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Updating the Settlement with 2017 PLASC data

Summary

1. This paper provides analysis of the latest pupil numbers and eligibility for Free School Meals taken from the January 2017 Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC).
2. Tables 1 and 2 in Annex A compares the 2017 counts with 2016 for each Local Authority. Tables 3-5 in Annex A exemplify the impact of the updated data on the 2017-18 Total SSA.

Views sought

3. For information and discussion only.

Related Papers

4. *Distribution Sub-Group (2016) - Paper 16: Impact of the 2016 PLASC data*

Distribution Sub Group (2015) - Paper 21 - PLASC data collection and validation process alias

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 2017 PLASC with the previous year. At the Wales level, overall pupil numbers have increased by 2,352 pupils to a total of 420,724 pupils. The increase was primarily driven by Cardiff's figure of 704 pupils, followed by Rhondda Cynon Taff (344 pupils) and Swansea (307). There were decreases for Powys and Blaenau Gwent of 122 and 98 pupils respectively. Changes in percentage shares across Wales range from -0.05 per cent to 0.10 per cent.
9. At the sector level, nursery & primary school pupils increased by 2,073 pupils, whilst secondary pupils only increased by 279 pupils.
10. The main drivers of the increase in nursery & primary school pupils were Cardiff with an additional 486 pupils and Swansea with an additional 328 pupils. Powys recorded the largest fall of 109 pupils. The shift in pupils across Wales results in a fall in percentage share points for Powys (0.07 percentage points) and Neath Port Talbot (0.06 percentage points). At the other end, Cardiff's percentage share increased by 0.09 percentage points and Swansea's percentage share increased by 0.06.
11. The slight increase in secondary school pupils was primarily driven by Rhonda Cynon Taf with an additional 235 pupils and Cardiff with an additional 218 pupils. The largest falls in pupil numbers for secondary schools were seen in Blaenau Gwent (110 pupils) and Gwynedd (105 pupils). Blaenau Gwent and Gwynedd both saw decreases of 0.07 percentage share points. These decreases were offset by Rhondda Cynon Taf and Cardiff which both saw increases of 0.13 and 0.12 percentage share points respectively.

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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 2016 and 2017 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 1,885 pupils. In particular Caerphilly and Blaenau Gwent recorded reductions in the number of FSM pupils of 418 and 406 respectively. At the sector level higher decreases in eligibility for FSM was seen in nursery & primary schools pupils (1,128) compared to secondary schools pupils (757).
14. The largest decreases in eligibility for FSM for nursery and primary schools were seen in Blaenau Gwent (268), Caerphilly (208) and Flintshire (195). This results in a fall of 0.51 percentage share points for Blaenau Gwent, 0.33 for Flintshire and 0.28 percentage share points for Caerphilly. These were offset by gains in eligibility for Wrexham (98), Pembrokeshire (94) and Conwy (79). The shift in eligibility for FSM results in an increase of percentage shares for Wrexham, Pembrokeshire, Rhondda Cynon Taf and Conwy which increased by 0.32, 0.29, 0.28 and 0.25 percentage points respectively.
15. For secondary school pupils eligible for FSM, the shift in percentage shares across Wales results in falls in percentage shares for Caerphilly and Blaenau Gwent of 0.56 and 0.44 percentage points respectively. These falls are as a result of decreases in eligibility of 210 pupils for Caerphilly and 138 pupils for Blaenau Gwent. There were large gains in percentages shares for Cardiff of 0.55 percentage points and Swansea of 0.48 percentage points. The largest increases in eligibility for FSM were seen in Swansea (64), Pembrokeshire (58) and Cardiff (48).

