

Childcare statistics 2010

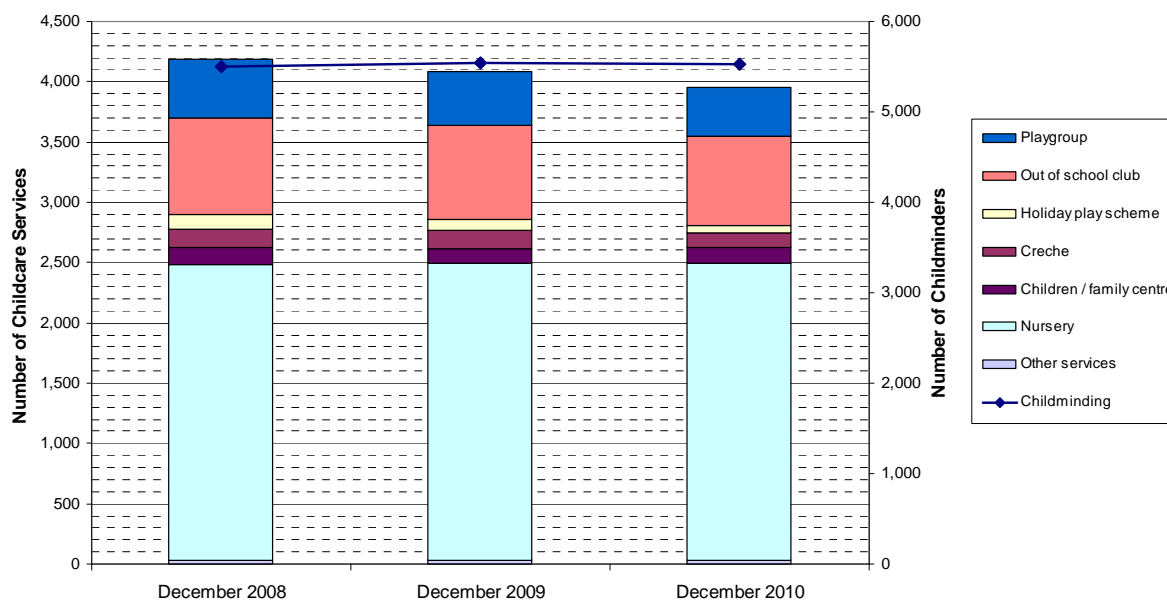
Care Inspectorate statistics on the provision and use of registered day care of children and childminding services in Scotland as at December 2010

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The Care Inspectorate today published “Childcare statistics 2010”, which presents new statistics on the provision and use of day care of children and childminding services registered with the Care Inspectorate as at 31 December 2010.

Chart 1: Number of active registered childcare services by main service type, as at December 2008, December 2009 and December 2010



The main findings are:

- Around 218,300 children (23.9% of the total population aged 0-15yrs old in Scotland) attended a registered childcare or childminding service in the last full week of November 2010.
- This was a drop from 221,500 children (24.3% of the 0-15 yr old population) in November 2009 and from 224,000 children (24.5% of the 0-15 yr old population) in November 2008.
- This drop was due to decreases in attendances at creches, holiday play schemes, out of school clubs and playgroups. These decreases have outweighed an increase in attendances at nurseries.
- The drop in attendances for creches, holiday play schemes, out of school clubs and playgroups has followed a fall in the numbers of these services that have been operating between December 2008 and December 2010.
- The number of registered nurseries has stayed relatively constant since December 2008, however there has been a slight increase in the average number of children attending per nursery over this time period.
- The number of children attending a childminder has risen slightly from around 27,100 in November 2008 (an average of 4.9 children per childminder) to 28,000 in November 2010 (an average of 5.1 children per childminder).

Number of registered childcare services (tables 1 to 4):

Note that the types of services quoted below (nurseries, playgroups, out of school clubs, holiday play schemes etc) are based on estimates of the main type of provision that each day care of children service is providing. Some services may provide a mixture of types of day care, for example a service where the main provision is an out of school club may also provide a holiday play scheme.

- Of the total of 10,112 registered childcare services as at December 2010, 9,486 (94%) of these were active (i.e. actively providing a service at this time).
- The remaining 626 inactive services were those services which have remained on the register but which were not actively providing a service. The majority of these inactive services were childminders (578 services).
- The number of active services has fallen year on year from 2008 to 2010. This is largely due to drops in the numbers of creches, holiday play schemes, out of school clubs and playgroups that have been operating over this time period.
- The total number of nurseries has stayed relatively constant from 2008 to 2010, however there has been an increase in the number run on a private basis and decreases in the number run on a not-for-profit basis and by local authorities.
- Excluding childminders, the percentage of services run privately has increased from 26% in 2008 to 27% in 2010. Over the same time period the percentage of services run on a not-for-profit basis has fallen from 30% to 28%.
- There was some variation in the numbers of childcare services per head of population across Scotland as at December 2010:
 - There were less childminders per head of population in large urban areas compared to other areas of the country, especially small towns.
 - There were less childminders per head of population in the most deprived areas compared to the least deprived areas.
 - There were a greater number of children / family centres and creches per head of population in the most deprived areas compared to the least deprived areas
 - There were a greater number of nurseries per head of population in remote-rural areas compared to other areas
 - There were less out of school clubs per head of population in remote-rural areas compared to other areas
 - There were less playgroups per head of population in urban areas compared to other areas, and less playgroups per head of population in the most deprived areas compared to the least deprived areas.

Number of children using registered childcare services (tables 5 to 12):

- Around 218,300 children (23.9% of the total population of 0-15yrs old in Scotland) attended a registered childcare service in the last full week of November 2010, a drop from 221,500 children in 2009 and from 224,000 children in 2008
- The average number of children attending per service (excluding childminders) has increased from 47 children per service in November 2008 to 48 children per service in November 2010. This is largely due to increases in average numbers of children per service for nurseries and children/family centres over this time period. This has offset decreases in average numbers of children per service for creches and holiday play schemes.
- There is some variation in the number of children attending services between areas of Scotland. Some of this will reflect underlying differences in the numbers of services operating in different areas of the country, but some of this will also reflect differences in the numbers of children attending per service in each of the areas:
 - Creches, nurseries, out of school clubs, and playgroups in remote-rural areas have a lower number of children attending per service on average compared to other areas of the country
 - Childminders in the most deprived areas have a lower number of children attending on average compared to the least deprived areas.
 - For creches, nurseries and out of school clubs, privately run services have a higher average number of children attending per service on average compared to local authority or not-for-profit services.

Service provision as at December 2010 (tables 13 to 18):

- For different age-groups that were provided for by services, childminders, creches and 'other' services (which largely consists of women's aid related services) were most likely to cater for all age-groups up to 15 yrs old. Nurseries were more likely to cater for children aged 5-7yrs and under compared to older children. Out of school clubs and holiday play schemes were more likely to cater for children aged 5-7yrs and over compared to younger children.
- When looking at availability during the early morning and during the day, childcare services were generally more likely to be available over school term time compared to over school holidays. There were some differences behind this however in that, as might be expected, holiday play schemes were more likely to be available during school holidays compared to in school terms.
- Excluding childminders, nearly all (99%) of childcare services were available on a planned rather than a drop-in basis. The exceptions were creches (34% available as drop-in) and also a small number of out of school clubs and 'other' services.

- Excluding childminders, nearly half (48%) of childcare services provided either whole-day sessions or a mixture of whole-day and part-day sessions. Playgroups, creches and local-authority run nurseries were most likely to provide only part-day sessions.
- Overall, around 91% of nurseries were providing pre-school education through either local authority or partnership funded education. Around 98% of local authority nurseries were providing local authority pre-school education. This compared to around 89% of not-for-profit nurseries providing partnership education and around 76% of private nurseries providing partnership education. Around 68% of children/family centres were providing either local authority or partnership pre-school education, compared with 67% of playgroups. Note that these figures are estimates only and exclude any forms of pre-school education which are not specifically related to local authority or partnership funded education. More detail on pre-school education provision is available in Scottish Government National Statistics publications.
- Around 96% of childcare services provided snacks (either provided by the service or parents).
- The proportion of childcare services that provided meals to children varied between main types of service and may have been related in part to whether services provided part-day or whole-day sessions. Around 94% of childminders provided for meals (with the food either provided by the service or parents).
- Excluding Childminders, around 99% of childcare services used the English language in delivering the service. 2% of services used Gaelic, 2% used British Sign Language, and 4% used another language.
- Excluding Childminders, around 1% of childcare services used a Suzuki / Montessori service philosophy. Around 0.5% of services used a Steiner philosophy.

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Note that some additional background tables are provided in the Excel workbook that accompanies this publication.

Table 1: Number of registered childcare services by main service type and service status (active / inactive), as at December 2008, December 2009 and December 2010

Number of services

	December 2008			December 2009			December 2010		
	Total services	Of which:		Total services	Of which:		Total services	Of which:	
		Active services	Inactive services		Active services	Inactive services		Active services	Inactive services
<u>Childcare services by main service type:</u>									
Childminding	6,039	5,503	536	6,066	5,540	526	6,107	5,529	578
Children / family centre	142	141	1	131	130	1	136	134	2
Creche	164	160	4	152	148	4	120	113	7
Holiday play scheme	116	112	4	99	95	4	78	68	10
Nursery	2,464	2,450	14	2,476	2,460	16	2,478	2,464	14
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	375	375	0	388	387	1	399	399	0
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	2,089	2,075	14	2,088	2,073	15	2,079	2,065	14
Out of school club	808	805	3	781	778	3	745	736	9
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	482	481	1	482	481	1	489	484	5
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	326	324	2	299	297	2	256	252	4
Playgroup	486	485	1	445	444	1	416	411	5
Other services	31	31	0	29	29	0	32	31	1
Total	10,250	9,687	563	10,179	9,624	555	10,112	9,486	626
Total excluding Childminders	4,211	4,184	27	4,113	4,084	29	4,005	3,957	48

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return information submitted in another year or from other information about the service for example their conditions of registration.

