

## ***Distribution Sub-Group (2016) Paper 16 – 2015/16 PLASC data***

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### **Updating the Settlement with 2016 PLASC data**

#### **Summary**

1. This paper provides analysis of the latest pupil numbers and eligibility for Free School Meals taken from the January 2016 Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC).
2. Annex A compares the 2016 counts with 2015 for each Local Authority. Annex B exemplifies the impact of the updated data on the 2016-17 Total SSA.

#### **Views sought**

3. For information and discussion only.

#### **Related Papers**

4. *Distribution Sub-Group (2015) - Paper 18: Updating the settlement with 2015 PLASC data*

<http://gov.wales/docs/dsjlg/minutes/150916-distribution-sub-group-paper18.pdf>

*Distribution Sub-Group (2014) - Paper 17: Updating the settlement with 2014 PLASC data*

*Distribution Sub-Group (2013) - Paper 20: Updating the settlement with 2013 PLASC data*

<http://gov.wales/docs/dsjlg/minutes/130719-dsg-paper20-en.pdf>

*Distribution Sub-Group (2012) - Paper 31: January 2012 PLASC data for Free School Meals*

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/dsjlg/meetings/120717dsg201231en.doc>

*Distribution Sub-Group (2011) - Paper 23: 2012-13 indicative settlement with updated PLASC data*

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/dsjlg/meetings/110719dsg201123en.pdf>

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### **Background**

5. The Settlement indicators relating to pupil numbers are updated on an annual basis using the latest Pupil Level Annual School Census. The data is a snapshot at January of the academic year and is subject to a rigorous validation exercise undertaken by statistical colleagues and the Local Government Finance team within the Welsh Government.
6. The PLASC is the most accurate and robust source of data for pupil numbers and using this as a proxy for need to spend on education services ensures that the Settlement remains reactive to real movements in the number of pupils requiring education. Eligibility for Free School Meals provides a proxy for the additional need to spend on education services arising from deprived populations.
7. Updates to pupil numbers and Free School Meals affect the following IBAs within the settlement:
  - Nursery and primary school teaching and other services;
  - Secondary school teaching and other services;
  - Secondary school transport services;
  - Adult and continuing education transport;
  - Education administration; and
  - General administration.

### **Analysis**

#### Changes to pupil numbers

8. Table 1 in Annex A compares pupils numbers from the 2016 PLASC with the previous year. At the Wales level, overall pupil numbers have increased by 2,577 pupils to a total of 418,372 pupils. The increase was primarily driven by an increase in Cardiff's figures, by 683 pupils and Newport's figures by 413 pupils. There was a notable decrease for Powys of 143 pupils. Changes in percentage shares across Wales range from -0.06% to 0.09%.
9. Changes at the sector level contrast as nursery & primary pupils increased by 3,968 but secondary pupils decreased by 1,391.
10. The main driver of the increase in nursery & primary school pupils is Cardiff with an additional 734 pupils. Only Flintshire, Blaenau Gwent and Monmouthshire recorded a fall in pupil numbers for nursery and primary schools, with reductions of 30, 26, and 7 respectively. The shift in pupils across Wales results in a fall in percentage shares for Flintshire (0.09 percentage points) and Blaenau Gwent (0.04 percentage points), who represent the largest percentage share decreases, along with Caerphilly (0.09 percentage points). At the other end, Cardiff percentage share increased by 0.10 percentage points and Newport and Bridgend percentage shares both increased by 0.07 percentage points.
11. The picture for secondary schools is markedly different with only Flintshire, Swansea, Monmouthshire and Newport reporting more pupils than the previous year. There are falls in percentage share for Powys (0.09 percentage points), Gwynedd and Torfaen both fell by 0.07 percentage points and Pembrokeshire (0.06 percentage points). These decreases are offset by Swansea, (increased of 0.08 percentage points) and Newport and Cardiff both increased by 0.06 percentage points.