Impact on the Standard Spending Assessment

16. Tables 3 – 5 in Annex A exemplify the impact of the 2017 PLASC on the 2017-18 Total SSA: (Table 3) updated pupil numbers only, (Table 4) updated free school meals only and (Table 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's shares increased by 0.03 percentage points (1.5m). Losses of 0.01 percentage points are seen for Blaenau Gwent, Powys, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire, Caerphilly and Conwy. For the Nursery & Primary school IBA, Cardiff illustrates the largest gain of £744 thousand, followed by Swansea with a gain of £526 thousand. Notable losses were seen for Powys and Neath Port Talbot at £587 thousand and £502 thousand respectively. Rhondda Cynon Taf and Cardiff show the largest increases in the Secondary school IBA at £846 thousand and £756 thousand respectively, or percentage share increase of 0.10 and 0.09 percentage points respectively. Notable decreases were seen for Gwynedd, Blaenau Gwent and Caerphilly illustrated by losses of £463 thousand, £461 thousand, £406 thousand respectively. This results in decreases in percentage shares of 0.06, 0.06 and 0.05 for Gwynedd, Blaenau Gwent and Caerphilly respectively.

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19. Table 4 shows that the latest data for free school meals results in a redistribution of Total SSA ranging from -£799 thousand for Blaenau Gwent to £635 thousand for Cardiff. In the Nursery & Primary IBA the largest increase in the redistribution would see an increase of £282 thousand for Wrexham and the largest decrease would see a reduction of £451 thousand for Blaenau Gwent. The differences in percentage share points range from -0.04 in Blaenau Gwent to 0.03 in Wrexham and Pembrokeshire. Cardiff illustrated the largest increase in the secondary school teaching and other services IBA with an increase of £411 thousand (0.05 percentage points), with Caerphilly showing a decrease of £423 thousand (0.05 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 -0.03 percentage points for Blaenau Gwent to 0.04 percentage points for Cardiff. The combined impact of higher primary school and secondary school pupil numbers drives a notable increase of about £2.17m in total SSA for Cardiff. This is offset by reductions of £1.38m for Blaenau Gwent and £1.07m for Caerphilly, driven by reductions in both primary and secondary pupil numbers, and the fall in pupils eligible for free school meals for both primary and secondary IBA's.

Conclusion

21. There are 2,352 more pupils overall in Wales in January 2017 compared with January 2016. There are widespread increases in primary and secondary school pupils, whilst there are variations for secondary schools, resulting in a small increase of 279 pupils.
22. The overall modelled distributional change to the 2017-18 SSA resulting from the latest data is an increase of £2.17m for Cardiff and decreases of £1.38m for Blaenau Gwent and £1.07m for Caerphilly. 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 2017-18 Settlement. The exemplifications do not account for any other changes in data that will be made for the 2018-19 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 2016/17 PLASC compared to 2015/16 PLASC

