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Overview

This handbook provides the information needed by All-Through schools in England to complete the School Census Spring 2019 Return, which takes place on Thursday 17 January 2019.

The School Census Spring Return is required to be completed by maintained Nursery schools, Primary schools, Middle schools, Secondary schools, All-Through schools, Special schools, Pupil Referral Units (PRUs), City Technology Colleges (CTCs) and Academies (including free schools) in England. Non-maintained Special schools are also required to submit the return.

Currently, there are three School Census returns each year (i.e. Spring, Summer and Autumn), which collect detailed information about school characteristics and pupil/student details, e.g. pupil/student address, free school meals, exclusions, etc. Different data is collected depending on which return is being prepared and your school phase.

A list of items collected from All-Through schools in England for the School Census Spring 2019 Return is available in a later section of this handbook.

NOTE: The contents of the graphics (dates, names, panel numbers, etc.) are examples only of what you might expect to see when using SIMS to produce the School Census Return.

How has the School Census Spring Return Changed?

Changes to the School Census Spring Return include the following:

- Census date 17/01/2019
- Attendance collected from the start of the 2018 Autumn term to 31/12/2018

The Attendance collected from date (located in the Census Details panel) is now read-only and displays the start date of the Autumn term as recorded in the School Diary (via Focus | School | School Diary).

- Exclusions collected from 02/04/2018 to 31/08/2018
- Free School Meal Eligibility collected from 05/10/2018 to 17/01/2019
- Learner Support collected from 01/08/2018 to 17/01/2019.

Receipt of Early Years Pupil Premium

The previously named Early Years Pupil Premium Eligibility grid (in the Early Years panel), has been renamed Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt and new Basis for EYPP Eligibility values are now available for selection.

Similar changes have been made to the report.



More Information:

Editing Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt on page 25

Removal of Alternative Provision Placement

Information related to Alternative Provision Placements has been removed from the return because the data is currently not required by the DfE.

Report Changes

Changes to the School Census reports include the following:

- Proficiency in English information has been removed from the On-Roll Basic Details report, as the information is no longer required by the DfE.
- The Absentees report is now based on pupil/students who have an absence rate of 10% or above. Previously the report was based on pupil/students who had missed 14 sessions.
- The SEN status S (Statement) has been removed from the SEN detail report header. This SEN status is no longer valid and therefore not collected in the return.
- The EYPPE report has been renamed EYPPR (Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt). The report now displays information applicable to pupils in receipt of Early Years Pupil Premium.
- The AP Placements report has been removed from the return because Alternative Provision Placement information is not required by the DfE.

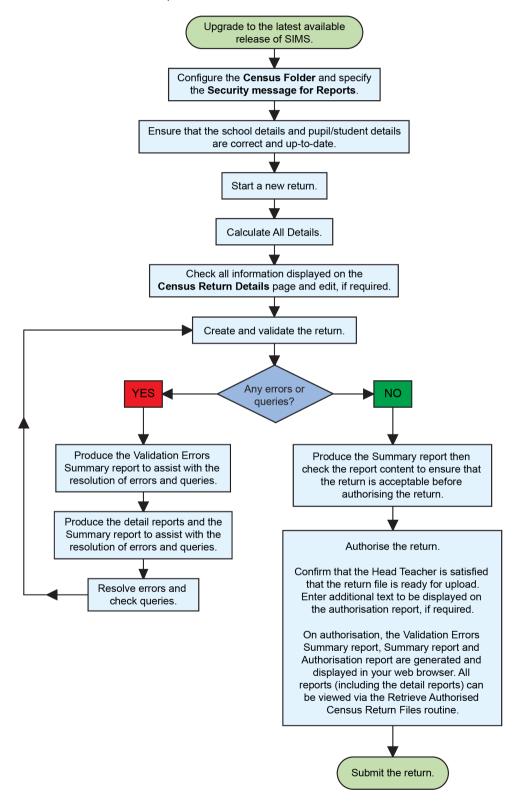


More Information:

Producing Detail Reports on page 54

Steps to Producing the School Census Return

The process of producing the School Census can be separated into a number of steps, some of which might need to be repeated in order to eliminate validation errors and queries.



Where to Find More Information

Online help can be accessed by pressing **F1** or clicking the applicable **Help** button in SIMS.

A wide range of documentation is available from the SIMS **Documentation Centre**, including handbooks, quick reference sheets and tutorials. Click the **Documentation** button (located on the top right-hand side of the SIMS **Home Page**), select the required category and then select the document you require. Alternatively, use the **Search** facility to locate the required document.

Documentation is also available from the My Account website (https://myaccount.capita-cs.co.uk).

- 1. Enter the required text in the **Search** field to display a list of documents that match the search criteria.
- To refine the search further, click **Documents** and then select the required **Document type**, **File type** and/or **Date** range (click **Show more** to view additional options, if required).

Alternatively, click **SIMS Publications** (located in the **Popular Searches** list) to display a list of all SIMS publications.

The search results are displayed automatically.

Tips for using the My Account Search Facility

Here are some key tips for using the search facility in My Account. For additional explanations, please refer to the My Account website.

NOTE: You no longer need to use + / - / "" when searching.

- Cut down on the amount of words that you type in the search field and only use key words, e.g. instead of typing student showing as a contact search for the word contact.
- Use the **Product Type** filter to refine results further.
- Use the advanced filters located on the left-hand side of the Search results page.