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### Changes to Free School Meals

12. Table 2 in Annex A compares the number of pupils eligible for free school meals in 2015 and 2016 using the following criteria:
- Primary definition: all full-time and part-time primary pupils in all settings excluding N1 and N2 (including Educated Other Than At School); and
  - Secondary definition: secondary pupils in year groups 7 to 11 in all settings (including Educated Other Than At School).
13. At the Wales level, overall eligibility for FSM decreased by 1,469 pupils. In particular Newport and Rhondda Cynon Taf recorded reductions in the number of FSM pupils of 207 and 205 respectively. At the sector level higher decreases in eligibility for FSM was seen in nursery & primary schools pupils (860) compared to secondary schools pupils (609).
14. The largest percentage shares decreases in nursery & primary FSM are for Bridgend (0.19 percentage points), Blaenau Gwent (0.18 percentage points) and Conwy and Caerphilly both recorded a fall of 0.16 percentage points. The larger gains in percentage shares include Neath Port Talbot (0.20 percentage points) and Swansea and Cardiff both increased by 0.18 percentage points.
15. For secondary school pupils eligible for FSM, the shift in percentage shares across Wales results in large losses for Rhondda Cynon Taf and Newport of 0.32 and 0.24 percentage points respectively. While there were large gains in percentages shares for Flintshire and Carmarthenshire of 0.30 and 0.25 percentage points respectively.

### Impact on the Standard Spending Assessment

16. Tables 3 – 5 in Annex A exemplify the impact of the 2016 PLASC on the 2016-17 Total SSA: (3) updated pupil numbers only, (4) updated free school meals only and (5) combined update.
17. The majority of the change is concentrated in the two largest education IBAs 'nursery and primary school teaching and other services' and 'secondary school teaching and other services'. Minor distributional changes occurred in the other IBAs whose formulae include PLASC data as mentioned in paragraph 7.
18. Table 3 shows the changes in Total SSA are in line with the changes to pupil numbers as Cardiff and Newport's shares both increased by 0.02 percentage points. A notable loss in SSA share was for Powys of 0.02 percentage points. For the Nursery & Primary school IBA, Cardiff illustrates the largest gain of £0.75m, followed by Bridgend and Newport at £0.64m and £0.56m respectively. While notable losses were seen for Caerphilly, Flintshire and Blaenau Gwent at £0.77m, £0.73m and £0.36m respectively. Conversely, both Caerphilly and Flintshire show large increases in the Secondary school IBA at around £0.33m and £0.38m respectively, or percentage share increase of 0.04 and 0.05 percentage points respectively. A notable decrease was seen for Powys, illustrated by a loss of £0.63m or a decrease in percentage share of 0.08 percentage points.
19. Table 4 shows that the latest data for free school meals results in a redistribution of Total SSA ranging from -£0.30m for Newport to £0.35m for Flintshire. In the Nursery & Primary IBA the largest increase in the redistribution would see an increase of £180 thousand for Neath Port Talbot and the largest decrease of £170 thousand for Bridgend. The reduction in total SSA for Newport can be explained by the notable decreases in percentage shares, with a decrease of £109 thousand (0.01 percentage points) in the Nursery & Primary IBA and £185 thousand (0.02 percentage points) in

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the Secondary IBA. Flintshire illustrated a noteworthy increase in the secondary school teaching and other services IBA with a percentage share increase of £233 thousand (0.03 percentage points).

20. Table 5 shows the combined impact of updating the PLASC and FSM data. Changes in percentage shares of Total SSA range from -0.02 percentage points for Powys to 0.03 percentage points for Cardiff. The combined impact of higher primary school pupil numbers and smaller reduction in secondary pupil numbers drives a notable increase of about £1.57m in total SSA for Cardiff. Powys has a notable decrease of about £1.01m in total SSA, driven by reductions in both primary and secondary pupil numbers.

### **Conclusion**

21. There were more pupils overall in Wales in January 2016 compared with January 2015. However, the picture at the sector level is contrasting with widespread increases in primary pupils and widespread decreases in secondary pupils.
22. The overall modelled distributional change to the 2016-17 SSA resulting from the latest data is an increase of £1.57m for Cardiff and a decrease of £1.01m for Powys. The redistribution in funding reflects the most up to date indication of need to spend on education services.
23. The exemplifications are based on the isolated effect of the PLASC on the 2016-17 Settlement. The exemplifications do not account for any other changes in data that will be made for the 2017-18 Settlement, for the impact of transfers in and out, for the impact of changes in formulae resulting from IBA reviews or any other structural changes to the overall formula.

