

FOI_1067_2022-23 – FOI Request Concerning – Speech and Language

1. For the years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:
 - a) How many children were referred to Speech and Language Therapy services by primary schools, per school
 - b) Of these children, how many attended Speech and Language Therapy

2. How many children were referred to Speech and Language Therapy by secondary schools, per school
 - a) Of these children, how many attended Speech and Language Therapy
 - b) How long were the waiting time between referral and initial assessment

Please be advised that we do not consistently record referring school and therefore have provided this information based on age of child.

In these tables where this is classed as ‘Unknown’ the child has been opted out of data sharing under the national scheme, so we do not have visibility of the child’s date of birth in order to calculate their age at time of referral – but have included to give the full overview of referrals.

We have applied the assumption that aged 8 and under at time of referral was from a Primary School and 9 and over was from a Secondary School.

Referrals:

| Row Labels | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | Grand Total |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Primary | 634 | 427 | 660 | 604 | 2325 |
| Secondary | 155 | 114 | 178 | 151 | 598 |
| Unknown | 13 | 7 | 23 | 120 | 163 |
| Grand Total | 802 | 548 | 861 | 875 | 3086 |

Of which Attended an appointment:

| Row Labels | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | Grand Total |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Primary | 537 | 375 | 581 | 439 | 1932 |
| Secondary | 126 | 91 | 146 | 103 | 466 |
| Unknown | 10 | 4 | 18 | 66 | 98 |
| Grand Total | 673 | 470 | 745 | 608 | 2496 |

Waiting Times to first attended appointment:

| Row Labels | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | Grand Total |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Primary | 537 | 375 | 581 | 439 | 1932 |
| 1. Under 6 Weeks | 180 | 137 | 76 | 58 | 451 |
| 2. 7-12 Weeks | 199 | 107 | 83 | 68 | 457 |
| 3. 13-18 Weeks | 65 | 62 | 139 | 107 | 373 |
| 4. 19-26 Weeks | 35 | 27 | 137 | 119 | 318 |
| 5. 27-52 Weeks | 55 | 33 | 126 | 85 | 299 |
| 6. 52 Weeks + | 3 | 9 | 20 | 2 | 34 |
| Secondary | 126 | 91 | 146 | 103 | 466 |
| 1. Under 6 Weeks | 35 | 36 | 27 | 29 | 127 |
| 2. 7-12 Weeks | 52 | 21 | 29 | 22 | 124 |
| 3. 13-18 Weeks | 17 | 13 | 22 | 20 | 72 |
| 4. 19-26 Weeks | 12 | 9 | 38 | 16 | 75 |
| 5. 27-52 Weeks | 8 | 10 | 27 | 16 | 61 |
| 6. 52 Weeks + | 2 | 2 | 3 | | 7 |
| Unknown | 10 | 4 | 18 | 66 | 98 |
| 1. Under 6 Weeks | 1 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 16 |
| 2. 7-12 Weeks | 7 | 1 | 2 | 13 | 23 |
| 3. 13-18 Weeks | 1 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 24 |
| 4. 19-26 Weeks | | | 7 | 16 | 23 |
| 5. 27-52 Weeks | 1 | | 5 | 5 | 11 |
| 6. 52 Weeks + | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Grand Total | 673 | 470 | 745 | 608 | 2496 |