Additional Information

In addition to this handbook, a preparation guide that outlines how to prepare your data for the School Census, together with an Errors and Resolutions document that provides suggestions on how to resolve any validation errors or queries, are also available.

To access the School Census documents, please search for CENSUS19 in the SIMS **Documentation Centre** or My Account.

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Setting Permissions

The following permissions are applicable to users who deal with returns.

Running the Return

To produce the return, you must be a member of the Returns Manager or Returns Operator user group in System Manager.

Editing and Preparing Data

Users who edit and prepare data must have permissions to access additional areas of SIMS, e.g. pupil/student details, school details, etc. These users must be a member of the user groups applicable to the areas they are editing. For more information, please see Where to find More Information about Permissions on page 5.

Importing Revised Files

The Import Fileset functionality enables updates to the Validation Errors Summary and the Summary report (derived from files supplied by the Statutory Body), and detail reports (provided by SIMS), to be imported into SIMS between SIMS releases.

To use the Import Fileset functionality (via Tools | Setups | Import Fileset), you must be a member of any of the following user groups in System Manager:

- Returns Manager
- System Manager.

For more information about the Import Fileset functionality, please refer to the applicable preparation guide, available via the **Documentation** button on the SIMS Home Page or the My Account website (https://myaccount.capita-cs.co.uk).

Where to find More Information about Permissions

Please contact your System Administrator/Manager if you are not sure whether you have the required permissions. For more information, please refer to the Managing SIMS Users, Groups and Databases handbook.

An Excel spreadsheet describing the numerous permissions available in SIMS is available on the My Account website (https://myaccount.capita-cs.co.uk).

To find the spreadsheet, search for <sims version> sims permissions, e.g. 7.184 sims permissions.

What Version of SIMS is Required?

To run the return, you must have the SIMS 2018 Autumn Release (7.184) or later installed.

To check which version of SIMS is installed, open SIMS and then select **Help** | **About SIMS**. A dialog similar to the one shown in the following graphic is displayed.

The version should read 7.184 or later.



Preparing Data for the School Census Return

Before beginning the process of producing the return, it is advisable to spend time ensuring that all school level and pupil/student level information is present and accurate in SIMS. For example, ensure that school details are correct, all new pupil/students have been added to SIMS, all leavers have been recorded and where applicable all exclusions have been recorded, etc.

The following information is collected from All-Through schools for the School Census Spring 2019 Return.

School Level Data

- School Characteristics: LA number, DfE establishment number, school name, school phase, school type, highest and lowest national curriculum year, intake type, governance, school email address and telephone number.
- Admissions Appeals (if applicable, i.e. Academies, Voluntary Aided schools, etc.):
 - Infant: lodged, withdrawn, heard by independent admissions committee, upheld (decided in parents' favour) and rejected.
 - Primary: lodged, withdrawn, heard by independent admissions committee, upheld (decided in parents' favour) and rejected.
 - Secondary: lodged, withdrawn, heard by independent admissions committee, upheld (decided in parents' favour) and rejected.
- Pupil/Student Reconciliation: part-time pupil/students not at school, private study pupil/students, pupil/students at another school, pupil/students on work experience and pupil/students at Further Education (FE) colleges.

- Class Information: class name, number of teachers in class, number of adult non-teachers in class, class year group, class type, class key stage, class activity, number of pupil/students in the class from the host school and number of pupil/students in the class from other schools (quest pupil/students).
- Miscellaneous:
 - free school meals taken
 - childcare provision on site, signposted off site childcare provision, type of childcare (e.g. before school, after school, etc.), opening time and closing time, number of childcare places, childcare provider, other schools and number of weeks that the childcare provision is open.

Pupil/Student Level Data

- Pupil/Student Identifiers: unique pupil number (UPN) and former UPN, unique learner number (ULN), surname, forename, middle names, preferred surname, former surname, gender and date of birth.
- Pupil/Student Characteristics:
 - ethnicity, first language
 - free school meal eligibility start date and end date, UK country in which the eligibility applies, school dinner taken
 - Youth Support Services Agreement (YSSA) indicator, post looked after arrangements
 - service children in education indicator
 - top-up funding indicator, funded hours, extended childcare hours, 30 hour code, disability access fund indicator and hours at setting
 - early years pupil premium receipt (EYPPR) and early years pupil premium basis of funding (EYPPBF)
 - two year old basis for funding
 - learner support code.
- Pupil/Student Status: enrolment status, class type, date of entry, date of leaving, part-time indicator, boarder indicator and actual national curriculum year group.
- Special Educational Needs: SEN provision (formerly stage), SEN type ranking, SEN type for each SEN need, member of SEN unit (sometimes called special class) indicator and member of resourced provision indicator.
- Termly Exclusion Information (02/04/2018 to 31/08/2018): exclusion category, reason for exclusion, exclusion start date, actual number of sessions the pupil/student was excluded from and SEN provision.
- Pupil/Student Home Address: pupil/student's home address details, including post code and unique property reference number (UPRN).
- Termly Attendance Information (from the start of the 2018 Autumn term to 31/12/2018): possible sessions, sessions missed due to authorised absence, sessions missed due to unauthorised absence, reason for absence code and number of sessions missed.
 - For more information and instructions on all of the preparations that need to be carried out before the census return is produced, please refer to the appropriate Preparing for the School Census Spring 2019 guide.