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Table 2: Number of active registered childcare services by main service type and management sector, as at December 2008, December 2009 and December 2010

Number of services

	December 2008				December 2009				December 2010			
	Total active services	Of which:			Total active services	Of which:			Total active services	Of which:		
		Local authority	Private	Not for profit		Local authority	Private	Not for profit		Local authority	Private	Not for profit
Active childcare services by main service type:												
Childminding	5,503	0	5,503	0	5,540	0	5,540	0	5,529	0	5,529	0
Children / family centre	141	92	3	46	130	87	3	40	134	89	4	41
Creche	160	56	56	48	148	51	48	49	113	40	36	37
Holiday play scheme	112	32	18	62	95	29	14	52	68	14	11	43
Nursery	2,450	1,497	724	229	2,460	1,489	746	225	2,464	1,479	764	221
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	375	139	175	61	387	136	192	59	399	137	203	59
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,075	1,358	549	168	2,073	1,353	554	166	2,065	1,342	561	162
Out of school club	805	129	235	441	778	123	227	428	736	113	226	397
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	481	78	142	261	481	78	140	263	484	71	147	266
of which: providing no additional childcare services	324	51	93	180	297	45	87	165	252	42	79	131
Playgroup	485	19	46	420	444	14	45	385	411	17	44	350
Other services	31	0	3	28	29	2	2	25	31	3	1	27
Total	9,687	1,825	6,588	1,274	9,624	1,795	6,625	1,204	9,486	1,755	6,615	1,116
Total (excluding Childminding)	4,184	1,825	1,085	1,274	4,084	1,795	1,085	1,204	3,957	1,755	1,086	1,116

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Percentages of services

	December 2008				December 2009				December 2010			
	Total active services	Of which:			Total active services	Of which:			Total active services	Of which:		
		Local authority	Private	Not for profit		Local authority	Private	Not for profit		Local authority	Private	Not for profit
Active childcare services by main service type:												
Childminding	5,503	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	5,540	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	5,529	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Children / family centre	141	65.2%	2.1%	32.6%	130	66.9%	2.3%	30.8%	134	66.4%	3.0%	30.6%
Creche	160	35.0%	35.0%	30.0%	148	34.5%	32.4%	33.1%	113	35.4%	31.9%	32.7%
Holiday play scheme	112	28.6%	16.1%	55.4%	95	30.5%	14.7%	54.7%	68	20.6%	16.2%	63.2%
Nursery	2,450	61.1%	29.6%	9.3%	2,460	60.5%	30.3%	9.1%	2,464	60.0%	31.0%	9.0%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	375	37.1%	46.7%	16.3%	387	35.1%	49.6%	15.2%	399	34.3%	50.9%	14.8%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,075	65.4%	26.5%	8.1%	2,073	65.3%	26.7%	8.0%	2,065	65.0%	27.2%	7.8%
Out of school club	805	16.0%	29.2%	54.8%	778	15.8%	29.2%	55.0%	736	15.4%	30.7%	53.9%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	481	16.2%	29.5%	54.3%	481	16.2%	29.1%	54.7%	484	14.7%	30.4%	55.0%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	324	15.7%	28.7%	55.6%	297	15.2%	29.3%	55.6%	252	16.7%	31.3%	52.0%
Playgroup	485	3.9%	9.5%	86.6%	444	3.2%	10.1%	86.7%	411	4.1%	10.7%	85.2%
Other services	31	0.0%	9.7%	90.3%	29	6.9%	6.9%	86.2%	31	9.7%	3.2%	87.1%
Total	9,687	18.8%	68.0%	13.2%	9,624	18.7%	68.8%	12.5%	9,486	18.5%	69.7%	11.8%
Total (excluding Childminding)	4,184	43.6%	25.9%	30.4%	4,084	44.0%	26.6%	29.5%	3,957	44.4%	27.4%	28.2%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

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Table 3: Number of active registered childcare services by urban-rural category, deprivation category and management sector, as at December 2010

Number of services

	Total active childcare services		Number of childcare services by main service type (as at December 2010)							
			Childminding	Children / family centre	creche	holiday play scheme	nursery	Out of school club	playgroup	Other services
Urban-rural category:										
Large Urban Areas	2,752	1,369	1,383	76	57	25	819	305	74	13
Other Urban Areas	3,132	1,123	2,009	39	34	27	691	227	95	10
Accessible Small Towns	999	338	661	11	10	5	200	64	46	2
Remote Small Towns	456	172	284	4	2	8	97	19	37	5
Accessible Rural	1,400	569	831	1	7	2	361	96	101	1
Remote Rural	747	386	361	3	3	1	296	25	58	0
Scotland	9,486	3,957	5,529	134	113	68	2,464	736	411	31
SIMD category:										
1 - most deprived	579	376	203	47	19	10	209	82	6	3
2	738	393	345	26	22	14	235	73	19	4
3	794	358	436	15	23	6	228	59	25	2
4	901	389	512	12	12	7	251	72	33	2
5	1,024	449	575	9	4	8	299	81	42	6
6	1,014	426	588	7	8	2	298	67	44	0
7	1,134	441	693	4	10	3	288	71	58	7
8	1,177	438	739	7	4	7	261	85	70	4
9	1,130	321	809	3	6	5	173	66	66	2
10 - least deprived	995	366	629	4	5	6	222	80	48	1
Scotland	9,486	3,957	5,529	134	113	68	2,464	736	411	31
Management sector:										
Local Authority	1,755	1,755	0	89	40	14	1,479	113	17	3
Private	6,615	1,086	5,529	4	36	11	764	226	44	1
Not For Profit	1,116	1,116	0	41	37	43	221	397	350	27
Scotland	9,486	3,957	5,529	134	113	68	2,464	736	411	31

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Table 4: Number of active registered childcare services per 10,000 head of population - by urban-rural category and deprivation category, as at December 2010

Number of services per 10,000 head of population aged 0-15yrs

	Population aged 0-15	Number of childcare services per 10,000 head of population, by main service type (as at December 2010)									
		Total active childcare services	Total active childcare services excluding childminding	Childminding	Children / family centre	creche	holiday play scheme	nursery	Out of school club	playgroup	Other services
<u>Urban-rural category:</u>											
Large Urban Areas	337,395	81.6	40.6	41.0	2.3	1.7	0.7	24.3	9.0	2.2	0.4
Other Urban Areas	288,625	108.5	38.9	69.6	1.4	1.2	0.9	23.9	7.9	3.3	0.3
Accessible Small Towns	79,588	125.5	42.5	83.1	1.4	1.3	0.6	25.1	8.0	5.8	0.3
Remote Small Towns	33,282	137.0	51.7	85.3	1.2	0.6	2.4	29.1	5.7	11.1	1.5
Accessible Rural	116,054	120.6	49.0	71.6	0.1	0.6	0.2	31.1	8.3	8.7	0.1
Remote Rural	56,850	131.4	67.9	63.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	52.1	4.4	10.2	0.0
Scotland	911,794	104.0	43.4	60.6	1.5	1.2	0.7	27.0	8.1	4.5	0.3
<u>SIMD category:</u>											
1 - most deprived	100,075	57.9	37.6	20.3	4.7	1.9	1.0	20.9	8.2	0.6	0.3
2	94,008	78.5	41.8	36.7	2.8	2.3	1.5	25.0	7.8	2.0	0.4
3	87,033	91.2	41.1	50.1	1.7	2.6	0.7	26.2	6.8	2.9	0.2
4	86,192	104.5	45.1	59.4	1.4	1.4	0.8	29.1	8.4	3.8	0.2
5	87,328	117.3	51.4	65.8	1.0	0.5	0.9	34.2	9.3	4.8	0.7
6	87,107	116.4	48.9	67.5	0.8	0.9	0.2	34.2	7.7	5.1	0.0
7	90,920	124.7	48.5	76.2	0.4	1.1	0.3	31.7	7.8	6.4	0.8
8	95,356	123.4	45.9	77.5	0.7	0.4	0.7	27.4	8.9	7.3	0.4
9	93,578	120.8	34.3	86.5	0.3	0.6	0.5	18.5	7.1	7.1	0.2
10 - least deprived	90,197	110.3	40.6	69.7	0.4	0.6	0.7	24.6	8.9	5.3	0.1
Scotland	911,794	104.0	43.4	60.6	1.5	1.2	0.7	27.0	8.1	4.5	0.3

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland mid-year population estimates.

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Table 5: Number of children attending registered childcare services during the last full week of November, by main type of service, November 2008 to November 2010

Estimated number of children attending childcare services during the last full week of November

	Estimated number of children attending childcare services			Average number of children attending per service			Number of children attending as estimated percentage of population aged 0-15 yrs old		
	Nov-08	Nov-09	Nov-10	Nov-08	Nov-09	Nov-10	Nov-08	Nov-09	Nov-10
<u>Active childcare services by main service type:</u>									
Childminding	27,070	28,050	28,020	4.9	5.1	5.1	3.0%	3.1%	3.1%
Children / family centre	8,930	8,300	8,960	63.3	63.8	66.9	1.0%	0.9%	1.0%
Creche	8,430	7,720	5,620	52.7	52.2	49.7	0.9%	0.8%	0.6%
Holiday play scheme	2,440	2,010	1,260	21.8	21.2	18.5	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%
Nursery	126,720	128,510	129,630	51.7	52.2	52.6	13.9%	14.1%	14.2%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	28,190	29,350	28,300	75.2	75.8	70.9	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	98,530	99,150	101,330	47.5	47.8	49.1	10.8%	10.9%	11.1%
Out of school club	38,020	35,880	34,310	47.2	46.1	46.6	4.2%	3.9%	3.8%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	25,450	24,590	24,590	52.9	51.1	50.8	2.8%	2.7%	2.7%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	12,580	11,290	9,710	38.8	38.0	38.5	1.4%	1.2%	1.1%
Playgroup	11,840	10,710	9,880	24.4	24.1	24.0	1.3%	1.2%	1.1%
Other services	540	340	600	17.4	11.7	19.4	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Total	223,990	221,510	218,280	23.0	23.0	23.0	24.5%	24.3%	23.9%
Total excluding Childminding	196,920	193,460	190,260	47.1	47.4	48.1	21.6%	21.2%	20.9%
population aged 0-15yrs:	913,530	912,340	911,790						
population aged 0-5yrs:	336,110	343,800	349,280						

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland mid-year population estimates

Notes:

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Note that whilst the population aged 0-15 has fallen overall from 2008 to 2010, the population aged 0-5 has actually risen. Therefore rises in attendances at services that focus mainly on under 5s (for example nurseries) may be partly due to this rise in the population of under 5s.