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Annex A

Table 1 - Main settlement indicators of pupil numbers from 2015/16 PLASC compared to 2014/15 PLASC

Local authority	Nursery & Primary schools <sup>1</sup>						Secondary schools <sup>2</sup>						All pupils <sup>3</sup>					
	2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference		2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference		2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference	
	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	5,438	2.1%	5,512	2.1%	74	0.00%	3,244	2.0%	3,231	2.1%	-13	0.01%	8,682	2.1%	8,743	2.1%	61	0.00%
Gwynedd	9,359	3.6%	9,487	3.6%	128	-0.01%	6,222	3.9%	6,050	3.9%	-172	-0.07%	15,581	3.7%	15,537	3.7%	-44	-0.03%
Conwy	8,380	3.3%	8,547	3.3%	167	0.01%	5,547	3.5%	5,483	3.5%	-64	-0.01%	13,927	3.3%	14,030	3.4%	103	0.00%
Denbighshire	8,142	3.2%	8,320	3.2%	178	0.02%	5,743	3.6%	5,647	3.6%	-96	-0.03%	13,885	3.3%	13,967	3.3%	82	0.00%
Flintshire	13,214	5.1%	13,184	5.0%	-30	-0.09%	8,077	5.1%	8,087	5.2%	10	0.05%	21,291	5.1%	21,271	5.1%	-20	-0.04%
Wrexham	12,138	4.7%	12,358	4.7%	220	0.01%	6,014	3.8%	5,907	3.8%	-107	-0.03%	18,152	4.4%	18,265	4.4%	113	0.00%
Powys	9,881	3.8%	9,930	3.8%	49	-0.04%	6,520	4.1%	6,328	4.0%	-192	-0.09%	16,401	3.9%	16,258	3.9%	-143	-0.06%
Ceredigion	5,105	2.0%	5,173	2.0%	68	0.00%	3,476	2.2%	3,467	2.2%	-9	0.01%	8,581	2.1%	8,640	2.1%	59	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	9,847	3.8%	9,926	3.8%	79	-0.03%	5,916	3.7%	5,774	3.7%	-142	-0.06%	15,763	3.8%	15,700	3.8%	-63	-0.04%
Carmarthenshire	14,745	5.7%	14,944	5.7%	199	-0.01%	9,776	6.2%	9,689	6.2%	-87	0.00%	24,521	5.9%	24,633	5.9%	112	-0.01%
Swansea	19,760	7.7%	20,113	7.7%	353	0.02%	12,046	7.6%	12,060	7.7%	14	0.08%	31,806	7.6%	32,173	7.7%	367	0.04%
Neath Port Talbot	11,533	4.5%	11,702	4.5%	169	0.00%	7,409	4.7%	7,401	4.7%	-8	0.04%	18,942	4.6%	19,103	4.6%	161	0.01%
Bridgend	11,944	4.6%	12,322	4.7%	378	0.07%	7,635	4.8%	7,532	4.8%	-103	-0.02%	19,579	4.7%	19,854	4.7%	275	0.04%
The Vale of Glamorgan	11,639	4.5%	11,917	4.6%	278	0.04%	7,356	4.6%	7,303	4.7%	-53	0.01%	18,995	4.6%	19,220	4.6%	225	0.03%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	20,518	8.0%	20,821	8.0%	303	-0.01%	13,027	8.2%	12,942	8.2%	-85	0.02%	33,545	8.1%	33,763	8.1%	218	0.00%
Merthyr Tydfil	5,211	2.0%	5,290	2.0%	79	0.00%	2,906	1.8%	2,856	1.8%	-50	-0.02%	8,117	2.0%	8,146	1.9%	29	-0.01%
Caerphilly	15,821	6.1%	15,821	6.1%	0	-0.09%	10,018	6.3%	10,008	6.4%	-10	0.05%	25,839	6.2%	25,829	6.2%	-10	-0.04%
Blaenau Gwent	5,693	2.2%	5,667	2.2%	-26	-0.04%	3,073	1.9%	3,019	1.9%	-54	-0.02%	8,766	2.1%	8,686	2.1%	-80	-0.03%
Torfaen	8,067	3.1%	8,245	3.2%	178	0.02%	5,495	3.5%	5,338	3.4%	-157	-0.07%	13,562	3.3%	13,583	3.2%	21	-0.02%
Monmouthshire	6,710	2.6%	6,703	2.6%	-7	-0.04%	3,915	2.5%	3,937	2.5%	22	0.04%	10,625	2.6%	10,640	2.5%	15	-0.01%
Newport	13,724	5.3%	14,121	5.4%	397	0.07%	8,265	5.2%	8,281	5.3%	16	0.06%	21,989	5.3%	22,402	5.4%	413	0.07%
Cardiff	30,554	11.9%	31,288	12.0%	734	0.10%	16,692	10.5%	16,641	10.6%	-51	0.06%	47,246	11.4%	47,929	11.5%	683	0.09%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>257,423</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>261,391</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,968</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>158,372</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>156,981</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-1,391</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>415,795</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>418,372</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,577</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted Nursery pupils & Primary pupils (maintained and EOTAS settings)