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The preparation guide, together with other useful School Census documentation, is available from the SIMS Documentation Centre (accessed via the Documentation button, which is located on the top right-hand side of the SIMS Home Page) and on the My Account website (https://myaccount.capita-cs.co.uk).

To access the School Census documents, please search for CENSUS19 in the SIMS **Documentation Centre** or My Account.

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Creating a New School Census Return

Before creating a new School Census return, ensure that all pupil/student and school information is present and up-to-date in SIMS.

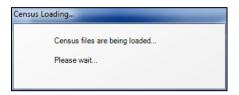
The School Census Spring 2019 Return collects data for:

- all pupil/students on the register on 17/01/2019 (census day).
- any additional pupil/students not on-roll on census day who:
 - were on-roll for at least one session during the collection period from the start of the 2018 Autumn term to 31/12/2018.
 - had an exclusion that started between 02/04/2018 (Easter Monday) and 31/08/2018.
 - were awarded Learner Support funding from 01/08/2018 to 17/01/2019.

The Census Folder and Security message for Reports must be specified before clicking the **New** button to create a new return.

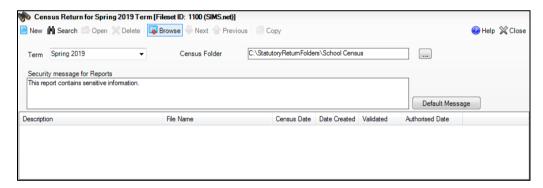
It is possible to create more than one return. This enables you to carry out dry runs to determine what data needs to be added or updated. Any unwanted returns can be deleted, providing they have not been authorised (please see Deleting an Unauthorised Return on page 68).

Select Routines | Statutory Returns | School Census to load the School Census validation and reporting files.



NOTE: The first time that the Routines | Statutory Returns | School Census menu route is selected during each SIMS session, there is a delay while the School Census files are loaded.

When the files are loaded, the Census Return for Spring 2019 Term browser is displayed.



By default, the **Term** field displays the appropriate term for the selected return, in this instance Spring 2019. The Fileset ID is displayed in the browser header for information only.

Ensure that the Census Folder is configured correctly and that the required Security message for Reports is specified, as described in the following sections.

Configuring the Census Folder

Before creating a return, the folder in which the return file will be saved must be specified.

IMPORTANT NOTES: Due to the sensitive nature of some of the data stored in SIMS, careful consideration must be given when specifying the location of any folder into which you save sensitive data, e.g. census returns, imported and exported CTFs, etc.

You should be mindful of your school's responsibilities with respect to information security. Consider which users have access to the chosen folder, especially if the folder is shared on a server. Please refer to the government website for more information about securing your information (https://www.gov.uk/service-manual/technology/securing-your-information). If you are in any doubt, you should consult with your IT Security Officer before proceeding.

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which replaces the Data Protection Act 1998, is a directive for certain safeguards regarding the use of personal data. It is important that schools process all data (not just the data collected for the school census) in accordance with the full requirements of the GDPR.

Further information on the GDPR can be found on the Guide to the General Data protection Regulations (GDPR) page of the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) website

(https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/quide-to-the-general-data-protectionregulation-gdpr).

Specify the folder where the return files are to be stored by entering the folder location in the Census Folder field.

Alternatively, click the **Browse** button to display the **Browse For Folder** dialog.





Navigate to the location of the required folder and highlight it. If a suitable folder does not exist, click the Make New Folder button and enter a suitable name for the new folder.

Click the **OK** button to select or create the folder and return to the browser. where the new folder name is displayed.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are changing the location of the folder, ensure that only authorised personnel have access to the new folder, as it will contain sensitive data. For more information, please see the important note at the beginning of this section.

Ensure that the **Security Message for Reports** is appropriate for your school.

Specifying the Security Message for Reports

At the bottom of the browser is a Security Message for Reports field, which contains text that will be displayed at the top of each report.

- The security message text defaults to This report contains sensitive information, but can be edited, if required.
- If any edits are made, you can click the **Default Message** button to revert to the default text.
- Click the **New** button to display the **Census Return Details** page.

Editing Census Details

The Census Details panel displays the following dates (most of which are read-only):

- The census date is displayed as 17/01/2019.
- Attendance data collected from the start of the Autumn term to 31/12/2018.

The **Attendance collected from** date displays the start date of the Autumn term as recorded in the School Diary (via Focus | School | School Diary).

- Exclusions data collected from 02/04/2018 to 31/08/2018.
- FSM (Free School Meal) data collected from 05/10/2018 to 17/01/2019.
- Learner Support collected from 01/08/2018 to 17/01/2019.



By default, the return **Description** is displayed as **School Census Spring** 2019 but can be edited, if required, e.g. to identify a dry run.

WARNING: Each description used must be unique. An error message is displayed if SIMS identifies a duplicate description.

A unique description also helps to identify the required return when viewed in the Census Return for Spring Term browser and can be particularly useful when creating dry runs or copies of existing returns.

Specifying the Selected Period on Census Day

The selected period on the census day is used in conjunction with the class information collected in the return. It is based on the last digit of the DfE establishment number and is the period on census day (as defined by the DfE) when your school should run the return.

NOTE: These times move down by one each year, i.e. a school using 'one hour before the end of morning school' last year will use 'one hour after the start of morning school' this year.