Local authority	Nursery & Primary schools ¹						Secondary schools ²						All pupils ³					
	2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference		2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference		2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference	
	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	5,517	2.1%	5,611	2.1%	94	0.02%	3,231	2.1%	3,233	2.1%	2	0.00%	8,748	2.1%	8,844	2.1%	96	0.01%
Gwynedd	9,539	3.6%	9,686	3.7%	147	0.03%	6,050	3.9%	5,945	3.8%	-105	-0.07%	15,589	3.7%	15,631	3.7%	42	-0.01%
Conwy	8,543	3.3%	8,581	3.3%	38	-0.01%	5,483	3.5%	5,435	3.5%	-48	-0.04%	14,026	3.4%	14,016	3.3%	-10	-0.02%
Denbighshire	8,350	3.2%	8,327	3.2%	-23	-0.03%	5,647	3.6%	5,698	3.6%	51	0.03%	13,997	3.3%	14,025	3.3%	28	-0.01%
Flintshire	13,208	5.1%	13,307	5.1%	99	0.00%	8,087	5.2%	8,102	5.2%	15	0.00%	21,295	5.1%	21,409	5.1%	114	0.00%
Wrexham	12,336	4.7%	12,443	4.7%	107	0.00%	5,907	3.8%	5,876	3.7%	-31	-0.03%	18,243	4.4%	18,319	4.4%	76	-0.01%
Powys	9,949	3.8%	9,840	3.7%	-109	-0.07%	6,328	4.0%	6,315	4.0%	-13	-0.02%	16,277	3.9%	16,155	3.8%	-122	-0.05%
Ceredigion	5,161	2.0%	5,098	1.9%	-63	-0.04%	3,467	2.2%	3,475	2.2%	8	0.00%	8,628	2.1%	8,573	2.0%	-55	-0.02%
Pembrokeshire	9,910	3.8%	9,985	3.8%	75	0.00%	5,774	3.7%	5,689	3.6%	-85	-0.06%	15,684	3.7%	15,674	3.7%	-10	-0.02%
Carmarthenshire	14,906	5.7%	15,065	5.7%	159	0.02%	9,689	6.2%	9,612	6.1%	-77	-0.06%	24,595	5.9%	24,677	5.9%	82	-0.01%
Swansea	20,075	7.7%	20,403	7.7%	328	0.06%	12,060	7.7%	12,039	7.7%	-21	-0.03%	32,135	7.7%	32,442	7.7%	307	0.03%
Neath Port Talbot	11,676	4.5%	11,608	4.4%	-68	-0.06%	7,401	4.7%	7,496	4.8%	95	0.05%	19,077	4.6%	19,104	4.5%	27	-0.02%