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Table 6: Number of children registered with a childcare service as at 31 December, by main type of Service, December 2008 to December 2010

Estimated number of children registered with childcare services as at 31 December

	Estimated number of children registered			Average number of children registered per service			Number of children registered as an estimated percentage of the population aged 0-15 yrs old		
	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10
<u>Active childcare services by main service type:</u>									
Childminding	31,460	30,960	29,530	5.7	5.6	5.3	3.4%	3.4%	3.2%
Children / family centre	9,280	9,280	10,240	65.8	71.4	76.4	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%
Creche	28,100	21,120	20,640	175.6	142.7	182.7	3.1%	2.3%	2.3%
Holiday play scheme	6,180	5,540	3,580	55.2	58.3	52.6	0.7%	0.6%	0.4%
Nursery	130,560	133,930	136,610	53.3	54.4	55.4	14.3%	14.7%	15.0%
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	29,590	31,560	30,300	78.9	81.6	75.9	3.2%	3.5%	3.3%
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	100,970	102,370	106,310	48.7	49.4	51.5	11.1%	11.2%	11.7%
Out of school club	45,650	43,610	42,150	56.7	56.1	57.3	5.0%	4.8%	4.6%
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	30,960	30,500	30,470	64.4	63.4	63.0	3.4%	3.3%	3.3%
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	14,690	13,110	11,690	45.3	44.1	46.4	1.6%	1.4%	1.3%
Playgroup	12,370	11,380	10,660	25.5	25.6	25.9	1.4%	1.2%	1.2%
Other services	670	530	850	21.6	18.3	27.4	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Total	264,290	256,340	254,260	27.2	26.6	26.8	28.9%	28.1%	27.9%
Total excluding Childminding	232,820	225,390	224,730	55.6	55.2	56.8	25.5%	24.7%	24.6%

population aged 0-15yrs:	913,530	912,340	911,790
population aged 0-5yrs:	336,110	343,800	349,280

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland mid-year population estimates

Notes:

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Note that a child registered with a service may not actually attend that service in a given week. Therefore the registration figures in this table are generally higher than the attendance figures in table 5

Note that whilst the population aged 0-15 has fallen overall from 2008 to 2010, the population aged 0-5 has actually risen. Therefore rises in registrations at services that focus mainly on under 5s (for example nurseries) may be partly due to this rise in the population of under 5s.

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Table 7: Number of capacity places of childcare services (maximum attendance at any one time) as at 31 December, by main type of Service, December 2008 to December 2010

Number of capacity places of childcare services as at 31 December (maximum attendance at any one time)

	Total capacity places (maximum attendance at any one time)			Average capacity places per service			Total capacity places as an estimated percentage of the population aged 0-15 yrs old		
	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10	Dec-08	Dec-09	Dec-10
<u>Active childcare services by main service type:</u>									
Childminding	31,550	32,000	33,010	5.7	5.8	6.0	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%
Children / family centre	7,120	6,740	7,060	50.5	51.8	52.7	0.8%	0.7%	0.8%
Creche	5,460	6,250	5,730	34.1	42.2	50.7	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%
Holiday play scheme	3,750	3,150	2,730	33.5	33.2	40.1	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
Nursery	101,090	103,110	103,640	41.3	41.9	42.1	11.1%	11.3%	11.4%
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	21,190	22,270	22,530	56.5	57.5	56.5	2.3%	2.4%	2.5%
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	79,900	80,840	81,120	38.5	39.0	39.3	8.7%	8.9%	8.9%
Out of school club	28,750	28,450	28,200	35.7	36.6	38.3	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%
<u>of which:</u> providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	18,660	19,110	19,840	38.8	39.7	41.0	2.0%	2.1%	2.2%
<u>of which:</u> providing no additional childcare services	10,090	9,330	8,360	31.1	31.4	33.2	1.1%	1.0%	0.9%
Playgroup	10,800	10,030	9,280	22.3	22.6	22.6	1.2%	1.1%	1.0%
Other services	270	290	280	8.7	10.0	9.0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total	188,770	190,000	189,920	19.4	19.7	20.0	20.7%	20.8%	20.8%
Total excluding Childminding	157,230	158,000	156,920	37.6	38.7	39.7	17.2%	17.3%	17.2%

population aged 0-15yrs:	913,530	912,340	911,790
population aged 0-5yrs:	336,110	343,800	349,280

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland population estimates

Notes:

Note that the capacity places figures relate to the maximum attendance at any one time. Therefore where a service provides for part-day or part-week attendance there may be more children attending this service over the course of a week than the total capacity figure. Similarly there may be more children registered for this service at a given point in time than the total capacity figure

Note that the capacity figure for childminders includes their own children where relevant

Note that whilst the population aged 0-15 has fallen overall from 2008 to 2010, the population aged 0-5 has actually risen. Therefore rises in the capacity of services that focus mainly on under 5s (for example nurseries) may be partly due to this rise in the population of under 5s.

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Table 8: Number of children attending a childcare service during the last full week of November 2010, by main type of service and age-group

Number of children

	Estimated number of children attending a service during the last full week of Nov-10								
	Total number of children	Under 1 Yr old	1 Yr old	2 to 3 yrs old	4 to 5 yrs old	6 yrs old	7 to 11 yrs old	12 yrs old and over	Unknown age
Active childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	28,020	1,080	3,680	8,240	5,720	2,270	6,450	460	130
Children / family centre	8,960	370	1,030	4,090	2,770	160	460	100	0
Creche	5,620	540	860	2,170	1,140	340	420	70	60
Holiday play scheme	1,260	0	10	70	140	180	520	340	0
Nursery	129,630	2,950	12,150	55,170	55,190	1,040	2,790	100	240
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	28,300	710	2,930	11,460	9,510	980	2,670	20	0
of which: providing no additional childcare services	101,330	2,240	9,220	43,710	45,680	60	120	80	240
Out of school club	34,310	0	30	190	5,220	5,560	21,860	1,090	360
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	24,590	0	30	180	3,690	3,970	15,820	850	60
of which: providing no additional childcare services	9,710	0	0	10	1,530	1,590	6,040	240	300
Playgroup	9,880	50	180	7,760	1,690	30	120	30	10
Other services	600	20	40	70	90	40	210	140	0
Total	218,280	5,020	17,970	77,770	71,960	9,620	32,820	2,320	790
Total excluding Childminding	190,260	3,940	14,290	69,530	66,240	7,350	26,370	1,870	670
population aged 0-15 yrs old	911,790	59,400	59,970	117,950	111,970	54,970	270,550	236,990	-

As percentage of the population aged 0-15yrs

	Estimated number of children attending a service during the last full week of Nov-10, as a percentage of the population aged 0-15								
	Total number of children	Under 1 Yr old	1 Yr old	2 to 3 yrs old	4 to 5 yrs old	6 yrs old	7 to 11 yrs old	12 yrs old and over	Unknown age
Active childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	3.1%	1.8%	6.1%	7.0%	5.1%	4.1%	2.4%	0.2%	-
Children / family centre	1.0%	0.6%	1.7%	3.5%	2.5%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	-
Creche	0.6%	0.9%	1.4%	1.8%	1.0%	0.6%	0.2%	0.0%	-
Holiday play scheme	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	-
Nursery	14.2%	5.0%	20.3%	46.8%	49.3%	1.9%	1.0%	0.0%	-
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	3.1%	1.2%	4.9%	9.7%	8.5%	1.8%	1.0%	0.0%	-
of which: providing no additional childcare services	11.1%	3.8%	15.4%	37.1%	40.8%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-
Out of school club	3.8%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	4.7%	10.1%	8.1%	0.5%	-
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	2.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	3.3%	7.2%	5.8%	0.4%	-
of which: providing no additional childcare services	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	2.9%	2.2%	0.1%	-
Playgroup	1.1%	0.1%	0.3%	6.6%	1.5%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-
Other services	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	-
Total	23.9%	8.5%	30.0%	65.9%	64.3%	17.5%	12.1%	1.0%	-
Total excluding Childminding	20.9%	6.6%	23.8%	58.9%	59.2%	13.4%	9.7%	0.8%	-

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Notes:

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Table 9: Number of children registered with childcare services, by main type of service and age-group, as at December 2010

Number of children

	Estimated number of children registered with a service as at Dec-10								
	Total number of children	Under 1 yr old	1 yr old	2 to 3 yrs old	4 to 5 yrs old	6 yrs old	7 to 11 yrs old	12 yrs old and over	Unknown age
Active childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	29,530	1,020	3,880	8,420	6,050	2,460	7,080	560	50
Children / family centre	10,240	420	1,140	4,710	2,980	200	670	100	10
Creche	20,640	1,480	2,490	6,350	4,850	1,900	3,330	170	70
Holiday play scheme	3,580	10	0	100	490	430	1,370	1,010	170
Nursery	136,610	3,240	12,750	58,280	57,660	1,120	3,080	120	370
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	30,300	820	3,130	12,210	9,950	1,090	2,960	40	100
of which: providing no additional childcare services	106,310	2,420	9,620	46,060	47,700	30	120	80	270
Out of school club	42,150	10	40	270	6,090	6,840	27,110	1,690	120
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	30,470	10	40	250	4,400	4,940	19,610	1,150	70
of which: providing no additional childcare services	11,680	0	0	20	1,690	1,900	7,490	540	40
Playgroup	10,660	70	230	8,400	1,740	30	140	40	20
Other services	850	30	40	90	90	60	330	210	10
Total	254,260	6,270	20,560	86,610	79,950	13,050	43,110	3,890	810
Total excluding Childminding	224,730	5,250	16,680	78,190	73,900	10,590	36,040	3,330	760

population aged 0-15 yrs old	911,790	59,400	59,970	117,950	111,970	54,970	270,550	236,990	-
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As percentage of the population aged 0-15

	Estimated number of children registered with a service as at Dec-10, as percentage of the population aged 0-15								
	Total number of children	Under 1 yr old	1 yr old	2 to 3 yrs old	4 to 5 yrs old	6 yrs old	7 to 11 yrs old	12 yrs old and over	Unknown age
Active childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	3.2%	1.7%	6.5%	7.1%	5.4%	4.5%	2.6%	0.2%	-
Children / family centre	1.1%	0.7%	1.9%	4.0%	2.7%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	-
Creche	2.3%	2.5%	4.2%	5.4%	4.3%	3.5%	1.2%	0.1%	-
Holiday play scheme	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%	0.8%	0.5%	0.4%	-
Nursery	15.0%	5.5%	21.3%	49.4%	51.5%	2.0%	1.1%	0.1%	-
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	3.3%	1.4%	5.2%	10.4%	8.9%	2.0%	1.1%	0.0%	-
of which: providing no additional childcare services	11.7%	4.1%	16.0%	39.1%	42.6%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-
Out of school club	4.6%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	5.4%	12.4%	10.0%	0.7%	-
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	3.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	3.9%	9.0%	7.2%	0.5%	-
of which: providing no additional childcare services	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	3.5%	2.8%	0.2%	-
Playgroup	1.2%	0.1%	0.4%	7.1%	1.6%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	-
Other services	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	-
Total	27.9%	10.6%	34.3%	73.4%	71.4%	23.7%	15.9%	1.6%	-
Total excluding Childminding	24.6%	8.8%	27.8%	66.3%	66.0%	19.3%	13.3%	1.4%	-