For more information about the selected period on census day, please refer to the School census 2018 to 2019 Guide (available via the School census autumn 2018 to summer 2019: quide for schools and LAs link) on the DfE website (https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-census-2018-to-2019guide-for-schools-and-las).

If different parts of the school use different timetable structures, e.g. the Primary part of a school has registration classes years 2 to 6 and the Secondary part of the school has timetabled classes years 7 to 13, the school should return class information for the timetable structure that applies to Key Stage 1. For example, if lunch is at midday for pupil/students following a primary timetable but at 1pm for pupils following a secondary timetable, the end of morning school should be taken to be midday and not 1pm.

By default, the lowest year on your school's timetable is displayed as the year taught in (YTI) when the timetable classes begin.

- If the required Reference Date is different to that displayed (e.g. because the school is closed on census day due to severe weather conditions), enter an alternative date or select a date from the Calendar.
- Ensure that the lowest year that you want to report as being on the timetable is displayed in the YTI when timetabled classes begin field. Select a different YTI from the drop-down list, if required.

Pupil/students in curriculum year groups below that displayed are assumed to be taught in non-timetabled classes, i.e. registration groups.

The example in the following graphic shows an All-Through school with no timetable for years 2 to 6 but where a timetable is set for years 7 to 13.



Select the Selected Period from the Period Name drop-down list. This is the period on census day that your school should run the return, as defined by the DfE.

NOTE: The **Selected Period** must be specified before you can **Calculate** All Details.

- If you want to Include Alternative Curriculum periods in the Classes panel, select the associated check box.
- Click the Calculate All Details button.

Calculating All Details

Clicking the **Calculate All Details** button extracts the required information from SIMS and displays the results in the applicable panels of the **Census Return Details** page.

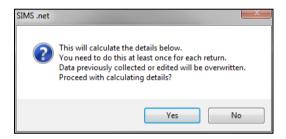
IMPORTANT NOTE: You must calculate all details at least once to populate the various panels for each return.

Do <u>not</u> use the **Calculate All Details** button more than once if you wish to keep any changes you have made. Clicking the **Calculate All Details** button overwrites any previously collected or edited data (in <u>every</u> panel where details are calculated automatically) with the data currently stored in SIMS.

Any details that are calculated automatically should be checked and edited, if required.

1. Click the Calculate All Details button.

A message advises that any existing data currently shown on the **Census Return Details** page will be overwritten.



Click the Yes button to calculate all details.

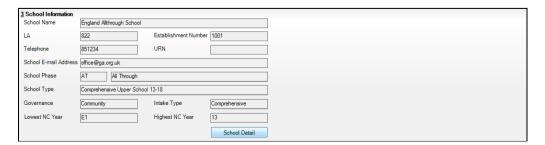
At this point, depending on the number of pupil/students in the school, there may be a short delay while details are calculated. The applicable panels on the **Census Return Details** page are then populated with data.

3. The return can be saved at any point by clicking the **Save** button.

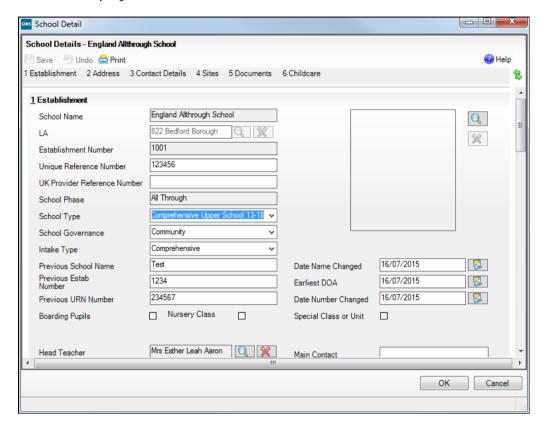
Editing School Information

The **School Information** panel displays details that have previously been recorded on the **School Details** page in SIMS (**Focus | Pupil** (or **Student**) | **Pupil** (or **Student**) **Details**). The information displayed may vary depending on your school and the details entered, e.g. Academy specific information.

The details displayed are read-only but can be amended, if necessary, via the **School Detail** button.



If any details are missing or incorrect, click the School Detail button to display the School Detail dialog, where information applicable to your school is displayed.

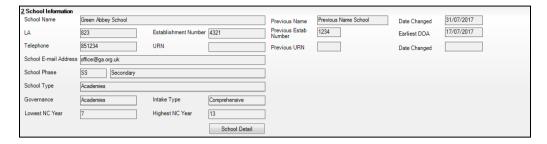


Add or amend the school details, selecting from the drop-down lists where applicable.

NOTE: The School Name, LA number, Establishment Number, School Phase and Curriculum Years were set up when SIMS was installed. If these details are incorrect, please contact your Local Support Unit for assistance.

- Ensure that the establishment's six digit Unique Reference Number (URN) is entered. The number is available via the Get information about schools website (https://get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/), which is a register of schools and colleges in England.
- Click the Save button then click the OK button to return to the Census **Return Details** page, where the updated details are displayed.

Information for Academies



Academies should also ensure that the following information is recorded, if applicable:

- The School Type and School Governance.
 Select Academies from the applicable drop-down lists.
- The Previous Name and Date Name Changed.
- The Previous Estab Number and Earliest DOA (date of admission).
 This information is used by School Census. If the establishment number (DfE number) has changed for <u>sponsor-led</u> Academies, historical information is not collected and the earliest date of admission is reported in the School Census.
- The Previous URN Number (used by other census returns) and Date Number Changed.