<sup>2</sup> Secondary pupils in years 7 to 11 (maintained and EOTAS settings)

<sup>3</sup> Nursery & Primary Schools + Secondary Schools

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Table 2 - Free School Meals settlement indicators from 2015/16 PLASC compared to 2014/15 PLASC

Local authority	Nursery & Primary schools <sup>1</sup>						Secondary schools <sup>2</sup>						All pupils <sup>3</sup>					
	2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference		2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference		2015 PLASC		2016 PLASC		Difference	
	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	906	1.9%	869	1.9%	-37	-0.04%	529	1.9%	533	2.0%	4	0.06%	1,435	1.9%	1,402	1.9%	-33	-0.01%
Gwynedd	1,275	2.7%	1,247	2.7%	-28	-0.01%	744	2.7%	710	2.6%	-34	-0.07%	2,019	2.7%	1,957	2.7%	-62	-0.03%
Conwy	1,452	3.1%	1,351	2.9%	-101	-0.16%	870	3.1%	840	3.1%	-30	-0.04%	2,322	3.1%	2,191	3.0%	-131	-0.12%
Denbighshire	1,559	3.3%	1,539	3.3%	-20	0.02%	955	3.5%	974	3.6%	19	0.15%	2,514	3.4%	2,513	3.4%	-1	0.07%
Flintshire	1,946	4.1%	1,966	4.2%	20	0.12%	1,059	3.8%	1,118	4.1%	59	0.30%	3,005	4.0%	3,084	4.2%	79	0.19%
Wrexham	1,894	4.0%	1,914	4.1%	20	0.12%	930	3.4%	882	3.3%	-48	-0.10%	2,824	3.8%	2,796	3.8%	-28	0.04%
Powys	1,027	2.2%	998	2.2%	-29	-0.02%	654	2.4%	638	2.4%	-16	-0.01%	1,681	2.2%	1,636	2.2%	-45	-0.02%
Ceredigion	646	1.4%	618	1.3%	-28	-0.04%	374	1.4%	358	1.3%	-16	-0.03%	1,020	1.4%	976	1.3%	-44	-0.03%
Pembrokeshire	1,541	3.3%	1,507	3.3%	-34	-0.01%	900	3.3%	885	3.3%	-15	0.02%	2,441	3.3%	2,392	3.3%	-49	0.00%
Carmarthenshire	2,513	5.3%	2,492	5.4%	-21	0.05%	1,544	5.6%	1,579	5.8%	35	0.25%	4,057	5.4%	4,071	5.6%	14	0.13%
Swansea	3,822	8.1%	3,835	8.3%	13	0.18%	2,276	8.2%	2,206	8.2%	-70	-0.07%	6,098	8.2%	6,041	8.2%	-57	0.09%
Neath Port Talbot	2,544	5.4%	2,591	5.6%	47	0.20%	1,649	6.0%	1,635	6.0%	-14	0.08%	4,193	5.6%	4,226	5.8%	33	0.16%
