

Table 16: Full-time equivalent support staff in local authority maintained schools and pupil referral units in England.
Years: January 1997, 2000 to 2008
Coverage: England

	(Thousands)									
	1997	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
NURSERY AND PRIMARY										
Teaching assistants										
Teaching assistants ¹	24.3	32.0	41.5	44.9	55.3	62.1	70.6	71.4	77.6	86.5
Special needs support staff	16.6	19.7	21.9	24.9	25.0	25.1	25.4	25.6	26.0	26.3
Minority ethnic pupil support staff	1.0	1.8	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.2
Total	41.9	53.4	65.5	71.8	82.3	89.2	97.9	99.0	105.8	115.0
Administrative staff										
Secretaries	14.9	15.8	15.8	14.8	13.6	15.7	13.9	16.7	16.7	17.6
Bursars	1.4	1.9	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.4	2.9	3.2	3.7	4.2
Other admin/clerical staff	3.1	3.8	4.7	6.7	8.0	6.5	8.9	6.7	7.2	6.6
Total	19.4	21.4	22.6	23.4	23.7	24.6	25.7	26.6	27.6	28.4
Technicians ^{2, 3}	-	-	-	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.7
Other Support Staff										
Matrons/nurses/medical staff ⁴	0.1	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Child care staff ^{5, 6}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other education support staff ^{7, 8}	14.3	17.6	19.9	26.5	20.2	18.8	19.0	26.7	27.7	27.1
Total	14.4	17.6	19.9	27.0	20.7	19.3	19.5	27.2	28.2	27.4
TOTAL NURSERY AND PRIMARY SUPPORT STAFF	75.7	92.4	108.0	122.8	127.6	134.1	144.5	154.4	163.1	172.6
SECONDARY										
Teaching assistants										
Teaching assistants ¹	-	-	-	4.7	6.9	9.4	13.9	17.6	19.9	23.1
Special needs support staff	7.7	12.2	15.2	14.4	14.9	15.5	15.6	15.4	15.2	14.1
Minority ethnic pupil support staff	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7
Total	7.8	12.5	15.5	19.5	22.3	25.3	30.0	33.5	35.7	37.8
Administrative staff										
Secretaries	11.1	12.8	13.2	9.4	9.8	11.5	13.0	13.3	13.9	16.2
Bursars	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.3
Other admin/clerical staff	4.0	4.1	5.4	11.5	11.5	12.4	14.0	16.4	18.1	17.0
Total	17.6	19.4	21.2	23.6	24.1	26.7	30.0	32.9	35.3	36.6
Technicians ^{2, 3}	12.6	13.9	14.8	15.6	16.6	18.2	19.9	21.0	21.5	21.9
Other Support Staff										
Matrons/nurses/medical staff ⁴	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Child care staff ^{5, 6}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other education support staff ^{7, 8}	3.8	4.7	6.3	9.3	9.1	10.4	12.4	16.0	18.9	20.7
Total	4.5	5.4	7.0	9.9	9.8	11.1	13.1	16.8	19.6	21.4
TOTAL SECONDARY SUPPORT STAFF	42.5	51.2	58.4	68.7	72.8	81.4	93.1	104.2	112.0	117.7
SPECIAL SCHOOLS										
Teaching assistants										
Teaching assistants ¹	10.5	12.5	13.3	6.1	9.4	10.4	10.5	12.4	12.6	13.7
Special needs support staff	..	..	..	7.0	5.9	5.3	6.4	6.1	6.7	6.7
Minority ethnic pupil support staff	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	10.6	12.7	13.4	13.2	15.3	15.7	17.1	18.6	19.4	20.5
Administrative staff										
Secretaries	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4
Bursars	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Other admin/clerical staff	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8
Total	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7
Technicians ^{2, 3}	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Other Support Staff										
Matrons/nurses/medical staff ⁴	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Child care staff ^{5, 6}	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.3	0.1	1.3	1.8	1.6	1.8	1.6
Other education support staff ^{7, 8}	0.3	0.6	0.9	3.3	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7
Total	2.3	2.4	2.7	5.0	3.3	4.4	4.7	4.6	4.9	4.8
TOTAL SPECIAL SUPPORT STAFF	14.7	17.0	18.3	20.6	21.0	22.7	24.4	26.1	27.3	28.4

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