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Table 10: Number of children attending registered childcare services during the last full week of November 2010, by urban-rural category, deprivation category, and management sector

Number of children

	Estimated number of children attending childcare services during last full week of November 2010										population aged 0-15yrs
	All childcare services	All childcare services excluding childminding	Childminding	Children / family centre	Creche	Holiday play scheme	Nursery	Out of school club	Playgroup	Other services	
Urban-rural category:											
Large urban areas	85,940	79,560	6,370	5,300	3,240	700	51,340	16,540	2,200	240	337,400
Other urban areas	69,460	59,430	10,030	2,670	1,160	230	42,630	10,000	2,490	240	288,630
Accessible small towns	21,210	17,650	3,560	660	890	30	11,350	3,520	1,190	0	79,590
Remote small towns	8,270	6,770	1,510	150	120	110	4,560	640	1,070	120	33,280
Accessible rural	24,300	19,530	4,770	40	180	10	14,400	2,930	1,970	0	116,050
Remote rural	9,100	7,320	1,770	150	20	180	5,350	670	950	0	56,850
Scotland	218,280	190,260	28,020	8,960	5,620	1,260	129,630	34,310	9,880	600	911,790
SIMD category:											
1 - most deprived	21,520	20,670	850	3,190	950	190	13,250	2,870	190	30	100,080
2	21,940	20,410	1,530	1,810	1,120	350	13,740	2,900	420	80	94,010
3	20,610	18,500	2,110	1,110	970	90	13,420	2,250	590	80	87,030
4	20,200	17,850	2,350	650	440	70	12,570	3,260	820	40	86,190
5	21,700	18,780	2,930	610	260	210	13,650	3,060	840	150	87,330
6	20,640	17,500	3,130	390	480	0	12,760	2,890	980	0	87,110
7	21,580	17,910	3,670	350	590	0	12,120	3,520	1,210	110	90,920
8	25,110	21,330	3,780	240	240	220	14,660	4,110	1,780	80	95,360
9	19,740	15,520	4,220	450	320	10	9,650	3,300	1,770	20	93,580
10 - least deprived	25,240	21,790	3,460	150	250	120	13,790	6,150	1,290	20	90,200
Scotland	218,280	190,260	28,020	8,960	5,620	1,260	129,630	34,310	9,880	600	911,790
Management sector:											
Local authority	81,030	81,030	0	6,640	1,680	280	68,140	3,710	570	20	-
Private	95,580	67,560	28,020	280	2,630	180	51,440	11,780	1,250	0	-
Not for profit	41,670	41,670	0	2,050	1,310	800	10,050	18,820	8,060	580	-
Scotland	218,280	190,260	28,020	8,960	5,620	1,260	129,630	34,310	9,880	600	-

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Please see the additional Excel tables for a version of this table that contains a local authority split

Table 11: Average number of children attending per service (during the last full week of November 2010), by urban-rural category, deprivation category, and management sector

Average number of children per service

	Estimated average number of children attending per service, during last full week of November 2010									
	All childcare services	All childcare services excluding childminding	Childminding	Children / family centre	Creche	Holiday play scheme	Nursery	Out of school club	Playgroup	Other services
<u>Urban-rural category:</u>										
Large urban areas	31.2	58.1	4.6	69.7	56.8	28.0	62.7	54.2	29.7	18.5
Other urban areas	22.2	52.9	5.0	68.5	34.1	8.5	61.7	44.1	26.2	24.0
Accessible small towns	21.2	52.2	5.4	60.0	89.0	6.0	56.8	55.0	25.9	0.0
Remote small towns	18.1	39.4	5.3	37.5	60.0	13.8	47.0	33.7	28.9	24.0
Accessible rural	17.4	34.3	5.7	40.0	25.7	5.0	39.9	30.5	19.5	0.0
Remote rural	12.2	19.0	4.9	50.0	6.7	180.0	18.1	26.8	16.4	-
Scotland	23.0	48.1	5.1	66.9	49.7	18.5	52.6	46.6	24.0	19.4
<u>SIMD category:</u>										
1 - most deprived	37.2	55.0	4.2	67.9	50.0	19.0	63.4	35.0	31.7	10.0
2	29.7	51.9	4.4	69.6	50.9	25.0	58.5	39.7	22.1	20.0
3	26.0	51.7	4.8	74.0	42.2	15.0	58.9	38.1	23.6	40.0
4	22.4	45.9	4.6	54.2	36.7	10.0	50.1	45.3	24.8	20.0
5	21.2	41.8	5.1	67.8	65.0	26.3	45.7	37.8	20.0	25.0
6	20.4	41.1	5.3	55.7	60.0	0.0	42.8	43.1	22.3	-
7	19.0	40.6	5.3	87.5	59.0	0.0	42.1	49.6	20.9	15.7
8	21.3	48.7	5.1	34.3	60.0	31.4	56.2	48.4	25.4	20.0
9	17.5	48.3	5.2	150.0	53.3	2.0	55.8	50.0	26.8	10.0
10 - least deprived	25.4	59.5	5.5	37.5	50.0	20.0	62.1	76.9	26.9	20.0
Scotland	23.0	48.1	5.1	66.9	49.7	18.5	52.6	46.6	24.0	19.4
<u>Management sector:</u>										
Local authority	46.2	46.2	-	74.6	42.0	20.0	46.1	32.8	33.5	6.7
Private	14.4	62.2	5.1	70.0	73.1	16.4	67.3	52.1	28.4	0.0
Not for profit	37.3	37.3	-	50.0	35.4	18.6	45.5	47.4	23.0	21.5
Scotland	23.0	48.1	5.1	66.9	49.7	18.5	52.6	46.6	24.0	19.4

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland mid-year population estimates

Notes:

Note that children are counted once for each service that they attend.

All figures are rounded to the nearest 10 to express the uncertainty inherent in these estimates. For this reason, totals may not exactly equal the sum of their parts

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return information submitted in another year or from other information about the service for example their conditions of registration.

'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories

The figures presented in this table differ slightly from previous Scottish Government publications. This is due to differences in the data sources used and also because 'unknown' main service types can now be estimated for from information that the Care Inspectorate holds about each service. A more detailed explanation of this is given in the Technical Annex

Please refer to the Technical Annex for more detailed definitions of each main type of service

Please see the additional Excel tables for a version of this table that contains a local authority split

Table 12: Children attending childcare services (during the last full week of November 2010) as a percentage of the population aged 0-15yrs, by urban-rural category and deprivation category

As a percentage of the population aged 0-15yrs

	Estimated Number of Children Attending Childcare Services during last full week of November 2010 as percentage of population aged 0-15yrs old									
	All childcare services	All childcare services excluding childminding	Childminding	Children / family centre	Creche	Holiday play scheme	Nursery	Out of school club	Playgroup	Other services
Urban-rural category:										
Large urban areas	25.5%	23.6%	1.9%	1.6%	1.0%	0.2%	15.2%	4.9%	0.7%	0.1%
Other urban areas	24.1%	20.6%	3.5%	0.9%	0.4%	0.1%	14.8%	3.5%	0.9%	0.1%
Accessible small towns	26.6%	22.2%	4.5%	0.8%	1.1%	0.0%	14.3%	4.4%	1.5%	0.0%
Remote small towns	24.8%	20.3%	4.5%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	13.7%	1.9%	3.2%	0.4%
Accessible rural	20.9%	16.8%	4.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	12.4%	2.5%	1.7%	0.0%
Remote rural	16.0%	12.9%	3.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	9.4%	1.2%	1.7%	0.0%
Scotland	23.9%	20.9%	3.1%	1.0%	0.6%	0.1%	14.2%	3.8%	1.1%	0.1%
SIMD category:										
1 - most deprived	21.5%	20.7%	0.8%	3.2%	0.9%	0.2%	13.2%	2.9%	0.2%	0.0%
2	23.3%	21.7%	1.6%	1.9%	1.2%	0.4%	14.6%	3.1%	0.4%	0.1%
3	23.7%	21.3%	2.4%	1.3%	1.1%	0.1%	15.4%	2.6%	0.7%	0.1%
4	23.4%	20.7%	2.7%	0.8%	0.5%	0.1%	14.6%	3.8%	1.0%	0.0%
5	24.8%	21.5%	3.4%	0.7%	0.3%	0.2%	15.6%	3.5%	1.0%	0.2%
6	23.7%	20.1%	3.6%	0.4%	0.6%	0.0%	14.6%	3.3%	1.1%	0.0%
7	23.7%	19.7%	4.0%	0.4%	0.6%	0.0%	13.3%	3.9%	1.3%	0.1%
8	26.3%	22.4%	4.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	15.4%	4.3%	1.9%	0.1%
9	21.1%	16.6%	4.5%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%	10.3%	3.5%	1.9%	0.0%
10 - least deprived	28.0%	24.2%	3.8%	0.2%	0.3%	0.1%	15.3%	6.8%	1.4%	0.0%
Scotland	23.9%	20.9%	3.1%	1.0%	0.6%	0.1%	14.2%	3.8%	1.1%	0.1%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data. National Records of Scotland mid-year population estimates

Notes:

Note that children are counted once for each service that they attend.