Bridgend	12,312	4.7%	12,426	4.7%	114	0.01%	7,532	4.8%	7,624	4.8%	92	0.05%	19,844	4.7%	20,050	4.8%	206	0.02%
The Vale of Glamorgan	11,942	4.6%	12,123	4.6%	181	0.03%	7,303	4.7%	7,365	4.7%	62	0.03%	19,245	4.6%	19,488	4.6%	243	0.03%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	20,849	8.0%	20,958	8.0%	109	-0.02%	12,942	8.2%	13,177	8.4%	235	0.13%	33,791	8.1%	34,135	8.1%	344	0.04%
Merthyr Tydfil	5,278	2.0%	5,286	2.0%	8	-0.01%	2,856	1.8%	2,854	1.8%	-2	0.00%	8,134	1.9%	8,140	1.9%	6	-0.01%
Caerphilly	15,851	6.1%	15,985	6.1%	134	0.00%	10,008	6.4%	9,924	6.3%	-84	-0.06%	25,859	6.2%	25,909	6.2%	50	-0.02%
Blaenau Gwent	5,697	2.2%	5,709	2.2%	12	-0.01%	3,019	1.9%	2,909	1.8%	-110	-0.07%	8,716	2.1%	8,618	2.0%	-98	-0.03%
Torfaen	8,240	3.2%	8,199	3.1%	-41	-0.04%	5,338	3.4%	5,367	3.4%	29	0.01%	13,578	3.2%	13,566	3.2%	-12	-0.02%
Monmouthshire	6,701	2.6%	6,764	2.6%	63	0.00%	3,937	2.5%	3,927	2.5%	-10	-0.01%	10,638	2.5%	10,691	2.5%	53	0.00%
Newport	14,078	5.4%	14,302	5.4%	224	0.04%	8,281	5.3%	8,339	5.3%	58	0.03%	22,359	5.3%	22,641	5.4%	282	0.04%
Cardiff	31,273	12.0%	31,759	12.1%	486	0.09%	16,641	10.6%	16,859	10.7%	218	0.12%	47,914	11.5%	48,618	11.6%	704	0.10%
Wales	261,391	100.0%	263,464	100.0%	2,073	0.00%	156,981	100.0%	157,260	100.0%	279	0.00%	418,372	100.0%	420,724	100.0%	2,352	0.00%

¹ Adjusted Nursery pupils & Primary pupils (maintained and EOTAS settings)

² Secondary pupils in years 7 to 11 (maintained and EOTAS settings)

³ Nursery & Primary Schools + Secondary Schools

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Table 2 - Free School Meals settlement indicators from 2016/17 PLASC compared to 2015/16 PLASC