This information is used by the School Workforce Census. For <u>all</u> types of Academies opened in the collection period, the date that the establishment's URN changed is used to determine when the academy was formed. Historical information is not collected from before the date the URN changed.

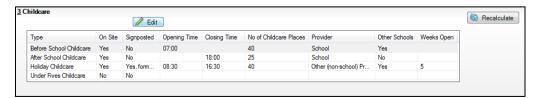
Editing School Childcare Details

School childcare details are collected annually in the School Census Spring return.

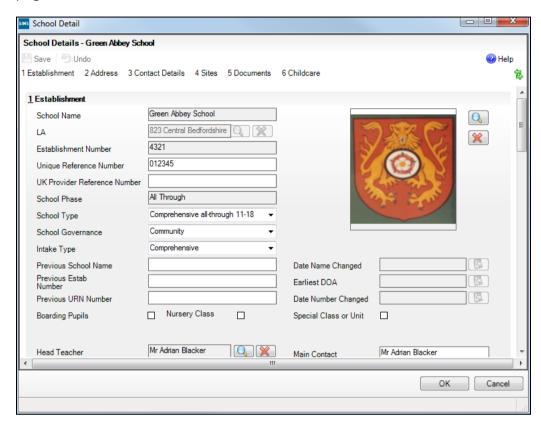
Details can be entered via **Focus | School | School Details**, enabling the information to be maintained at any time throughout the year.

The **Childcare** panel (on the **Census Return Details** page) displays read-only childcare provision information that has been entered previously via School Details. Additional information can be added or existing data edited by clicking the **Edit** button. This provides a direct link to the **School Details** page.

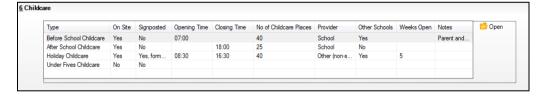
If no childcare information is recorded, a validation error is triggered when the return is run.



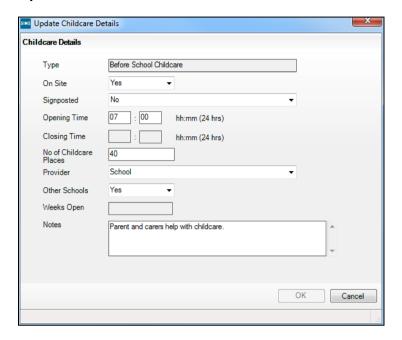
Click the Edit button in the Childcare panel to display the School Details page.



Click the Childcare hyperlink to display the Childcare panel, where the current childcare details are displayed.



3. Double-click one of the four existing records to display the **Update Childcare Details** dialog. Alternatively, highlight a record then click the **Open** button.



- 4. Enter the required details.
 - **Type** based on the record you have opened, the type of childcare being provided is displayed automatically. The four types of childcare collected for the return are:
 - Before School Childcare
 - After School Childcare
 - Holiday Childcare
 - Under Fives Childcare.
 - On Site select the applicable option from the drop-down list:
 - Yes select this option if childcare is being provided on the school premises.
 - No select this option if childcare is undertaken off the school premises, i.e. your school promotes or points parents towards a regular off-site childcare service, e.g. a private or voluntary organisation.
 - **Signposted** one of the following options must always be selected from the drop-down list:
 - Yes, formal arrangements including transport select this option if your school has formal arrangements with another provider that provides childcare for your pupil/students, including transport to their site.
 - Yes, list of providers that pick up from school select this
 option if a list of local providers that will pick up pupil/students from
 the school to help parents is provided.
 - No
 - Not Known.

Opening Time - enter the time that the service becomes available (not applicable to after school care).

NOTE: Ensure that the time is entered in 24 hour format. A colon should be entered between the hours and the minutes, e.g. 07:00.

Closing Time - enter the time that the service closed (not applicable to before school care).

NOTE: Ensure that the time is entered in 24 hour format. A colon should be entered between the hours and the minutes, e.g. 17:30.

- Number of Childcare Places enter the maximum number of childcare places that the service can provide.
- Provider select the description from the drop-down list that most accurately describes the provider of the service:
 - School
 - **School in Partnership** (with another provider)
 - Other (non-school) Provider.
- Other Schools is the service made available to children from other schools? Select as applicable from the drop-down list:
 - Yes
 - No
 - Unknown.
- Weeks Open enter the number of weeks for which childcare is provided (applicable to holiday and under-fives childcare only).
- **Notes** notes can be added and then edited later, if required.
- Click the **OK** button to return to the **School Details** page.
- Click the Save button and then the OK button to return to the Census Return Details page.

Managing Early Years Data

Applicable to schools with Early Years children only

The early years data collected in the School Census is used to determine the amount of the dedicated schools grant (DSG) allocation provided to local authorities to fund their early years providers.

More information about the early years national funding formula (allocations and guidance) is available on the GOV.UK website

(http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-national-funding -formula-allocations-and-quidance).

The **Early Years** panel consists of three grids:

- **Early Years**
- **Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt**
- 2 Year Old Basis for Funding.

Editing Early Years

Early Years data is collected from all schools that have early years pupils on-roll on census day. The following items are collected:

- Hours at Setting
- **Funded Hours**
- Disability Access Fund
- 30 Hour Code
- Extended Funded Hours.

