

UNITED KINGDOM – SCOTLAND

Question	Data					Academic Year of Reference	Notes and sources used
	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total		
1. Number of compulsory school aged pupils (including those with SEN)	611,852		-		611,852	2010/11	Source: The Scottish Government, Pupils in Scotland 2010 Statistical Bulletin. This includes all pupils.
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
	368,175	243,677	-	-			
2. Number of compulsory school aged pupils who have SEN (in all educational settings)	64,778		-		64,778 *	2010/11	Source: The Scottish Government, Pupils in Scotland 2010 Statistical Bulletin. * In Scotland the concept of Additional Support Needs (ASN) is used. Please see question 8 below for a full definition. Note: The large increase in the number of pupils with Additional Support needs is the result of more pupils being recorded in the 'Other' support category. Scotland did not record this information in 2009, therefore this increase is due to more complete recording of pupils with additional support needs.
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
	37,021	27,757	-	-			
3. Pupils with SEN in segregated special schools	5,859		-		5,859	2010/11	Source: The Scottish Government, Pupils in Scotland 2010 Statistical Bulletin. All pupils based in special schools are included here regardless of the time they spend in mainstream classes.
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
	2,863	2,996	-	-			
4. Pupils with SEN in segregated special classes in mainstream schools	1,529		-		1,529	2010/11	Source: The Scottish Government, Pupils in Scotland 2010 Statistical Bulletin. Includes pupils with ASN in mainstream schools who spend 20%
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
	996	533	-	-			

							or less of their time in mainstream classes.
5. Pupils with SEN in fully inclusive settings	Public Sector		Private Sector		Total	Academic Year of Reference	Source: The Scottish Government, Pupils in Scotland 2010 Statistical Bulletin. Includes all pupils with ASN in mainstream schools who spend less than 80% of their time in segregated special classes.
	57,390		-				
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
	33,162	24,228	-	-	57,390	2010/11	
6. Compulsory age phase	<p>The usual arrangements for pupils entering the first class of primary school are that children whose 5th birthday falls between the start of March and the end of February start school together in the August in the middle of that period. However, parents may choose to defer entry.</p> <p>Pupils who reach the age of 16 between 1 March and 30 September of a given year can leave that summer, or if they reach 16 from 1 October to the following end of February can leave at the end of winter term during that period.</p> <p>Public sector: Primary phase pupils are pupils aged 4 or older in primary schools or pupils aged 4 to 11 years in special schools. Secondary phase pupils are pupils in secondary schools aged under 16 or pupils aged 12 to 15 years in special schools. Ages are as at 30th September 2010.</p>						
7. Clarification of Public - Private sector education	Publicly funded schools are local authority and grant-aided schools. A grant-aided school is a school in receipt of funding from the Scottish Government.						
8. Legal Definition of SEN	<p>Definition of Additional Support Needs (ASN) in The Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004:</p> <p>(1) A child or young person has additional support needs for the purposes of this Act where, for whatever reason, the child or young person is, or is likely to be, unable without the provision of additional support to benefit from school education provided or to be provided for the child or young person.</p> <p>(2) In subsection (1), the reference to school education includes, in particular, such education directed to the development of the personality, talents and mental and physical abilities of the child or young person to their fullest potential.</p> <p>(3) In this Act, 'additional support' means:</p> <p>(a) in relation to a prescribed pre-school child, a child of school age or a young person receiving school education, provision which is additional to, or otherwise different from, the additional provision made generally for children or, as the case may be, young persons of the same age in schools (other than special schools) under the management of the education authority for the area to which the child or young person belongs;</p> <p>(b) in relation to a child under school other than a prescribed pre-school child, such educational provision as is appropriate in the circumstances.</p>						

