Child protection plan and register statistics: UK 2012 – 2016

June 2017

Number of children on child protection registers or subject to a child protection plan at 31 March (or 31 July in Scotland)

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<td><strong>UK total</strong></td>
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Sources:

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Scotland


Available online at: [http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2017/03/6791](http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2017/03/6791)

Wales

Table 2 in Welsh Government (2017) Local Authority Child Protection Registers in Wales, 2016. [Cardiff]: Welsh Government.

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Please note:

- England, Wales and Scotland figures include unborn children
- Wales data has been rounded to the nearest 5 and England data to the nearest 10
- England, Wales and Northern Ireland count on 31 March. Scotland changed count to 31 July in 2011
- The compilation methods of the statistics can change from year-to-year and from nation-to-nation, so the figures are not always comparable.