NOTE: Disability Access Fund, 30 Hour Code and Extended Funded Hours are not collected in the census for pupils aged two at 31/12/2018.

Funded Hours and Hours at Setting

Funded hours are the total number of free child care hours that a child receives. All three and four year old pupils are eligible for 15 hours funded child care a week. Advice about the eligibility of two year old children for funded child care can be found on the DfE website

(https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-2-year-olds).

Hours at Setting include funded hours (as described previously) plus any additional hours funded by other means.

The hours collected in this return are for the week in which the census day falls.

Date of Birth Ranges	School Type and NC Year Group	Funded Hours Maximum Entitlement
01/09/2014 to 31/12/2016 inclusive	All relevant schools and year groups.	15 hours for pupils where 30 Hour code is present
01/09/2013 to 31/08/2014 inclusive	For pupils in National Curriculum Year groups E1, E2, N1 and N2 only.	25 hours for pupils where 30 Hour code is <u>not</u> present

Disability Access Fund

The Disability Access Fund (DAF) is payable as a lump sum once a year and awarded to three and four year old pupils who meet the following criteria:

- They are in receipt of child Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and
- They access their entitlement to free early learning and childcare, e.g. funded hours.

Disability Access Fund data is collected in this return for pupils who are in receipt of the fund on census day.

Date of Birth Ranges	School Type and NC Year Group
01/09/2014 to 31/12/2015 inclusive	All relevant schools and year groups.
01/09/2013 to 31/08/2014 inclusive	For pupils in National Curriculum Year groups E1, E2, N1 and N2 only.

Extended Funded Hours and 30 Hour Code

Extended Funded Hours are the number of hours that a child can receive in addition to the initial 15 funded hours. Extended Funded Hours are applicable to three and four year old pupils only.

Extended Funded Hours can double the original 15 hours of free child care to 30 hours a week, i.e. 15 funded free entitlement hours + 15 extended entitlement hours = 30 hours, provided that the following criteria are met:

- Both parents must be working (or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family) and live in England.
- Each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage.
- Each parent must have an annual income of less than the specified amount.

Parents who meet the extended funded hours criteria must obtain a unique code from the Tax Office (HM Revenue & Customs), then provide it to the school, together with other details, to confirm their eligibility for extended child care hours.

The 11 digit 30 Hour Code and the number of extended funded hours are collected in this return for the week in which the census day falls.

Date of Birth Ranges	School Type and NC Year Group	Extended Funded Hours Maximum Entitlement
01/09/2014 to 31/12/2015 inclusive	All relevant schools and year groups.	15 hours
01/09/2013 to 31/08/2014 inclusive	For pupils in National Curriculum Year groups E1, E2, N1 and N2 only.	15 hours

Extended Funded Hours information provided by the DfE can be found on their website

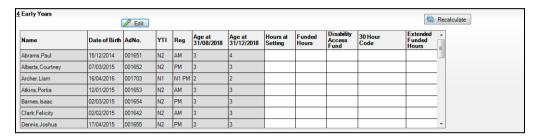
(https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-laand-early-years-provider-guide).

Recording Early Years

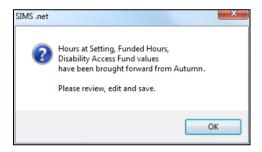
The required data can be recorded:

- via the Edit button in the Early Years panel
- via Tools | Statutory Returns Tools | Update Early Years Update Early Years page. The data in the Early Years panel must be refreshed by clicking the **Recalculate** button after using the Update Early Years routine.

If data has been recorded previously, the values are displayed in the read-only Early Years panel. Only cohorts applicable to your school are displayed.

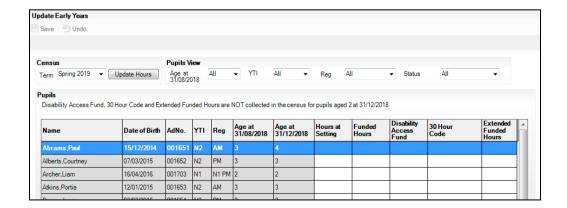


In the Early Years panel, click the Edit button to display a message informing you that data has been brought forward from the previous census.



Click the **OK** button to display the **Update Early Years** page. By default, the current term is displayed in the **Census** panel.

TIP: To view the data recorded for a previous term (in the current academic year), select the required Term from the drop-down list.



Primary phase schools that have defined Early Years Attendance Patterns (via Focus | Pupil | Pupil Details) for pupils who are receiving free nursery care can update Hours at Setting automatically.

- a. Click the **Update Hours** button (applicable to Primary phase schools only). The number of Hours at Setting that the listed pupils are expected to attend during the census week (based on the early years provision times recorded as part of their attendance pattern) are displayed in the Pupils panel.
- b. Edit the values, if required.

NOTE: If your school does not use the Define Early Years Attendance Patterns functionality, the data can be entered in the grid manually.

To add or edit the number of Hours at Setting, Funded Hours and Extended Funded Hours for an individual pupil, select the required criteria in the **Pupils View** panel.

In the **Pupils** panel, highlight the required pupil, click the applicable cell and then enter the required number of hours.

IMPORTANT NOTES: Values for Funded Hours, Hours at Setting and Extended Funded Hours should be entered using two decimal places. For example, 1 hour 15 minutes must be entered as 1.25. Zero (0) is an accepted value.

