



## RESEARCH AND STATISTICS SERVICE

### Data Collection and Publication Timetable

### 2025-26

#### Data Collection Timetable

The Research and Statistics Service leads the Local Authority's work in statutory data collections. The timetable for forthcoming data collections is summarised below:

Data Return	Purpose of Data	Collection Date	Deadline	Term
School Census Autumn	Monitor roll, ethnicity, free school meals, attendance, Post-16 information and budget allocations	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Autumn 2025
Early years autumn census	Funding file, monitoring take up.. resolution of duplicates	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Autumn 2025
School Workforce Census	Monitor teaching and non-teaching staff profile in schools; resourcing	6 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Autumn 2025
School Census Spring	Monitor roll, ethnicity, free school meals and attendance	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Spring 2026
English Proficiency Survey	Monitoring Purposes	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	27 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Spring 2026
PVI Early Years January Census	EY funding of schools and PVIs. Monitoring uptake	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Spring 2026
School Census Summer	To monitor roll, ethnicity, free school meals, attendance and budget allocations	21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Summer 2026
PVI Early Years Summer Census	EY funding of schools and PVIs. Monitoring uptake	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Spring 2026
Foundation Stage	To monitor performance	16 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Summer 2026
Phonics	To monitor performance	w/c 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Summer 2026
Key Stage 2	To monitor performance	June 2026	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Summer 2026
Key Stage 4	To monitor performance	August Results Day	n/a	Summer 2026

## SUPPORT IN THE USE OF DATA TO RAISE ACHIEVEMENT

The effective use of school data will contribute towards a school's capacity to improve and therefore it is important for key members of staff and governors to understand how data can be used to evaluate and improve the performance of a school. As a result, the Research and Statistics Service has established a strong tradition of providing performance data to schools and governors in their efforts to raise standards, by providing the following ongoing core services to schools.

<b>Proposed Service for Primary Schools</b>	<b>Provisional Timetable</b>
School profiles: Making Figures Speak for Themselves	Draft w/c 9 September 2025 & final early Nov
KS2 contextual reports	Draft w/c 9 September 2025 & final early Nov
FSP contextual reports	Draft w/c 9 September 2025 & final early Nov
Phonics contextual report	Draft w/c 9 September 2025 & final early Nov
<b>Proposed Service for Secondary Schools</b>	<b>Provisional Timetable</b>
School Profiles: Making Figures Speak for Themselves	Draft late October 2025 and final end of Nov
GCSE contextual reports	Draft late October 2025 and final end of Nov
A/AS Level & equivalent contextual reports	Draft late October 2025 and final early Feb 2026
Provide details of all year 6 transfer data all schools	July 2026
<b>Other ongoing Services</b>	<b>Provisional Timetable</b>
Helpline & telephone support for statutory returns	Ongoing as required by school
Free school meal checking service	Ongoing as required by school
Support for software: Analyse School Performance (ASP)	Ongoing as required by school