All figures are rounded to the nearest 10 to express the uncertainty inherent in these estimates. For this reason, totals may not exactly equal the sum of their parts

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return

'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories

The figures presented in this table differ slightly from previous Scottish Government publications. This is due to differences in the data sources used and also because 'unknown' main service types can now be estimated for from information that the Care

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Please see the additional Excel tables for a version of this table that contains a local authority split

Table 13: Estimated proportions of childcare services that are providing local authority or partnership funded pre-school education, December 2008 to December 2010

Note that these figures are estimates only and are provided for the purpose of giving an indication of the proportion of pre-school education provision by type of main childcare service. For more detailed statistics on pre-school education, including overall numbers of centres and information on numbers of GTCS Registered Teachers, please see the Scottish Government National Statistics Publication "Summary Statistics for Schools in Scotland" at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Children/Pubs-Pre-SchoolEducation>

	Dec-08				Dec-09				Dec-10			
	Total number of active services	Estimated proportion of Services providing:			Total number of active services	Estimated proportion of Services providing:			Total number of active services	Estimated proportion of Services providing:		
Local authority pre-school education		Partnership funded pre-school education	No local authority or partnership funded pre-school education	Local authority pre-school education		Partnership funded pre-school education	No local authority or partnership funded pre-school education	Local authority pre-school education		Partnership funded pre-school education	No local authority or partnership funded pre-school education	
Main Service Type:												
Children / family centre	141	51%	11%	38%	130	56%	12%	32%	134	56%	11%	32%
of which: Local authority	92	78%	0%	22%	87	83%	0%	17%	89	85%	0%	15%
of which: Private	3	0%	73%	27%	3	0%	74%	26%	4	0%	77%	23%
of which: Not for profit	46	0%	29%	71%	40	0%	33%	67%	41	0%	30%	70%
Nursery	2,450	60%	31%	10%	2,460	58%	31%	11%	2,464	59%	32%	9%
of which: Local authority	1,497	97%	0%	3%	1,489	96%	0%	4%	1,479	98%	0%	2%
of which: Private	724	0%	78%	22%	746	0%	75%	25%	764	0%	76%	24%
of which: Not for profit	229	0%	82%	18%	225	0%	88%	12%	221	0%	89%	11%
Playgroup	485	3%	64%	33%	444	2%	63%	34%	411	3%	64%	33%
of which: Local authority	19	64%	0%	36%	14	70%	0%	30%	17	76%	0%	24%
of which: Private	46	0%	67%	33%	45	0%	60%	40%	44	0%	66%	34%
of which: Not for profit	420	0%	67%	33%	385	0%	66%	34%	350	0%	67%	33%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

Note that the pre-school education referred to in this table specifically relates to local authority or partnership funded pre-school education. There may be some services in the 'no local authority or partnership funded pre-school education' category which are providing other forms of pre-school education

Also note that some children may receive pre-school education in a different setting to their childcare service (for example if a child attends a private nursery for childcare but receives pre-school education in a separate local authority nursery). Therefore although there are some services in this table that are recorded as providing 'No local authority or partnership funded pre-school education', the children attending these services may be receiving pre-school education from another service that does provide local authority or partnership funded pre-school education provision.

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return

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Some data cleaning was undertaken to align the information given on type of pre-school provision with the actual management sector of the service. For example if a private nursery stated that they provided local authority pre-school education, then this was amended to be recorded as partnership pre-school education (on the basis that the service has stated that they provide pre-school education but potentially selected the wrong option for type of pre-school education)

Table 14: Age-groups that are provided for by registered childcare services, as at December 2010

Number of childminders

	Number of active childminders	age groups that are catered for:					
		Children aged under 1	Children aged 1	Children aged 2 to 4	Children aged 5 to 11	Children aged 12 to 15	All age groups
Childminders	5,529	4,784	5,050	5,352	5,190	2,725	2,515

Number of services

	Number of active childcare services	age groups that are provided for:						All age groups
		Children aged Under 2	Children aged 2	Children aged 3 to 4	Children aged 5 to 7	Children aged 8 to 11	Children aged 12 to 15	
Childcare services by main service type:								
Children / family centre	134	112	122	124	52	24	15	11
Creche	113	96	107	111	86	64	42	41
Holiday play scheme	68	1	2	10	62	61	57	1
Nursery	2,464	797	1,000	2,445	774	193	43	35
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	224	283	397	267	179	40	35
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	573	717	2,048	507	15	3	0
Out of school club	736	9	11	146	728	732	453	5
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	9	11	110	479	481	327	5
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	0	0	36	250	251	127	0
Playgroup	411	21	319	397	51	9	4	1
Other services	31	25	26	29	30	30	27	23
Total (excluding Childminders)	3,957	1,060	1,587	3,262	1,784	1,113	642	118

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return

'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories

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Table 15: Languages and service philosophies of childcare services, as at December 2010

Number of services

	Number of Active Childcare Services	Languagues Service Delivered In				Service Philosophies Used	
		English	Gaelic	British Sign Language	Other Language	Suzuki / Montessori	Steiner
<u>Childcare services by main service type:</u>							
Children / family centre	134	134	1	7	10	0	0
Creche	113	113	0	0	9	1	0
Holiday play scheme	68	68	0	1	13	0	0
Nursery	2,464	2,441	57	43	86	27	14
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	395	11	11	20	5	4
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	2,046	46	31	66	22	10
Out of school club	736	736	2	17	26	4	6
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	484	1	15	19	3	2
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	252	1	2	6	1	4
Playgroup	411	401	13	2	11	4	1
Other services	31	31	0	1	1	0	0
Total (excluding Childminders)	3,957	3,924	74	72	156	37	21

Percentages of services

	Number of active childcare services	Languagues Service Delivered In				Service Philosophies Used	
		English	Gaelic	British sign language	Other language	Suzuki / Montessori	Steiner
<u>Childcare services by main service type:</u>							
Children / family centre	134	100.0%	0.8%	5.3%	7.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Creche	113	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.2%	1.0%	0.0%
Holiday play scheme	68	100.0%	0.0%	1.6%	19.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Nursery	2,464	99.1%	2.3%	1.7%	3.5%	1.1%	0.6%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	99.0%	2.9%	2.9%	4.9%	1.3%	1.0%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	99.1%	2.2%	1.5%	3.2%	1.1%	0.5%
Out of school club	736	100.0%	0.3%	2.3%	3.5%	0.6%	0.9%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	100.0%	0.2%	3.1%	4.0%	0.7%	0.4%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	100.0%	0.4%	0.8%	2.6%	0.4%	1.7%
Playgroup	411	97.6%	3.2%	0.5%	2.7%	1.1%	0.3%
Other services	31	100.0%	0.0%	3.4%	3.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Total (excluding Childminders)	3,957	99.2%	1.9%	1.8%	3.9%	0.9%	0.5%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

"Other languages" includes a variety of foreign languages such as Polish and Urdu as well as communication languages such as makaton and sing-a-long

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'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other

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Table 16: School-term and school-holiday availability, by main type of childcare service, as at December 2010

Numbers of services

	Number of active childcare services	Estimated School-Term Availability							Estimated School-Holiday Availability					
		Breakfast or pre-school	During school Hours	After school hours	Late evenings (after 6.30pm)	Overnight stays	Weekends	Unspecified	Before 8am	During working hours	Late evenings	Overnight stays	Weekends	Unspecified
Childcare services by main service type:														
Childminding	5,529	5,191	5,365	4,691	686	971	519	0	3,180	5,169	730	146	426	0
Children / family centre	134	70	113	75	8	0	4	4	12	92	4	0	4	4
Creche	113	19	99	58	54	2	61	3	13	83	45	1	54	3
Holiday play scheme	68	0	1	8	4	0	14	8	0	59	3	0	7	8
Nursery	2,464	804	2,266	735	25	0	7	136	316	718	26	0	6	136
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	297	389	301	11	0	4	7	106	245	10	0	3	7
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	507	1,877	433	14	0	3	129	210	472	16	0	3	129
Out of school club	736	306	49	728	12	1	15	2	118	506	8	0	11	2
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	293	45	479	8	1	11	2	112	397	4	0	6	2
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	13	4	250	3	0	4	0	5	108	3	0	4	0
Playgroup	411	49	374	11	2	0	2	34	0	14	2	0	2	34
Other services	31	0	25	25	21	1	12	1	0	24	15	2	11	1
Total	9,486	6,438	8,291	6,331	812	976	635	189	3,639	6,665	833	149	521	189
Total (excluding Childminders)	3,957	1,247	2,927	1,640	126	4	116	189	459	1,495	103	3	95	189

Percentages of services

	Number of Active Childcare Services	Estimated School-Term Availability							Estimated School-Holiday Availability					
		Breakfast or pre-school	During school Hours	After school hours	Late evenings (after 6.30pm)	Overnight stays	Weekends	Unspecified	Before 8am	During working hours	Late evenings	Overnight stays	Weekends	Unspecified
Childcare services by main service type:														
Childminding	5,529	93.9%	97.0%	84.8%	12.4%	17.6%	9.4%	0.0%	57.5%	93.5%	13.2%	2.6%	7.7%	0.0%
Children / family centre	134	51.9%	84.0%	55.7%	6.1%	0.0%	3.1%	3.1%	9.2%	68.7%	3.1%	0.0%	3.1%	3.1%
Creche	113	16.5%	87.6%	51.5%	47.4%	2.1%	53.6%	3.1%	11.3%	73.2%	40.2%	1.0%	47.4%	3.1%
Holiday play scheme	68	0.0%	1.6%	11.5%	6.6%	0.0%	21.3%	11.5%	0.0%	86.9%	4.9%	0.0%	9.8%	11.5%
Nursery	2,464	32.6%	92.0%	29.8%	1.0%	0.0%	0.3%	5.5%	12.8%	29.1%	1.1%	0.0%	0.3%	5.5%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	74.5%	97.4%	75.5%	2.9%	0.0%	1.0%	1.8%	26.6%	61.5%	2.6%	0.0%	0.8%	1.8%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	24.5%	90.9%	21.0%	0.7%	0.0%	0.2%	6.2%	10.2%	22.9%	0.8%	0.0%	0.2%	6.2%
Out of school club	736	41.5%	6.7%	99.0%	1.6%	0.1%	2.0%	0.3%	16.0%	68.7%	1.0%	0.0%	1.5%	0.3%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	60.5%	9.3%	98.9%	1.7%	0.2%	2.2%	0.4%	23.2%	82.1%	0.9%	0.0%	1.3%	0.4%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	5.1%	1.7%	99.2%	1.3%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	2.1%	43.0%	1.3%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%
Playgroup	411	12.0%	91.0%	2.7%	0.5%	0.0%	0.5%	8.2%	0.0%	3.5%	0.5%	0.0%	0.5%	8.2%
Other services	31	0.0%	80.4%	80.4%	67.0%	3.4%	39.7%	3.4%	0.0%	76.9%	46.9%	6.7%	36.5%	3.4%
Total	9,486	67.9%	87.4%	66.7%	8.6%	10.3%	6.7%	2.0%	38.4%	70.3%	8.8%	1.6%	5.5%	2.0%
Total (excluding Childminders)	3,957	31.5%	74.0%	41.4%	3.2%	0.1%	2.9%	4.8%	11.6%	37.8%	2.6%	0.1%	2.4%	4.8%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:
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 'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories
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Table 17: Part-day / whole-day sessions and whether drop-in or planned, by main type of childcare service, as at December 2010

Numbers of services

	Number of active childcare services	Sessions available:			Drop-in or planned:	
		Whole-day only	Whole-day or part-day	Part-day only	Drop-in	Planned
Childcare services by main service type:						
Children / family centre	134	10	92	32	0	134
Creche	113	0	30	83	38	75
Holiday play scheme	68	40	17	11	0	68
Nursery	2,464	50	1,145	1,268	2	2,461
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	9	318	72	1	398
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	41	827	1,196	1	2,063
Out of school club	736	64	409	263	10	726
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	40	343	101	4	480
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	25	65	162	5	247
Playgroup	411	1	11	399	0	411
Other services	31	0	11	20	2	29
Total (excluding childminders)	3,957	166	1,715	2,075	52	3,904