If the value entered is within the range accepted by SIMS but is higher than what the DfE expects, a validation error is displayed when the return is created and validated. An explanation as to why the value is higher should be recorded on the COLLECT Portal.

upils											
Disability Access Fund,	30 Hour Code and Ext	tended Fur	nded Ho	ours are	NOT collected i	n the census fo	rpupils aged 2	at 31/12/2018			
		1		1		1	1		Disability		Extended
Name	Date of Birth	AdNo.	ΥTI	Reg		Age at 31/12/2018		Funded	A	Code Code	Funded Hours
Abrams,Paul	15/12/2014	001651	N2	АМ	3	4					
Alberts, Courtney	07/03/2015	001652	N2	РМ	3	3	30	15	No	50000000000	15
Archer,Liam	16/04/2016	001703	N1	N1 PM	2	2	30	10	Yes		
Atkins, Portia	12/01/2015	001653	N2	AM	3	3					
Parnes leave	02/02/2015	001654	NO	DM	2	2					

- If most of the pupils are receiving the same number of hours, the following method can be used to populate the column quickly:
 - In the **Pupils View** panel, select the required year group from the Year Taught In (YTI) drop-down list. The selected pupils only are displayed in the Pupils panel.
 - Right-click in the Pupils panel, then select Select All from the drop-down list.
 - Click in one of the highlighted cells of the column you wish to populate, i.e. Hours at Setting, Funded Hours or Extended Funded Hours. then enter the number of hours that is applicable to the majority of
 - This number is then entered automatically for all the selected pupils.
 - d. Click to the right of the grid to deselect all.

- e. Edit the entry for each pupil who is receiving a different number of hours. This is achieved by highlighting the required pupil, clicking the associated **Hours at Setting**, **Funded Hours** or **Extended Funded Hours** cell (as applicable) then entering the required number.
- 5. Indicate whether the pupils are in receipt of the **Disability Access Fund**. Click the applicable cell then select **Yes** or **No** from the drop-down list.
- 6. Enter the 11 digit **30 Hour Code**, e.g. 5000000000, in the applicable cell, if in receipt of extended funded hours.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Each pupil <u>must</u> have a different 30 hour code. Ensure that all 11 digits are entered.

7. Click the Save button.

If there are any pupils for whom zero hours have been recorded, a message is displayed. Click the **Yes** button to save the data or the **No** button to return to the **Update Hours** page, where the number of hours can be entered.

8. Click the **OK** button to return to the **Census Return Details** page, where the updated hours are displayed.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

If, while completing the return, any of the following processes are performed, click the **Recalculate** button (located at the top right-hand side of the **Early Years** panel) to ensure that the up-to-date data is displayed:

- any information is update via Tools | Statutory Return Tools |
 Update Early Years
- a new pupil is added in SIMS
- a pupil's date of birth is amended.

Please note that when information is updated via the **Edit** button, the **Early Years** panel is refreshed automatically.

Using the Status to determine if Hours at Setting or Funded Hours are recorded

- 1. On the Census Return Details page, click the Edit button (located in the Early Years panel) to display the Update Early Years page.
- 2. In the **Pupils View** panel, ensure that the required **Age at** date, **YTI** and **Reg** group are selected and then select **No Hours at Setting** (or **No Funded Hours**) from the **Status** drop-down list.
 - Only pupil/students who do not have an entry for **Hours at Setting** (or **Funded Hours**) are displayed.
- 3. Enter the required values for these pupil/students as described previously.
- 4. Click the **Save** button.

Editing Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt

The data collected in the Spring School Census provides the DfE with information about Early Years Pupil Premium funding allocated to schools.

Information is required regarding three and four year olds who attend school and receive Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). Data is required for the following pupils:

- All three year old pupils who were born between 01/09/2014 and 31/12/2015 inclusive.
- Four year old pupils (in any Nursery school year group).
- Four year old pupils (in years E1, E2, N1 and N2 excluding Nursery schools) and born between 01/09/2013 and 31/08/2014 inclusive.

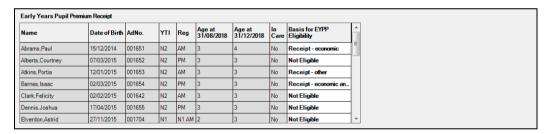
Children are eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) if they are receiving any hours of funded early education and any of the following:

they meet the benefits-related criteria for Free School Meals

NOTE: Meals delivered as part of the universal entitlement are not Free School Meals.

- they are in care
- they have been adopted from care.

The second grid in the Early Years panel deals with a pupil/student's Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt only. The pupils displayed in this grid make up a sub-set of the first grid (i.e. relevant three and four year olds).



Specify the Basis for EYPP Eligibility by clicking the applicable cell and then selecting the required option from the drop-down list:

- Not Eligible
- Receipt Economic

In receipt through eligibility for economic reasons, i.e. where they are in receipt via eligibility for the benefits-related criteria for FSM.

Receipt - Other

In receipt through eligibility for other reasons, i.e. where they are in receipt due to eligibility for being in care or due to leaving care through adoption, a special quardianship order or a child arrangement order.

Receipt - Economic and Other

In receipt through eligibility for both reasons, i.e. where they are in receipt through eligibility for both economic and other reasons.