Bridgend	2,381	5.1%	2,249	4.9%	-132	-0.19%	1,355	4.9%	1,312	4.8%	-43	-0.05%	3,736	5.0%	3,561	4.9%	-175	-0.14%
The Vale of Glamorgan	1,524	3.2%	1,492	3.2%	-32	-0.01%	935	3.4%	959	3.5%	24	0.16%	2,459	3.3%	2,451	3.3%	-8	0.05%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	4,506	9.6%	4,449	9.6%	-57	0.05%	2,743	9.9%	2,595	9.6%	-148	-0.32%	7,249	9.7%	7,044	9.6%	-205	-0.09%
Merthyr Tydfil	1,113	2.4%	1,074	2.3%	-39	-0.04%	667	2.4%	614	2.3%	-53	-0.14%	1,780	2.4%	1,688	2.3%	-92	-0.08%
Caerphilly	3,516	7.5%	3,379	7.3%	-137	-0.16%	2,228	8.1%	2,223	8.2%	-5	0.16%	5,744	7.7%	5,602	7.6%	-142	-0.04%
Blaenau Gwent	1,600	3.4%	1,489	3.2%	-111	-0.18%	844	3.1%	797	2.9%	-47	-0.11%	2,444	3.3%	2,286	3.1%	-158	-0.15%
Torfaen	1,523	3.2%	1,501	3.2%	-22	0.01%	916	3.3%	861	3.2%	-55	-0.13%	2,439	3.3%	2,362	3.2%	-77	-0.04%
Monmouthshire	721	1.5%	730	1.6%	9	0.05%	417	1.5%	406	1.5%	-11	-0.01%	1,138	1.5%	1,136	1.5%	-2	0.03%
Newport	2,713	5.8%	2,607	5.6%	-106	-0.12%	1,617	5.8%	1,516	5.6%	-101	-0.24%	4,330	5.8%	4,123	5.6%	-207	-0.17%
Cardiff	6,403	13.6%	6,368	13.8%	-35	0.18%	3,458	12.5%	3,414	12.6%	-44	0.12%	9,861	13.2%	9,782	13.3%	-79	0.16%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>47,125</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>46,265</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-860</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>27,664</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>27,055</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-609</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>74,789</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>73,320</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-1,469</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Adjusted Nursery pupils & Primary pupils (maintained and EOTAS settings)