Percentages of services

	Number of active childcare services	Sessions available:			Drop-in or planned:	
		Whole-day only	Whole-day or part-day	Part-day only	Drop-in	Planned
Childcare services by main service type:						
Children / family centre	134	7.6%	68.7%	23.7%	0.0%	100.0%
Creche	113	0.0%	26.8%	73.2%	34.0%	66.0%
Holiday play scheme	68	59.0%	24.6%	16.4%	0.0%	100.0%
Nursery	2,464	2.0%	46.4%	51.5%	0.1%	99.9%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	2.3%	79.6%	18.1%	0.3%	99.7%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	2.0%	40.0%	57.9%	0.1%	99.9%
Out of school club	736	8.8%	55.6%	35.7%	1.3%	98.7%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	8.2%	71.0%	20.8%	0.9%	99.1%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	9.8%	26.0%	64.3%	2.1%	97.9%
Playgroup	411	0.3%	2.7%	97.1%	0.0%	100.0%
Other services	31	0.0%	36.5%	63.5%	6.7%	93.3%
Total (excluding childminders)	3,957	4.2%	43.3%	52.4%	1.3%	98.7%

Source: Care Inspectorate Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

Note that for nurseries the overall figure of 51% for part-day sessions varies by management sector: Around 77% of local authority nurseries are part-day only, while only around 3% of private nurseries are part-day only

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return

'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories

Please refer to the Technical Annex for more detailed definitions of each main type of service

Table 18: Provision of meals and snacks, by main type of childcare service, as at December 2010

Numbers of services

	Number of active childcare services	Meals Provided:				Snacks Provided:			
		By the service only	By parents only	By both the service and parents	None	By the service only	By parents only	By both the service and parents	None
Childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	5,529	1,848	2,263	1,068	353	3,216	779	1,285	251
Children / family centre	134	62	23	12	37	113	6	7	8
Creche	113	12	15	0	86	72	19	7	15
Holiday play scheme	68	2	41	0	25	21	28	4	14
Nursery	2,464	599	303	159	1,403	2,258	17	129	61
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	150	102	49	99	340	3	45	11
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	449	201	110	1,305	1,917	14	84	50
Out of school club	736	16	76	1	643	648	14	64	10
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	13	65	1	405	426	10	47	1
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	3	11	0	238	222	4	17	9
Playgroup	411	1	16	0	394	388	12	10	1
Other services	31	0	4	0	27	14	1	0	16
Total	9,486	2,540	2,741	1,241	2,967	6,730	876	1,507	376
Total (excluding childminders)	3,957	692	478	173	2,614	3,514	96	221	125

Percentages of services

	Number of Active Childcare Services	Meals Provided:				Snacks Provided:			
		By the service only	By parents only	By both the service and parents	None	By the service only	By parents only	By both the service and parents	None
Childcare services by main service type:									
Childminding	5,529	33.4%	40.9%	19.3%	6.4%	58.2%	14.1%	23.2%	4.5%
Children / family centre	134	46.6%	16.8%	9.2%	27.5%	84.0%	4.6%	5.3%	6.1%
Creche	113	10.3%	13.4%	0.0%	76.3%	63.9%	16.5%	6.2%	13.4%
Holiday play scheme	68	3.3%	60.7%	0.0%	36.1%	31.1%	41.0%	6.6%	21.3%
Nursery	2,464	24.3%	12.3%	6.5%	57.0%	91.6%	0.7%	5.2%	2.5%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or an out of school club	399	37.5%	25.4%	12.3%	24.7%	85.3%	0.8%	11.2%	2.7%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	2,065	21.7%	9.7%	5.3%	63.2%	92.8%	0.7%	4.1%	2.4%
Out of school club	736	2.2%	10.3%	0.1%	87.3%	88.1%	1.9%	8.7%	1.3%
of which: providing additional childcare eg a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	484	2.6%	13.5%	0.2%	83.6%	88.0%	2.0%	9.7%	0.2%
of which: providing no additional childcare services	252	1.3%	4.3%	0.0%	94.5%	88.1%	1.7%	6.8%	3.4%
Playgroup	411	0.3%	4.0%	0.0%	95.7%	94.4%	2.9%	2.4%	0.3%
Other services	31	0.0%	12.9%	0.0%	87.1%	46.5%	3.4%	0.0%	50.1%
Total	9,486	26.8%	28.9%	13.1%	31.3%	70.9%	9.2%	15.9%	4.0%
Total (excluding childminders)	3,957	17.5%	12.1%	4.4%	66.1%	88.8%	2.4%	5.6%	3.2%

Source: SCSWIS Service-Lists and Annual Return Data

Notes:

Note that the provision of meals is to some extent likely to depend on whether the childcare service provides full-day or part-day sessions

The 'main service type' is based on information supplied by Day Care of Children Services in their Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return

'Other Services' includes services relating to Housing Support Daycare of Children (for example Women's Aid Centres), and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories
Please refer to the Technical Annex for more detailed definitions of each main type of service

Table 19: Characteristics of the active childminder workforce as at December 2010

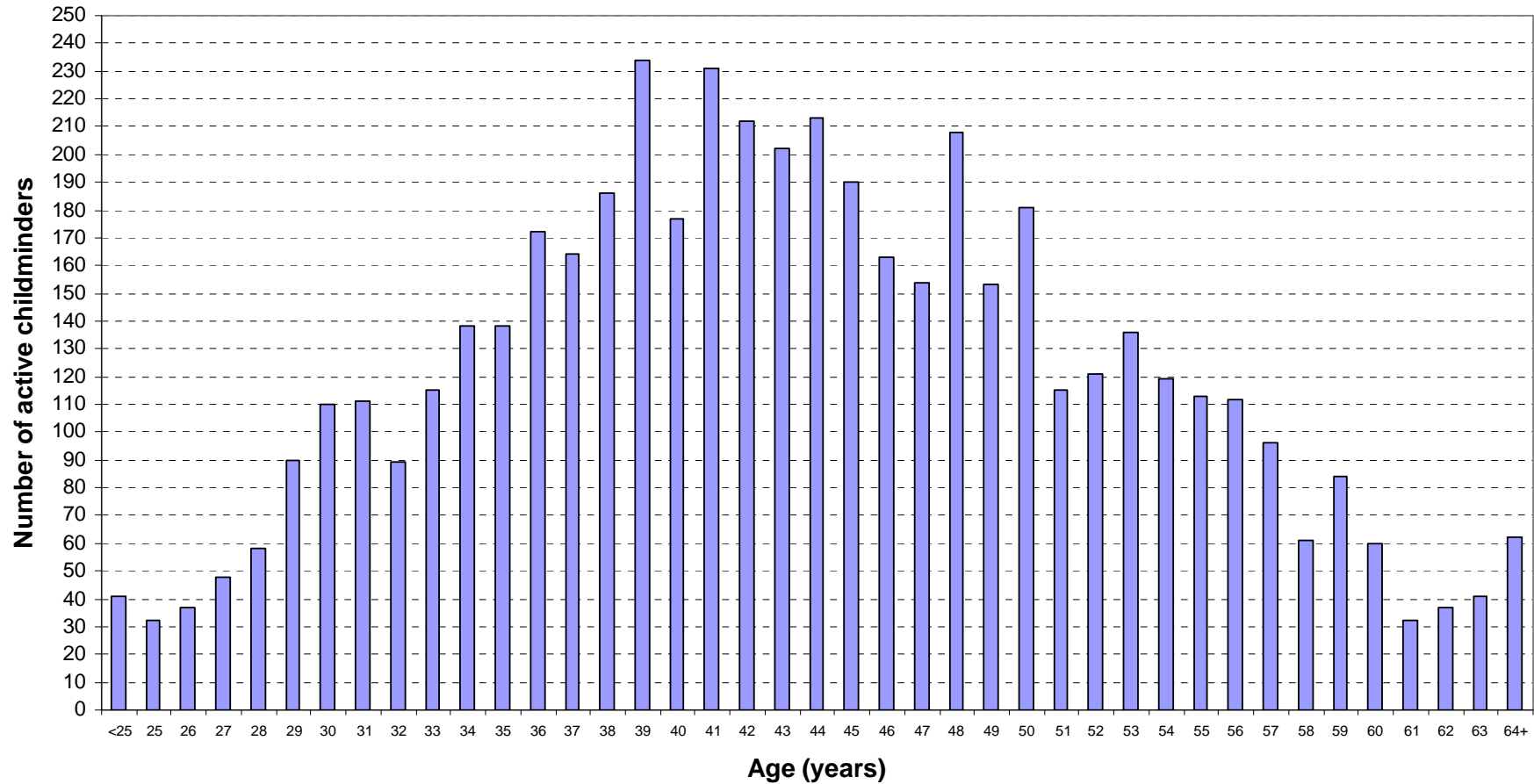
	Active Childminders as at December 2010	
	Number	Percentage of all
Total Active Childminders	5,529	100.0%
<u>Gender</u>		
Male	20	0.4%
Female	5,510	99.7%
Unknown	0	0.0%
<u>Age (years)</u>		
Under 25	50	0.9%
25 to 35	1,140	20.6%
36 to 45	2,160	39.1%
46 to 55	1,550	28.0%
Over 55	610	11.0%
Unknown	10	0.2%
Average (median) age	43 years	
<u>Ethnicity</u>		
White	5,150	93.1%
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	10	0.2%
Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British	20	0.4%
African, Caribbean or Black	0	0.0%
Other Ethnic Group	10	0.2%
Not Known / Disclosed	350	6.3%
<u>Typical Number of Hours Worked per Week</u>		
Less than 10	130	2.4%
10 to 19	370	6.7%
20 to 29	700	12.7%
30 to 39	1,400	25.3%
40 to 49	2,120	38.3%
50 or More	800	14.5%
Not Known	0	0.0%
<u>Number of Weeks Worked in the Past Year</u>		
0 to 20	480	8.7%
21 to 40	930	16.8%
More than 40	4,100	74.2%
Not Known	20	0.4%
<u>Number of Assistants</u>		
None	4,940	89.3%
One	480	8.7%
Two or more	110	2.0%
<u>Whether Qualifications are held or being worked towards</u>		
Yes	1,840	33.3%
No	3,690	66.7%
Not Known	0	0.0%

Notes:

There are an estimated 760 Childminder Assistants in total

Numbers have been rounded to the nearest 10 digits to express the uncertainty inherent in these figures

Chart2: Age profile of active childminders as at December 2010
 (based on 5,036 active childminders with a known age)



Technical Annex

1. Definitions Used

Childminding is defined by the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 as:

- Looking after one or more children on domestic premises for reward for a period of more than two hours in any day

However this does not include:

- Where children are closely related to the carer
- The fostering of children
- Caring for children in their own home

By law, all childminders must be registered with the Care Inspectorate.