Local authority	Nursery & Primary schools ¹						Secondary schools ²						All pupils ³					
	2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference		2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference		2016 PLASC		2017 PLASC		Difference	
	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares	Pupils	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	869	1.9%	863	1.9%	-6	0.03%	533	2.0%	509	1.9%	-24	-0.03%	1,402	1.9%	1,372	1.9%	-30	0.01%
Gwynedd	1,247	2.7%	1,218	2.7%	-29	0.00%	710	2.6%	659	2.5%	-51	-0.12%	1,957	2.7%	1,877	2.6%	-80	-0.04%
Conwy	1,351	2.9%	1,434	3.2%	83	0.26%	840	3.1%	808	3.1%	-32	-0.03%	2,191	3.0%	2,242	3.1%	51	0.15%
Denbighshire	1,539	3.3%	1,471	3.3%	-68	-0.07%	974	3.6%	943	3.6%	-31	-0.01%	2,513	3.4%	2,414	3.4%	-99	-0.05%
Flintshire	1,966	4.2%	1,764	3.9%	-202	-0.34%	1,118	4.1%	1,038	3.9%	-80	-0.19%	3,084	4.2%	2,802	3.9%	-282	-0.28%
Wrexham	1,914	4.1%	2,011	4.5%	97	0.32%	882	3.3%	884	3.4%	2	0.10%	2,796	3.8%	2,895	4.1%	99	0.24%
Powys	998	2.2%	1,065	2.4%	67	0.20%	638	2.4%	653	2.5%	15	0.12%	1,636	2.2%	1,718	2.4%	82	0.17%
Ceredigion	618	1.3%	566	1.3%	-52	-0.08%	358	1.3%	385	1.5%	27	0.14%	976	1.3%	951	1.3%	-25	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	1,507	3.3%	1,612	3.6%	105	0.32%	885	3.3%	949	3.6%	64	0.34%	2,392	3.3%	2,561	3.6%	169	0.32%
Carmarthenshire	2,492	5.4%	2,427	5.4%	-65	-0.01%	1,579	5.8%	1,440	5.5%	-139	-0.36%	4,071	5.6%	3,867	5.4%	-204	-0.14%
Swansea	3,835	8.3%	3,828	8.5%	-7	0.20%	2,206	8.2%	2,231	8.5%	25	0.33%	6,041	8.2%	6,059	8.5%	18	0.25%
Neath Port Talbot	2,591	5.6%	2,430	5.4%	-161	-0.21%	1,635	6.0%	1,643	6.2%	8	0.20%	4,226	5.8%	4,073	5.7%	-153	-0.06%
Bridgend	2,249	4.9%	2,173	4.8%	-76	-0.04%	1,312	4.8%	1,197	4.6%	-115	-0.30%	3,561	4.9%	3,370	4.7%	-191	-0.14%
The Vale of Glamorgan	1,492	3.2%	1,461	3.2%	-31	0.01%	959	3.5%	905	3.4%	-54	-0.10%	2,451	3.3%	2,366	3.3%	-85	-0.03%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	4,449	9.6%	4,458	9.9%	9	0.27%	2,595	9.6%	2,531	9.6%	-64	0.03%	7,044	9.6%	6,989	9.8%	-55	0.18%
Merthyr Tydfil	1,074	2.3%	1,009	2.2%	-65	-0.08%	614	2.3%	597	2.3%	-17	0.00%	1,688	2.3%	1,606	2.2%	-82	-0.05%
Caerphilly	3,379	7.3%	3,167	7.0%	-212	-0.28%	2,223	8.2%	2,008	7.6%	-215	-0.58%	5,602	7.6%	5,175	7.2%	-427	-0.39%
Blaenau Gwent	1,489	3.2%	1,233	2.7%	-256	-0.49%	797	2.9%	686	2.6%	-111	-0.34%	2,286	3.1%	1,919	2.7%	-367	-0.43%
Torfaen	1,501	3.2%	1,384	3.1%	-117	-0.18%	861	3.2%	926	3.5%	65	0.34%	2,362	3.2%	2,310	3.2%	-52	0.01%
Monmouthshire	730	1.6%	676	1.5%	-54	-0.08%	406	1.5%	427	1.6%	21	0.12%	1,136	1.5%	1,103	1.5%	-33	0.00%
Newport	2,607	5.6%	2,568	5.7%	-39	0.06%	1,516	5.6%	1,445	5.5%	-71	-0.11%	4,123	5.6%	4,013	5.6%	-110	0.00%
Cardiff	6,368	13.8%	6,297	14.0%	-71	0.19%	3,414	12.6%	3,434	13.1%	20	0.44%	9,782	13.3%	9,731	13.6%	-51	0.28%
Wales	46,265	100.0%	45,115	100.0%	-1,150	0.00%	27,055	100.0%	26,298	100.0%	-757	0.00%	73,320	100.0%	71,413	100.0%	-1,907	0.00%