<sup>2</sup> Secondary pupils in years 7 to 11 (maintained and EOTAS settings)

<sup>3</sup> Nursery & Primary Schools + Secondary Schools

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Table 3 – Exemplification to show the impact of updated pupil numbers only on the 2016-17 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	24,180	2.4%	24,158	2.4%	-22	0.00%	17,650	2.1%	17,721	2.1%	71	0.01%	125,347	2.3%	125,394	2.3%	46	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,798	4.0%	40,737	4.0%	-62	-0.01%	32,656	4.0%	32,157	3.9%	-499	-0.06%	221,839	4.1%	221,278	4.1%	-561	-0.01%
Conwy	34,218	3.3%	34,355	3.4%	137	0.01%	29,439	3.6%	29,422	3.6%	-17	0.00%	204,382	3.8%	204,498	3.8%	116	0.00%
Denbighshire	33,065	3.2%	33,236	3.2%	171	0.02%	29,667	3.6%	29,472	3.6%	-194	-0.02%	182,572	3.4%	182,552	3.4%	-20	0.00%
Flintshire	52,229	5.1%	51,499	5.0%	-730	-0.07%	41,445	5.0%	41,822	5.1%	377	0.05%	253,738	4.7%	253,372	4.7%	-366	-0.01%
Wrexham	46,400	4.5%	46,505	4.5%	105	0.01%	31,528	3.8%	31,306	3.8%	-222	-0.03%	228,339	4.2%	228,233	4.2%	-106	0.00%
Powys	42,726	4.2%	42,399	4.1%	-327	-0.03%	34,204	4.1%	33,569	4.1%	-635	-0.08%	236,065	4.4%	235,084	4.3%	-981	-0.02%
Ceredigion	22,793	2.2%	22,759	2.2%	-34	0.00%	18,148	2.2%	18,188	2.2%	40	0.00%	131,151	2.4%	131,155	2.4%	4	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	41,517	4.1%	41,285	4.0%	-232	-0.02%	31,591	3.8%	31,163	3.8%	-428	-0.05%	216,784	4.0%	216,089	4.0%	-695	-0.01%
Carmarthenshire	63,037	6.2%	62,934	6.1%	-103	-0.01%	51,513	6.2%	51,563	6.3%	50	0.01%	330,855	6.1%	330,798	6.1%	-57	0.00%
Swansea	75,790	7.4%	75,935	7.4%	145	0.01%	62,121	7.5%	62,715	7.6%	594	0.07%	407,274	7.5%	408,042	7.5%	769	0.01%
Neath Port Talbot	46,562	4.5%	46,550	4.5%	-12	0.00%	39,528	4.8%	39,766	4.8%	237	0.03%	258,331	4.8%	258,566	4.8%	235	0.00%
Bridgend	46,486	4.5%	47,127	4.6%	641	0.06%	39,142	4.7%	39,060	4.7%	-83	-0.01%	245,462	4.5%	246,027	4.5%	565	0.01%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,849	4.3%	44,176	4.3%	327	0.03%	36,733	4.5%	36,707	4.5%	-26	0.00%	213,883	3.9%	214,193	3.9%	310	0.01%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	81,510	8.0%	81,499	8.0%	-11	0.00%	68,994	8.4%	69,082	8.4%	88	0.01%	436,708	8.0%	436,783	8.1%	75	0.00%
Merthyr Tydfil	20,086	2.0%	20,078	2.0%	-7	0.00%	15,451	1.9%	15,334	1.9%	-117	-0.01%	109,476	2.0%	109,352	2.0%	-124	0.00%
Caerphilly	62,997	6.2%	62,231	6.1%	-766	-0.07%	53,608	6.5%	53,934	6.5%	326	0.04%	330,139	6.1%	329,677	6.1%	-462	-0.01%
Blaenau Gwent	23,168	2.3%	22,805	2.2%	-363	-0.04%	17,182	2.1%	17,023	2.1%	-159	-0.02%	132,324	2.4%	131,795	2.4%	-528	-0.01%
Torfaen	30,718	3.0%	30,886	3.0%	168	0.02%	27,630	3.4%	27,097	3.3%	-533	-0.06%	165,460	3.0%	165,075	3.0%	-385	-0.01%
Monmouthshire	27,244	2.7%	26,904	2.6%	-340	-0.03%	20,088	2.4%	20,303	2.5%	214	0.03%	141,267	2.6%	141,138	2.6%	-129	0.00%
Newport	51,419	5.0%	51,982	5.1%	563	0.06%	42,197	5.1%	42,604	5.2%	407	0.05%	271,331	5.0%	272,306	5.0%	974	0.02%
Cardiff	112,730	11.0%	113,483	11.1%	753	0.07%	84,226	10.2%	84,734	10.3%	508	0.06%	582,402	10.7%	583,720	10.8%	1,318	0.02%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