Childminders may operate in several ways:

- An individual may operate a childminding service alone
- A partnership of two or more people may operate a single registered childminding service
- Childminding services that are separately registered may work together in the home of one of the registered childminding providers

No matter which of the operating methods is used, a provider of a childminding service may have paid or unpaid assistants to help provide the childminding service

Day Care of children is defined by the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 as:

- A service which provides care for children on non-domestic premises for a total of more than two hours per day and on at least six days per year. Includes nursery classes, crèches, after school clubs and play groups and can be run on a public, private or voluntary basis.

The definition does not include services which are part of school activities. Nor does it include activities where care is not provided such as sports clubs or uniformed activities such as Scouts or Guides.

For the purposes of this statistical report, each of the registered day care of children services has been assigned to one of the following categories of **main service provision**. This main service type is based on information supplied in Annual Returns. If a service did not respond to an Annual Return in a given year then their main type of service has been estimated by using Annual Return information submitted in another year or from other information about the service, for example their conditions of registration.

Main Service Type	Description
Children / family centre	Provides a similar service to a community nursery or nursery centre. Provides day care and education together with a range of support services for families
Creche	Provides "drop-in" care for children in order to enable adults to engage in activities such as further education,

	shopping or attending a meeting
Holiday play scheme	Provides a service which allows school age children to participate in a broad range of supervised leisure and educational activities during the school holidays (this does not include activity-based clubs).
Nursery	Provides daycare facilities for children aged 5 years or under. The service is normally used by parents/carers on a regular basis rather than a drop-in basis and the service is provided as a minimum during the school term
Nursery providing additional childcare such as a breakfast club or an out of school club	As above but where additional childcare (eg breakfast club or out of school club) is recorded as being provided
Out of school club	Provides care for school age children in the absence of parents or carers from the end of the school day until parents can collect their children, and also before school starts
Out of school club providing additional childcare such as a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	As above but where additional childcare (eg breakfast club or holiday play scheme) is recorded as being provided
Playgroup	Provides sessional care or daycare for children aged 5 or under. May also provide pre-school education in partnership with the local authority. Will usually rely heavily on parents or carers who volunteer their services, although may also employ paid staff for example a play-leader or assistant
Other services	Includes housing support related services eg womens' aid centres, and also services that cannot easily be assigned to one of the other categories (for example services providing for additional needs up to age 16 on a respite basis)

2. Data Sources

Care Inspectorate Service-Lists (as at start of January 2009, January 2010 and January 2011) have been used to provide figures on:

- the total number of registered 'Day Care of Children' and 'Childminder' services
- whether services were active or inactive
- whether services were run by local authority, private or not-for-profit

- the registered capacity of each service (i.e. the total number of children that can be cared for at any one time)
- the postcode of the service, from which we have derived the local authority, deprivation category and urban-rural category of the service

Care Inspectorate Annual Returns (as at end December 2008, December 2009, and December 2010) have been used to provide estimates for:

- the main service type, for example Nursery, Playgroup, Out of School Club etc
- the number of children using the service in the last week in November
- the number of children registered with the service as at 31 December
- the age-groups catered for and term-time / holiday-time availability of the service
- whether the service was available drop-in or planned and whole-day or part-day
- whether the service provided pre-school education as part of local authority or partnership provision
- whether meals or snacks were provided by the service or by the parents
- the languages and service philosophies used by services
- characteristics of childminders

The Annual Returns are collected primarily to assist with inspection purposes for individual services, however the data collected can also be aggregated up to produce summary tables and to provide a statistical overview of these services

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) 2009 has been used to assign a category of deprivation to the postcode location of each childcare service. Further information about the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation is available here: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/SIMD>

Scottish Government Urban Rural Categories have been used to assign an urban-rural category to the postcode location of each childcare service. Further information about the Scottish Government Urban-Rural Classification is available here: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/About/Methodology/UrbanRuralClassification>

3. Dealing with Missing Data

Not all childcare services have submitted an Annual Return to the Care Inspectorate. In addition, within each Annual Return there may be some sections of data which are incomplete or where data-input errors have been identified. This means that there are some gaps in the data which we need to take account of and be aware of.

Summary of Annual Return Dec-10 response rates:

Main Service	Response Rate Dec-10
Childminding	80%
Children/family centre	98%
Creche	84%
Holiday play scheme	85%
Nursery	96%

Out of school club	92%
Playgroup	91%
Other services	100%

For dealing with missing data, the following approach has been taken:

A. Data Cleaning. Where there have been any data-input errors or incomplete responses identified in relation to specific questions, these have been fixed where possible before any analysis has taken place.

B. Identification of under-representation in Annual Return responses. Within the responses of Annual Returns, it may be possible that some types of services are less likely to respond than other types of services. If this isn't adjusted for then the final results would likely to be biased towards the characteristics of services that had responded and therefore not representative of the entire set of registered services.

Logistic regression has been used to help establish specific characteristics of services that appeared to be significant factors in terms of the likelihood of non-response to an Annual Return. Over and above the main service type being a factor in response rates, the other factors for Dec-10 Annual Returns are summarised below (factors for previous years of Annual Return data are similar and further details are available on request):

Service Type	Factors associated with non-response to Annual Returns
Childminding	- Deprivation of service location - Capacity of service (number of children that can be cared for at one particular time) - Length of time the service has been operating - Local Authority area of service location
Children/family centre	- None (number of services too small to analyse)
Creche	- None (number of services too small to analyse)
Holiday play scheme	- None (number of services too small to analyse)
Nursery	- Whether the service was registered in the most recent year
Nursery providing additional childcare such as a breakfast club or an out of school club	- Whether the service was registered in the most recent year
Out of school club	- None
Out of school club providing additional childcare such as a breakfast club or a holiday play scheme	- Whether the service was registered in the most recent year
Playgroup	- None
Other services	- None (number of services too small to analyse)

Note: These are factors in addition to the Main Service Type factor (which is also a significant factor in determining likelihood of a response)

C. Grossing-Up data to obtain overall estimates. Weights were calculated for the significant factors associated with non-response. This is so we could adjust for the types of services that we knew were under-represented by a certain level in the Annual Return responses. We then applied the weights to each type of service in

grossing-up the Annual Return data. This has produced final estimates which should be more representative of the overall mix of different types of registered services.

D. Testing the impact of the use of weighting-factors. To help assess the impact of the use of the weighting-factors, some of the final results have been compared to estimates obtained from grossing-up without weights (i.e. ignoring any potential under-representation).

For the number of children attending a childminding service at end of November 2010, the weighted results (as used in the publication tables) produce an estimate of 28,020. This is lower than the non-weighted estimate of 28,460. This difference is as we would expect given that we know that lower-capacity childminders are on average less likely to complete an Annual Return. Therefore the non-responses (which we need to gross-up to take account of) are likely to include a greater proportion of the lower-capacity childminders, and so the use of weights to reflect this will produce an overall estimate which is lower than a simple non-weighted grossing-up would produce.

For childcare services excluding childminders, the weighted results (as used in the publication tables) produce an estimate of 190,260 children attending services. This is slightly lower than the non-weighted results of 190,420. This can be explained largely by differences in the response rates per main-type of service. In particular, creches and playgroups have lower response rates compared to Nurseries. Because creches and playgroups also have lower attendances per service on average when compared to nurseries, this means the weighted result is likely be lower given that we are grossing up a greater proportion of lower-attendance services within the set of non-responding services.

4. Limitations of the Data

For every table that contains Annual Return sourced data, there will be an element of uncertainty in the final results given that the Annual Return data has been grossed-up to deal with non-response.

For this reason, some of the tables contain figures which have been rounded to the nearest 10 digits.

The Annual Return figures should be treated as estimates and not exact values. When using any of the Annual Return estimates, some caution is needed in comparing exact figures between years given that the estimates may be based on a slightly different set of responses each year.

4. Comparability with previously published Scottish Government figures

Previous Scottish Government publications on Childcare are available from the following link:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Children/PubPreSchoolEdChildcare>

Sections 21 and 22 of the 'Background Notes' in the Scottish Government's 'Pre-School and Childcare Statistics 2010'

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2010/09/28130623/2>) provide some further details of the review of the Scottish Government Education Directorate statistical publications that took place during 2010.

As a result of this review, the Scottish Government proposed that it would no longer conduct its own Childcare and Childminders surveys. Since then the Care Inspectorate has been working closely with the Scottish Government to enable similar Childcare Statistics to be published in 2011 based on the Care Inspectorate Annual Returns data source.

Whilst there are some similarities in the questions that have been asked by both the Scottish Government Surveys and the Care Inspectorate Annual Returns, there will be some differences in how childcare services will have responded between the two data sources. This is due to a variety of factors including:

- Differences in data collected:
 - the time-points in the year in which services were asked for information
 - the range of questions that have been asked and the question wordings used
 - how some questions have been structured (for example orderings of drop-down menus)
 - the level of detail requested about service provision and usage information
 - where different services have responded to one data collection and not the other
- Differences in analysis and methodology:
 - how missing data is dealt with
 - the level of data cleaning that can be undertaken

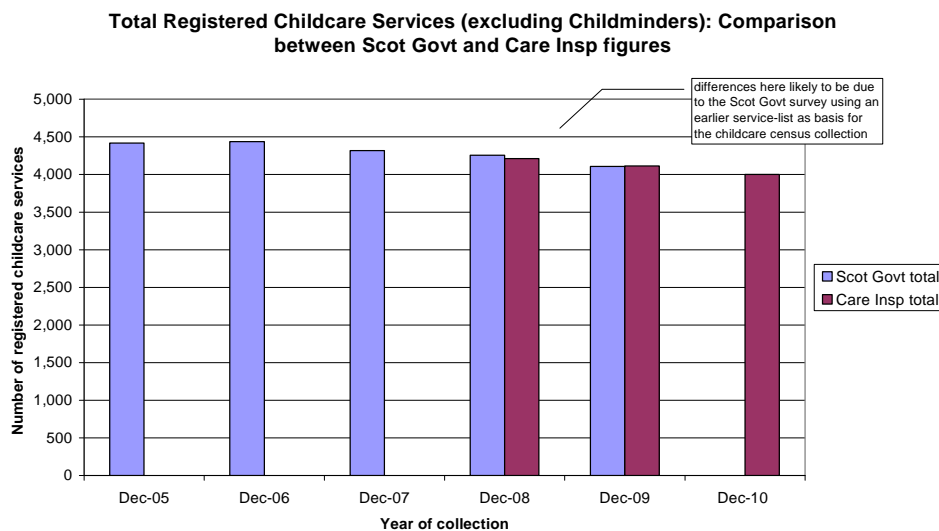
Nevertheless, we can still make an assessment of the broad comparability of trends over time for some key measures of childcare provision. We can compare Care Inspectorate as at Dec-08 Annual Returns with Scottish Government as at Jan-09 published figures, and compare Care Inspectorate as at Dec-09 Annual Returns with Scottish Government as at Jan-10 published figures. The main findings are as follows:

Number of Registered Services – Comparison between Data Sources:

The number of Care Inspectorate Registered childminders is an exact match for previously published Scottish Government figures as at Jan-09 and Jan-10. This is because the Scottish Government figures on numbers of childminders were based on Care Inspectorate service-list data.