¹ Adjusted Nursery pupils & Primary pupils (maintained and EOTAS settings)

² Secondary pupils in years 7 to 11 (maintained and EOTAS settings)

³ Nursery & Primary Schools + Secondary Schools

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Table 3 – Exemplification to show the impact of updated pupil numbers only on the 2017-18 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	23,821	2.4%	23,978	2.4%	157	0.02%	17,450	2.2%	17,435	2.2%	-15	0.00%	127,453	2.3%	127,598	2.3%	146	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,386	4.0%	40,609	4.0%	223	0.02%	31,536	3.9%	31,074	3.8%	-463	-0.06%	226,413	4.1%	226,169	4.1%	-245	0.00%
Conwy	33,751	3.3%	33,658	3.3%	-93	-0.01%	28,869	3.6%	28,639	3.5%	-230	-0.03%	207,919	3.8%	207,589	3.8%	-330	-0.01%
Denbighshire	32,923	3.3%	32,645	3.2%	-279	-0.03%	29,060	3.6%	29,224	3.6%	165	0.02%	185,620	3.4%	185,503	3.4%	-117	0.00%
Flintshire	51,014	5.0%	50,996	5.0%	-18	0.00%	41,307	5.1%	41,311	5.1%	4	0.00%	257,526	4.7%	257,511	4.7%	-15	0.00%
Wrexham	45,952	4.5%	45,980	4.5%	29	0.00%	30,673	3.8%	30,507	3.8%	-165	-0.02%	230,510	4.2%	230,371	4.2%	-140	0.00%
Powys	41,901	4.1%	41,313	4.1%	-587	-0.06%	32,968	4.1%	32,871	4.1%	-96	-0.01%	239,309	4.3%	238,610	4.3%	-698	-0.01%
Ceredigion	22,403	2.2%	22,078	2.2%	-325	-0.03%	17,843	2.2%	17,851	2.2%	8	0.00%	134,235	2.4%	133,911	2.4%	-324	-0.01%
Pembrokeshire	40,702	4.0%	40,691	4.0%	-11	0.00%	30,622	3.8%	30,226	3.7%	-397	-0.05%	219,607	4.0%	219,190	4.0%	-416	-0.01%
Carmarthenshire	62,079	6.1%	62,206	6.2%	128	0.01%	50,838	6.3%	50,462	6.2%	-376	-0.05%	335,323	6.1%	335,069	6.1%	-254	0.00%
Swansea	75,023	7.4%	75,549	7.5%	526	0.05%	61,545	7.6%	61,376	7.6%	-168	-0.02%	414,595	7.5%	414,960	7.5%	365	0.01%
Neath Port Talbot	46,042	4.6%	45,540	4.5%	-502	-0.05%	39,121	4.8%	39,449	4.9%	329	0.04%	262,581	4.8%	262,404	4.8%	-177	0.00%
Bridgend	46,310	4.6%	46,359	4.6%	50	0.00%	38,329	4.7%	38,644	4.8%	316	0.04%	248,593	4.5%	248,966	4.5%	373	0.01%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,676	4.3%	43,946	4.3%	270	0.03%	36,175	4.5%	36,372	4.5%	197	0.02%	216,807	3.9%	217,284	3.9%	477	0.01%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	80,574	8.0%	80,398	8.0%	-176	-0.02%	67,592	8.3%	68,438	8.4%	846	0.10%	442,518	8.0%	443,203	8.1%	684	0.01%
Merthyr Tydfil	19,754	2.0%	19,649	1.9%	-106	-0.01%	14,955	1.8%	14,927	1.8%	-28	0.00%	109,683	2.0%	109,547	2.0%	-137	0.00%
Caerphilly	61,388	6.1%	61,414	6.1%	26	0.00%	53,097	6.6%	52,691	6.5%	-406	-0.05%	333,301	6.1%	332,913	6.0%	-388	-0.01%
Blaenau Gwent	22,456	2.2%	22,352	2.2%	-104	-0.01%	16,641	2.1%	16,180	2.0%	-461	-0.06%	133,102	2.4%	132,525	2.4%	-577	-0.01%
Torfaen	30,494	3.0%	30,162	3.0%	-332	-0.03%	26,518	3.3%	26,597	3.3%	79	0.01%	166,924	3.0%	166,665	3.0%	-259	0.00%
Monmouthshire	26,588	2.6%	26,619	2.6%	31	0.00%	19,937	2.5%	19,869	2.5%	-68	-0.01%	143,880	2.6%	143,842	2.6%	-37	0.00%
Newport	51,111	5.1%	51,462	5.1%	351	0.03%	41,664	5.1%	41,839	5.2%	174	0.02%	274,653	5.0%	275,189	5.0%	537	0.01%
Cardiff	112,243	11.1%	112,987	11.2%	744	0.07%	83,309	10.3%	84,065	10.4%	756	0.09%	592,630	10.8%	594,163	10.8%	1,532	0.03%
Wales	1,010,589	100.0%	1,010,589	100.0%	0	0.00%	810,048	100.0%	810,048	100.0%	0	0.00%	5,503,184	100.0%	5,503,184	100.0%	0	0.00%