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Table 4 – Exemplification to show the impact of updated Free School Meals only on the 2016-17 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	24,180	2.4%	24,141	2.4%	-39	0.00%	17,650	2.1%	17,694	2.1%	44	0.01%	125,347	2.3%	125,352	2.3%	5	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,798	4.0%	40,789	4.0%	-9	0.00%	32,656	4.0%	32,606	4.0%	-50	-0.01%	221,839	4.1%	221,779	4.1%	-60	0.00%
Conwy	34,218	3.3%	34,075	3.3%	-143	-0.01%	29,439	3.6%	29,409	3.6%	-31	0.00%	204,382	3.8%	204,205	3.8%	-177	0.00%
Denbighshire	33,065	3.2%	33,082	3.2%	16	0.00%	29,667	3.6%	29,780	3.6%	113	0.01%	182,572	3.4%	182,704	3.4%	132	0.00%
Flintshire	52,229	5.1%	52,336	5.1%	107	0.01%	41,445	5.0%	41,679	5.1%	233	0.03%	253,738	4.7%	254,084	4.7%	347	0.01%
Wrexham	46,400	4.5%	46,505	4.5%	105	0.01%	31,528	3.8%	31,450	3.8%	-78	-0.01%	228,339	4.2%	228,366	4.2%	28	0.00%
Powys	42,726	4.2%	42,706	4.2%	-20	0.00%	34,204	4.1%	34,199	4.1%	-5	0.00%	236,065	4.4%	236,041	4.4%	-25	0.00%
Ceredigion	22,793	2.2%	22,762	2.2%	-31	0.00%	18,148	2.2%	18,126	2.2%	-22	0.00%	131,151	2.4%	131,096	2.4%	-54	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	41,517	4.1%	41,506	4.1%	-11	0.00%	31,591	3.8%	31,605	3.8%	14	0.00%	216,784	4.0%	216,786	4.0%	2	0.00%
Carmarthenshire	63,037	6.2%	63,085	6.2%	48	0.00%	51,513	6.2%	51,709	6.3%	196	0.02%	330,855	6.1%	331,103	6.1%	248	0.00%
Swansea	75,790	7.4%	75,950	7.4%	159	0.02%	62,121	7.5%	62,065	7.5%	-56	-0.01%	407,274	7.5%	407,379	7.5%	105	0.00%
Neath Port Talbot	46,562	4.5%	46,742	4.6%	180	0.02%	39,528	4.8%	39,592	4.8%	63	0.01%	258,331	4.8%	258,579	4.8%	248	0.00%
Bridgend	46,486	4.5%	46,316	4.5%	-170	-0.02%	39,142	4.7%	39,105	4.7%	-37	0.00%	245,462	4.5%	245,250	4.5%	-212	0.00%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,849	4.3%	43,841	4.3%	-8	0.00%	36,733	4.5%	36,859	4.5%	126	0.02%	213,883	3.9%	214,004	3.9%	121	0.00%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	81,510	8.0%	81,558	8.0%	49	0.00%	68,994	8.4%	68,745	8.3%	-248	-0.03%	436,708	8.0%	436,505	8.0%	-204	0.00%
Merthyr Tydfil	20,086	2.0%	20,050	2.0%	-36	0.00%	15,451	1.9%	15,343	1.9%	-109	-0.01%	109,476	2.0%	109,328	2.0%	-147	0.00%
Caerphilly	62,997	6.2%	62,856	6.1%	-140	-0.01%	53,608	6.5%	53,733	6.5%	125	0.02%	330,139	6.1%	330,123	6.1%	-16	0.00%
Blaenau Gwent	23,168	2.3%	23,011	2.2%	-157	-0.02%	17,182	2.1%	17,101	2.1%	-81	-0.01%	132,324	2.4%	132,081	2.4%	-243	0.00%
Torfaen	30,718	3.0%	30,729	3.0%	11	0.00%	27,630	3.4%	27,531	3.3%	-99	-0.01%	165,460	3.0%	165,370	3.0%	-89	0.00%
Monmouthshire	27,244	2.7%	27,287	2.7%	43	0.00%	20,088	2.4%	20,083	2.4%	-5	0.00%	141,267	2.6%	141,305	2.6%	38	0.00%
Newport	51,419	5.0%	51,311	5.0%	-109	-0.01%	42,197	5.1%	42,012	5.1%	-185	-0.02%	271,331	5.0%	271,031	5.0%	-300	-0.01%
Cardiff	112,730	11.0%	112,888	11.0%	158	0.02%	84,226	10.2%	84,317	10.2%	91	0.01%	582,402	10.7%	582,655	10.7%	253	0.00%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>



