

UNITED KINGDOM – NORTHERN IRELAND

Question	Data					Notes and sources used
1. Number of compulsory school aged pupils (including those with SEN)	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference
	274,274		- *			
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	274,274	2009/2010
	154,887	119,387	-	-		
2. Number of compulsory school aged pupils who have SEN (in all educational settings)	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference
	12,747		-			
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	12,747	2009/2010
	6,140	6,607	-	-		
3. Pupils with SEN in segregated special schools	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference
	3,711		-			
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	3,711	2009/2010
	1,645	2,066	-	-		
4. Pupils with SEN in segregated special classes in mainstream schools	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference
	1,705		-			
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	1,705	2009/2010
	915	790	-	-		
5. Pupils with SEN in fully inclusive settings	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference
	7,331		-			
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	7,331	2009/2010
	3,580	3,751	-	-		
6. Compulsory age phase	4 years of age to 16 years of age as defined in Article 46 of the Education and Libraries (Northern Ireland) (Order 1986).					



7. Clarification of Public - Private sector education	Census data does not include information on independent / private sector schools. Such schools operate outside the SEN Framework.
8. Legal Definition of SEN	Article 3 of the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 defines a child as having special educational needs if he or she has a learning difficulty that calls for special educational provision to be made for him or her.