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Table 4 – Exemplification to show the impact of updated Free School Meals only on the 2017-18 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	23,821	2.4%	23,835	2.4%	14	0.00%	17,450	2.2%	17,398	2.1%	-52	-0.01%	127,453	2.3%	127,414	2.3%	-39	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,386	4.0%	40,385	4.0%	-1	0.00%	31,536	3.9%	31,450	3.9%	-86	-0.01%	226,413	4.1%	226,324	4.1%	-89	0.00%
Conwy	33,751	3.3%	33,969	3.4%	218	0.02%	28,869	3.6%	28,868	3.6%	-1	0.00%	207,919	3.8%	208,141	3.8%	221	0.00%
Denbighshire	32,923	3.3%	32,866	3.3%	-57	-0.01%	29,060	3.6%	29,009	3.6%	-51	-0.01%	185,620	3.4%	185,509	3.4%	-111	0.00%
Flintshire	51,014	5.0%	50,727	5.0%	-286	-0.03%	41,307	5.1%	41,165	5.1%	-142	-0.02%	257,526	4.7%	257,088	4.7%	-438	-0.01%
Wrexham	45,952	4.5%	46,233	4.6%	282	0.03%	30,673	3.8%	30,775	3.8%	102	0.01%	230,510	4.2%	230,902	4.2%	392	0.01%
Powys	41,901	4.1%	42,079	4.2%	178	0.02%	32,968	4.1%	33,025	4.1%	57	0.01%	239,309	4.3%	239,548	4.4%	240	0.00%
Ceredigion	22,403	2.2%	22,329	2.2%	-74	-0.01%	17,843	2.2%	17,883	2.2%	40	0.00%	134,235	2.4%	134,200	2.4%	-34	0.00%
Pembrokeshire	40,702	4.0%	40,957	4.1%	255	0.03%	30,622	3.8%	30,859	3.8%	237	0.03%	219,607	4.0%	220,109	4.0%	502	0.01%
Carmarthenshire	62,079	6.1%	62,078	6.1%	0	0.00%	50,838	6.3%	50,584	6.2%	-254	-0.03%	335,323	6.1%	335,062	6.1%	-260	0.00%
Swansea	75,023	7.4%	75,213	7.4%	190	0.02%	61,545	7.6%	61,905	7.6%	360	0.04%	414,595	7.5%	415,156	7.5%	562	0.01%
Neath Port Talbot	46,042	4.6%	45,851	4.5%	-191	-0.02%	39,121	4.8%	39,246	4.8%	125	0.02%	262,581	4.8%	262,515	4.8%	-67	0.00%
Bridgend	46,310	4.6%	46,272	4.6%	-37	0.00%	38,329	4.7%	38,127	4.7%	-201	-0.02%	248,593	4.5%	248,350	4.5%	-244	0.00%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,676	4.3%	43,688	4.3%	12	0.00%	36,175	4.5%	36,220	4.5%	45	0.01%	216,807	3.9%	216,866	3.9%	59	0.00%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	80,574	8.0%	80,818	8.0%	244	0.02%	67,592	8.3%	67,697	8.4%	105	0.01%	442,518	8.0%	442,875	8.0%	357	0.01%
Merthyr Tydfil	19,754	2.0%	19,679	1.9%	-76	-0.01%	14,955	1.8%	14,961	1.8%	6	0.00%	109,683	2.0%	109,613	2.0%	-71	0.00%
Caerphilly	61,388	6.1%	61,144	6.1%	-245	-0.02%	53,097	6.6%	52,674	6.5%	-423	-0.05%	333,301	6.1%	332,619	6.0%	-682	-0.01%
Blaenau Gwent	22,456	2.2%	22,004	2.2%	-451	-0.04%	16,641	2.1%	16,310	2.0%	-331	-0.04%	133,102	2.4%	132,303	2.4%	-799	-0.01%
Torfaen	30,494	3.0%	30,316	3.0%	-178	-0.02%	26,518	3.3%	26,630	3.3%	112	0.01%	166,924	3.0%	166,857	3.0%	-67	0.00%
Monmouthshire	26,588	2.6%	26,515	2.6%	-72	-0.01%	19,937	2.5%	19,906	2.5%	-30	0.00%	143,880	2.6%	143,775	2.6%	-105	0.00%
Newport	51,111	5.1%	51,176	5.1%	65	0.01%	41,664	5.1%	41,637	5.1%	-27	0.00%	274,653	5.0%	274,691	5.0%	39	0.00%
Cardiff	112,243	11.1%	112,454	11.1%	211	0.02%	83,309	10.3%	83,720	10.3%	411	0.05%	592,630	10.8%	593,266	10.8%	635	0.01%
Wales	1,010,589	100.0%	1,010,589	100.0%	0	0.00%	810,048	100.0%	810,048	100.0%	0	0.00%	5,503,184	100.0%	5,503,184	100.0%	0	0.00%

