

## How many Resourced Provisions and SEN Units are there?

There are three data sources which ostensibly show whether a school has a SEN Unit or Specialist Resourced Provision:

- [Schools, Pupils and their Characteristics](#) (csv)
- [Get Information About Schools](#)
- [School Capacity](#) - Specialist provision capacity in mainstream schools

However, each source returns a different number of schools with SEN units and SRPs: School Census records the fewest and GIAS the most.

### Number of schools with SEN units and SRPs

Source		Nursery	Primary	Secondary
Census	SEN Units	8	344	97
	SRPs	30	775	412
GIAS	SEN Units	15	504	145
	SRPs	61	1060	516
	SEN unit capacity	245	9571	5237
	SRP capacity	1550	17642	12543
Capacity	SEN Units		410	154
	SRPs		862	509
	SEN unit capacity		6931	3138
	SRP capacity		12944	10007

Given local authorities commission places in SRPs and SEN Units, perhaps we can place more faith in the data from the School Capacity return. This would suggest that there is under-recording of which pupils access SEN Units and SRPs in School Census. For GIAS, we might expect over-recording, e.g. not closing off a record when a unit closes.