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Table 5 – Exemplification to show the combined impact of updated pupil numbers and FSM on the 2016-17 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2015 PLASC		Based on 2016 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	24,180	2.4%	24,119	2.4%	-61	-0.01%	17,650	2.1%	17,766	2.2%	116	0.01%	125,347	2.3%	125,399	2.3%	52	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,798	4.0%	40,728	4.0%	-71	-0.01%	32,656	4.0%	32,107	3.9%	-549	-0.07%	221,839	4.1%	221,218	4.1%	-621	-0.01%
Conwy	34,218	3.3%	34,211	3.3%	-7	0.00%	29,439	3.6%	29,392	3.6%	-48	-0.01%	204,382	3.8%	204,321	3.8%	-61	0.00%
Denbighshire	33,065	3.2%	33,252	3.2%	187	0.02%	29,667	3.6%	29,586	3.6%	-81	-0.01%	182,572	3.4%	182,685	3.4%	113	0.00%
Flintshire	52,229	5.1%	51,606	5.0%	-623	-0.06%	41,445	5.0%	42,055	5.1%	610	0.07%	253,738	4.7%	253,719	4.7%	-19	0.00%
Wrexham	46,400	4.5%	46,610	4.6%	210	0.02%	31,528	3.8%	31,228	3.8%	-300	-0.04%	228,339	4.2%	228,260	4.2%	-78	0.00%
Powys	42,726	4.2%	42,380	4.1%	-346	-0.03%	34,204	4.1%	33,565	4.1%	-639	-0.08%	236,065	4.4%	235,060	4.3%	-1,006	-0.02%
Ceredigion	22,793	2.2%	22,728	2.2%	-65	-0.01%	18,148	2.2%	18,166	2.2%	18	0.00%	131,151	2.4%	131,100	2.4%	-50	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	41,517	4.1%	41,274	4.0%	-244	-0.02%	31,591	3.8%	31,177	3.8%	-415	-0.05%	216,784	4.0%	216,091	4.0%	-693	-0.01%
Carmarthenshire	63,037	6.2%	62,981	6.2%	-55	-0.01%	51,513	6.2%	51,758	6.3%	245	0.03%	330,855	6.1%	331,046	6.1%	191	0.00%
Swansea	75,790	7.4%	76,094	7.4%	304	0.03%	62,121	7.5%	62,659	7.6%	538	0.07%	407,274	7.5%	408,147	7.5%	874	0.02%
Neath Port Talbot	46,562	4.5%	46,730	4.6%	168	0.02%	39,528	4.8%	39,829	4.8%	301	0.04%	258,331	4.8%	258,814	4.8%	483	0.01%
Bridgend	46,486	4.5%	46,957	4.6%	471	0.05%	39,142	4.7%	39,022	4.7%	-120	-0.01%	245,462	4.5%	245,815	4.5%	353	0.01%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,849	4.3%	44,168	4.3%	319	0.03%	36,733	4.5%	36,834	4.5%	101	0.01%	213,883	3.9%	214,314	4.0%	430	0.01%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	81,510	8.0%	81,548	8.0%	38	0.00%	68,994	8.4%	68,834	8.3%	-160	-0.02%	436,708	8.0%	436,579	8.0%	-129	0.00%
Merthyr Tydfil	20,086	2.0%	20,042	2.0%	-43	0.00%	15,451	1.9%	15,225	1.8%	-226	-0.03%	109,476	2.0%	109,205	2.0%	-271	0.00%
Caerphilly	62,997	6.2%	62,091	6.1%	-906	-0.09%	53,608	6.5%	54,059	6.6%	450	0.05%	330,139	6.1%	329,661	6.1%	-478	-0.01%
Blaenau Gwent	23,168	2.3%	22,647	2.2%	-521	-0.05%	17,182	2.1%	16,943	2.1%	-239	-0.03%	132,324	2.4%	131,553	2.4%	-771	-0.01%
Torfaen	30,718	3.0%	30,897	3.0%	179	0.02%	27,630	3.4%	26,998	3.3%	-632	-0.08%	165,460	3.0%	164,985	3.0%	-474	-0.01%
Monmouthshire	27,244	2.7%	26,947	2.6%	-297	-0.03%	20,088	2.4%	20,298	2.5%	209	0.03%	141,267	2.6%	141,177	2.6%	-91	0.00%
Newport	51,419	5.0%	51,874	5.1%	454	0.04%	42,197	5.1%	42,419	5.1%	221	0.03%	271,331	5.0%	272,006	5.0%	675	0.01%
Cardiff	112,730	11.0%	113,641	11.1%	910	0.09%	84,226	10.2%	84,825	10.3%	599	0.07%	582,402	10.7%	583,973	10.8%	1,571	0.03%
<b>Wales</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,023,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>824,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,425,128</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**Additional information**

24. The definition of the nursery & primary Free School Meals indicator was changed for the 2013-14 settlement following a review by the Distribution Sub Group in 2012. The definition was brought more in line with the statutory duties on local authorities to provide a school meal.
25. For more information on the reasons for this change see the DSG Report 2012: <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/localgovernment/finandfunding/dsg1/item/dsg20092012/?lang=en>