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Table 5 – Exemplification to show the combined impact of updated pupil numbers and FSM on the 2017-18 SSA

Local authority	Nursery & Primary school teaching and other services						Secondary school teaching and other services						Total SSA 2016-17					
	Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference		Based on 2016 PLASC		Based on 2017 PLASC		Difference	
	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares	£000s	Shares
Isle of Anglesey	23,821	2.4%	23,992	2.4%	171	0.02%	17,450	2.2%	17,383	2.1%	-66	-0.01%	127,453	2.3%	127,560	2.3%	107	0.00%
Gwynedd	40,386	4.0%	40,608	4.0%	222	0.02%	31,536	3.9%	30,987	3.8%	-549	-0.07%	226,413	4.1%	226,080	4.1%	-334	-0.01%
Conwy	33,751	3.3%	33,876	3.4%	125	0.01%	28,869	3.6%	28,637	3.5%	-232	-0.03%	207,919	3.8%	207,810	3.8%	-109	0.00%
Denbighshire	32,923	3.3%	32,587	3.2%	-336	-0.03%	29,060	3.6%	29,174	3.6%	114	0.01%	185,620	3.4%	185,393	3.4%	-227	0.00%
Flintshire	51,014	5.0%	50,709	5.0%	-304	-0.03%	41,307	5.1%	41,169	5.1%	-139	-0.02%	257,526	4.7%	257,073	4.7%	-453	-0.01%
Wrexham	45,952	4.5%	46,262	4.6%	310	0.03%	30,673	3.8%	30,610	3.8%	-63	-0.01%	230,510	4.2%	230,763	4.2%	253	0.00%
Powys	41,901	4.1%	41,491	4.1%	-410	-0.04%	32,968	4.1%	32,928	4.1%	-39	0.00%	239,309	4.3%	238,850	4.3%	-458	-0.01%
Ceredigion	22,403	2.2%	22,004	2.2%	-399	-0.04%	17,843	2.2%	17,891	2.2%	48	0.01%	134,235	2.4%	133,876	2.4%	-358	-0.01%
Pembrokeshire	40,702	4.0%	40,945	4.1%	243	0.02%	30,622	3.8%	30,463	3.8%	-159	-0.02%	219,607	4.0%	219,693	4.0%	86	0.00%
Carmarthenshire	62,079	6.1%	62,206	6.2%	127	0.01%	50,838	6.3%	50,208	6.2%	-630	-0.08%	335,323	6.1%	334,809	6.1%	-514	-0.01%
Swansea	75,023	7.4%	75,739	7.5%	716	0.07%	61,545	7.6%	61,736	7.6%	192	0.02%	414,595	7.5%	415,522	7.6%	927	0.02%
Neath Port Talbot	46,042	4.6%	45,349	4.5%	-693	-0.07%	39,121	4.8%	39,575	4.9%	454	0.06%	262,581	4.8%	262,337	4.8%	-244	0.00%
Bridgend	46,310	4.6%	46,322	4.6%	12	0.00%	38,329	4.7%	38,443	4.7%	114	0.01%	248,593	4.5%	248,723	4.5%	129	0.00%
The Vale of Glamorgan	43,676	4.3%	43,958	4.3%	282	0.03%	36,175	4.5%	36,417	4.5%	242	0.03%	216,807	3.9%	217,343	3.9%	536	0.01%
Rhondda Cynon Taf	80,574	8.0%	80,642	8.0%	68	0.01%	67,592	8.3%	68,543	8.5%	951	0.12%	442,518	8.0%	443,559	8.1%	1,041	0.02%
Merthyr Tydfil	19,754	2.0%	19,573	1.9%	-181	-0.02%	14,955	1.8%	14,933	1.8%	-22	0.00%	109,683	2.0%	109,476	2.0%	-207	0.00%
Caerphilly	61,388	6.1%	61,170	6.1%	-219	-0.02%	53,097	6.6%	52,268	6.5%	-830	-0.10%	333,301	6.1%	332,231	6.0%	-1,071	-0.02%
Blaenau Gwent	22,456	2.2%	21,901	2.2%	-555	-0.05%	16,641	2.1%	15,849	2.0%	-793	-0.10%	133,102	2.4%	131,726	2.4%	-1,377	-0.03%
Torfaen	30,494	3.0%	29,984	3.0%	-511	-0.05%	26,518	3.3%	26,709	3.3%	191	0.02%	166,924	3.0%	166,598	3.0%	-327	-0.01%
Monmouthshire	26,588	2.6%	26,546	2.6%	-42	0.00%	19,937	2.5%	19,839	2.4%	-98	-0.01%	143,880	2.6%	143,737	2.6%	-143	0.00%
Newport	51,111	5.1%	51,528	5.1%	417	0.04%	41,664	5.1%	41,811	5.2%	147	0.02%	274,653	5.0%	275,228	5.0%	575	0.01%
Cardiff	112,243	11.1%	113,197	11.2%	955	0.09%	83,309	10.3%	84,476	10.4%	1,167	0.14%	592,630	10.8%	594,798	10.8%	2,167	0.04%
Wales	1,010,589	100.0%	1,010,589	100.0%	0	0.00%	810,048	100.0%	810,048	100.0%	0	0.00%	5,503,184	100.0%	5,503,184	100.0%	0.00	0.00%

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>