	Central	£5.38	£4.08	£4.05	£3.66
Cumnor	Central	£4.60	£0.47	£0.51	£0.96
Headington	Central	£5.25	£4.50	£4.32	£3.69
Isis	Central	£4.56	£4.00	£3.52	£3.31
Oxford South East	Central	£4.69	£4.23	£3.89	£4.44
Wheatley	Central	£4.55	£4.11	£3.78	£3.60
Central		£4.92	£3.52	£3.61	£3.25
Abingdon	South	£4.34	£4.31	£4.37	£4.68
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	£4.00	N/A	£4.18	£2.50
Didcot	South	£4.10	£4.83	£3.90	£2.99
Faringdon	South	£4.23	£3.96	£3.82	£3.74
Henley	South	£4.92	£7.75	£5.27	£3.05
Thame	South	£4.40	£2.13	£3.09	£3.19
Wallingford	South	£4.69	£4.20	£3.83	£3.68
Wantage	South	£4.52	£3.83	£3.16	£3.88
Watlington	South	£4.44	£5.35	£4.30	N/A
Woodcote	South	£5.25	£4.90	£3.18	£4.30
South		£4.38	£4.44	£3.93	£3.69
Oxfordshire Total		£4.39	£3.90	£3.74	£3.60

Section 4: Supply of childcare, 12 years and over

Table 4.1:

The number of providers by school partnership area and type of provider for children and young people age 12 and over

School Partnership	Area	Childminder	Breakfast clubs	After-schools clubs	Holiday schemes	Providers Total
Banbury	North	22	5	6	4	37
Bicester	North	36	3	4	4	47
Burford	North	4	1	0	2	7
Carterton	North	14	2	2	1	19
Chipping Norton	North	3	2	3	3	11
Eynsham	North	8	1	2	1	12
Kidlington	North	5	0	1	3	9
Warriner	North	8	2	3	1	
Witney	North	11	5	6	3	25
Woodstock	North	7	1	1	2	11
North		118	22	28	24	192
Cherwell	Central	5	2	3	7	17
Cumnor	Central	4	2	5	5	16
Headington	Central	3	0	0	0	3
Isis	Central	5	0	0	4	9
Oxford South East	Central	6	1	3	2	12
Wheatley	Central	1	3	3	3	10
Central		24	8	14	21	67
Abingdon	South	18	8	5	8	39
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	1	0	0	3	4
Didcot	South	21	1	2	2	26
Faringdon	South	8	1	1	3	13
Henley	South	4	0	1	4	9
Thame	South	12	1	0	4	17
Wallingford	South	4	2	3	5	14
Wantage	South	9	4	2	3	18
Watlington	South	7	1	1	0	9
Woodcote	South	1	0	1	0	2
South		85	18	16	32	151
Oxfordshire Total		227	48	58	77	410

This table excludes sports, leisure and arts activities, open access adventure playgrounds, sports camps and holiday activities etc. run by community, sport and cultural organisations that often function as de facto childcare, especially for older children. Where details are advised or obtained then the information is included in the [Family Information Directory](http://fisd.oxfordshire.gov.uk/kb5/oxfordshire/directory/home.page) - <http://fisd.oxfordshire.gov.uk/kb5/oxfordshire/directory/home.page>

Table 4.2:**The average hourly rates for different types of provider by school partnership area**

This provides information on childcare fees, with comparisons between different types of provider and areas

School Partnership	Area	Childminder	Breakfast Clubs	After-school Clubs	Holiday Playschemes
Banbury	North	£4.04	£3.25	£3.33	£5.10
Bicester	North	£4.17	N/A	N/A	N/A
Burford	North	£4.75	£0.50	£0.00	£5.39
Carterton	North	£4.40	£3.00	£2.18	£1.93
Chipping Norton	North	£4.50	£4.00	£4.20	£4.63
Eynsham	North	£3.95	£5.00	£4.55	N/A
Kidlington	North	£4.75	£0.00	£3.27	£2.90
Warriner	North	£3.68	£3.00	N/A	N/A
Witney	North	£4.34	£3.88	£4.05	£2.75
Woodstock	North	£4.55	N/A	£4.55	N/A
North		£4.31	£5.66	£5.23	£3.78
Cherwell	Central	£5.63	£4.00	N/A	£4.76
Cumnor	Central	£4.53	N/A	£0.51	£0.94
Headington	Central	£6.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Isis	Central	£4.25	£0.00	£0.00	£2.75
Oxford South East	Central	£4.50	£2.70	N/A	£4.76
Wheatley	Central	£3.75	£4.16	£3.08	£3.78
Central		£4.82	£5.43	£1.20	£3.40
Abingdon	South	£4.32	£6.58	£6.61	£4.19
Chiltern Edge/Sonning Common	South	£3.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2.50
Didcot	South	£4.19	N/A	£4.20	£2.25
Faringdon	South	£4.08	£4.00	£2.55	£2.63
Henley	South	£4.88	£0.00	£1.82	£2.96
Thame	South	£4.33	N/A	£0.00	£3.63
Wallingford	South	£6.00	£5.00	£5.00	£4.00
Wantage	South	£4.50	£3.50	£3.64	£3.88
Watlington	South	£4.33	N/A	N/A	£0.00
Woodcote	South	£5.00	£0.00	N/A	£0.00
South		£4.46	£9.54	£5.96	£4.34
Oxfordshire Total		£4.53	£6.88	£4.13	£3.84