The number of Care Inspectorate registered childcare services (excluding childminders) is not an exact match for previously published Scottish Government figures as at Jan-09 and Jan-10. The total number of services is likely to have differed slightly because of the differences in time-frames for establishing the number of registered services from the Care Inspectorate service-list (see chart A1 below).

Chart A1



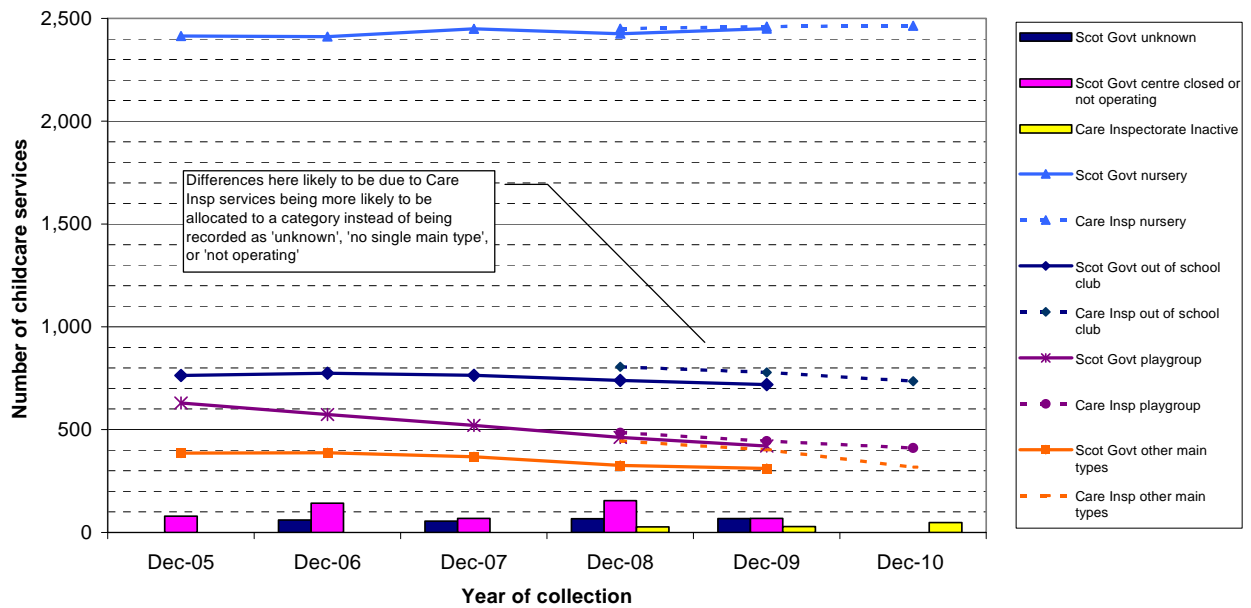
The number of Care Inspectorate Registered Childcare Services (excluding Childminders) by **main type** is also not an exact match for previously published Scottish Government figures as at Jan-09 and Jan-10. This is due to a variety of factors including differences in question design, but is mostly due to some differences in how some categories of main service type were treated:

- The Scottish Government figures contain categories for 'no single main service' and 'unknown', whereas the Care Inspectorate figures are generally able to be split into a main type for each service due to the level of information that is held for each service (for example details of the conditions of registration that is held for each service). This is likely to have increased the number of services in each Care Inspectorate category compared to the previous Scottish Government categories, because these services that can be identified with a main service type are now spread out amongst the categories rather than being in an 'unknown' type category
- The Scottish Government category for 'Centre closed or not operating' appears to contain a greater number of services when compared to the number of 'inactive' Care Inspectorate services. This may be because this Scottish Government category has been recording some seasonal services which whilst not operating in a given week might still be recorded as 'active' by the Care Inspectorate. This is likely to increase the number of services in each Care Inspectorate category (especially seasonal services such as holiday play schemes) when compared to Scottish Government categories.

See Chart A2 below for a visual comparison:

Chart A2

Numbers of childcare services by main type: Comparisons between Scot Govt and Care Insp figures



Note also that the Scottish Government Childcare Survey used to collect information from “Sitter Services”. The Care Inspectorate doesn’t collect similar service-provision information from these services to the same level of detail, and therefore these services (around 17 services per year) are excluded from this publication.

Number of Children Attending Services – Comparison between Data Sources:

The estimated number of children attending Childcare Services differs between the two data sources, although this is to some extent likely to be due to differences between the question wordings for this in addition to the differences in categories of main service as noted above. The Scottish Government surveys have asked for “number of children attending during census week, including children who were not present but who normally attend”. The Care Inspectorate Annual Returns ask for “number of children who actually used the service in the last full week of November”. Therefore the Scottish Government figures may be higher if these include any children who attend regularly but who were not attending in a given week.

Chart A3

Estimated Number of Children Attending: Comparisons between Scot Govt and Care Insp figures

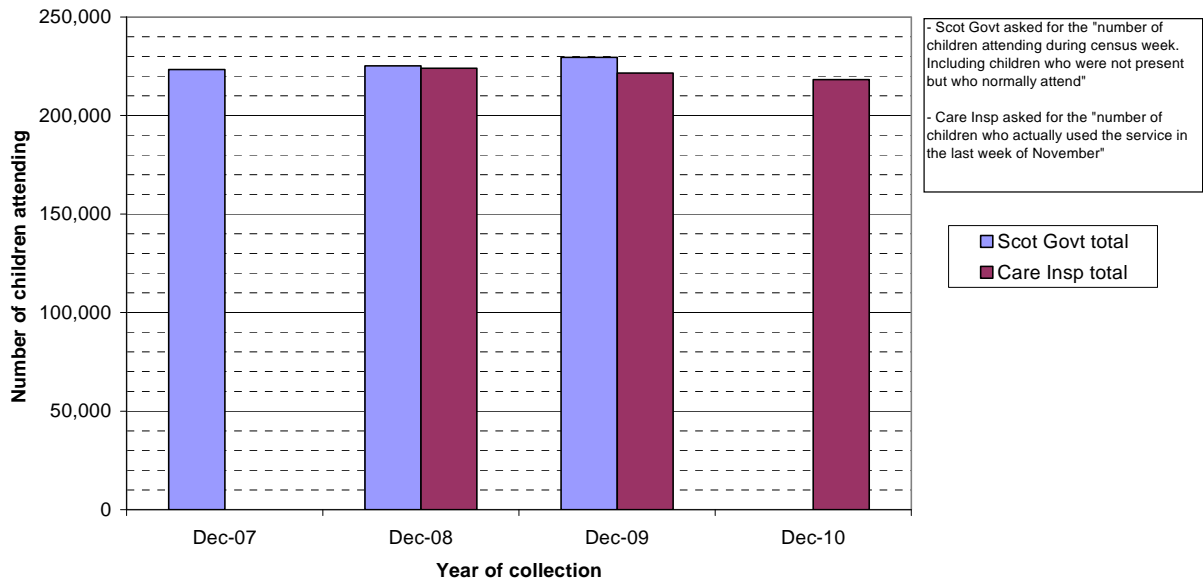
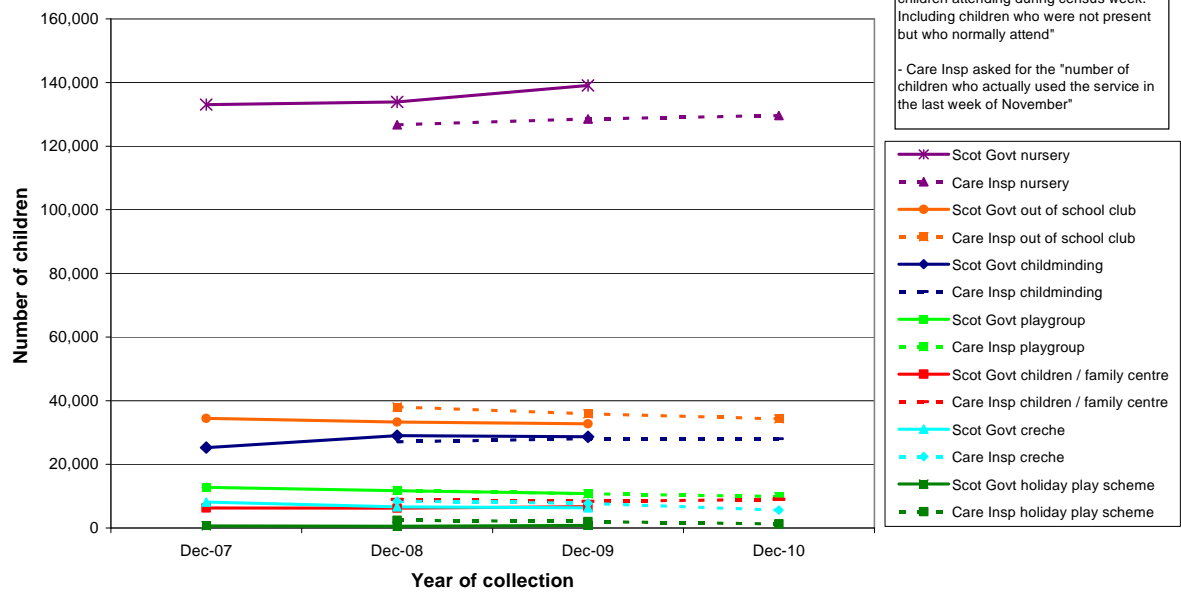


Chart A4

Estimated Number of Children Attending: Comparisons between Scot Govt and Care Insp figures



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6. Links to Other Related Statistics

Scottish Government statistics on Pre-School Education Statistics
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Statistics/Browse/Children/Pubs-Pre-SchoolEducation>

Scottish Social Services Council statistics on the Social Services Workforce
<http://ewd.sssc.uk.com/ewd/news/scottish-social-services-sector-workforce-data-report-2009.html>