Receipt - Unknown

In receipt through eligibility for unknown basis, i.e. where the school knows the child is in receipt of EYPP (due to receiving funding from the local authority) but does not necessarily know the reason why.

WARNING: If you Recalculate or Calculated All Details before saving, your Basis for EYPP Eligibility edits are lost.



More Information:

EYPPR Report on page 58

Editing Two Year Old Basis for Funding

The 2 Year Old Basis for Funding grid (located in the Early Years panel) enables schools to enter the basis of funding for each pupil/student with a date of birth between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2016 inclusive.

2 Year Old Basis for Funding							
Name	Date of Birth	AdNo.	ΥΤΙ	Reg	Economic Criteria	High level SEN or Disability	Looked After or Adopted From Care
Archer,Liam	16/04/2016	001703	N1	N1 PM	Yes	Yes	No
Jones,Emmeline	17/03/2016	001705	N1	N1 AM	Yes	No	No
Joram,Sara	07/01/2016	001706	N1	N1 PM	No	Yes	No
Parker,Gregory	02/02/2016	001707	N1	N1 P_			
Woodman,Eira	08/03/2016	001709	N1	N1 PM	Yes No		
Zenon,Jeremi	07/05/2016	001710	N1	N1 AM		1	

- Click a cell in the Economic Criteria column, then select Yes or No from the drop-down list to indicate if this basis for funding applies to the adjacent two year old pupil.
- Repeat this process in the High level SEN or Disability and Looked After or Adopted From Care columns.

NOTE: A pupil might meet one or more of the criterion. Select Yes to each applicable basis for funding.

Repeat this process for all two year old pupils. 3.



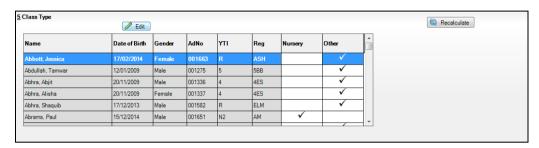
More Information:

2 Year Old Basis for Funding Report on page 58

Editing Class Types

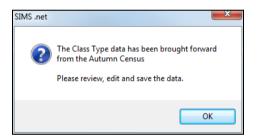
The type of class (either Nursery or Other) that each pupil belongs to on census day must be specified. Pupils in your Nursery class should be specified as Nursery, with all other pupils specified as Other.

If the class types have been recorded previously via Tools | Statutory Return Tools | Update Class Type, the data is displayed in the Class Type panel.

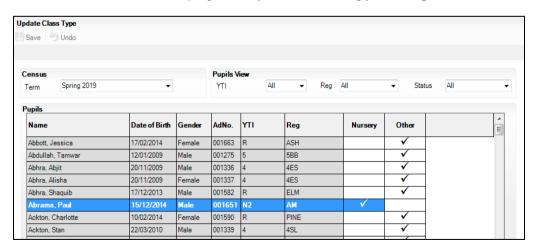


The Class Type panel is read-only. However, you can review, edit and save class types by clicking the **Edit** button.

Click the Edit button. A message informs you that the class type data has been brought forward from the previous census.



Click the **OK** button to display the **Update Class Type** dialog.



NOTE: If new pupils exist the default class type is displayed as blank.

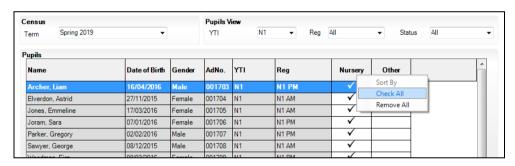
- To specify the class type for an individual pupil, click the appropriate cell of the Nursery or Other column to display a tick. Clicking again removes the
- If all or the majority of pupils need to be assigned the same class type, the following method can be used to quickly populate the Nursery and Other columns:
 - Right-click the Other column header then select Check All from the pop-up menu.



In the View Pupils panel, select a Nursery year from the year taught in (YTI) drop-down list.

The selected pupils only are displayed in the **Pupils** panel.

Right-click the Nursery column header then select Check All from the C. pop-up menu.



- Repeat steps b and c for any additional Nursery year.
- To ensure that your selection is correct, select All from the Year Taught In **(YTI)** drop-down list, then check the data displayed.
- 5. Click the Save button.
- If a message is displayed advising you that some pupils have not been assigned a class type, click the **No** button then ensure that a class type is allocated to every pupil before saving again.

IMPORTANT NOTE: To prevent validation failures when the School Census file is created, every pupil/student must be assigned a class type.

Click the OK button to return to the Census Return Details page, where the updated class types are displayed in the Class Type panel.



Additional Resources:

Preparing for the School Census Spring 2019 Return handbook

Resetting All Class Types

To reset all class types (via the **Update Class Type** page), right-click the Nursery (or Other) column header, then select Remove All from the pop-up list. The Nursery (or Other) column is cleared of all ticks.

Re-enter the correct class types for all pupils as previously described.

Identifying which Pupils have no Class Type Specified

To ensure that all pupils are assigned to a class type (via the **Update Class** Type page), select No Class Type from the Status drop-down list in the Pupils View panel. Any pupils without a Class Type are displayed in the Pupils panel.

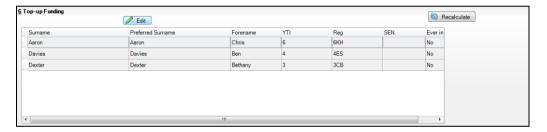
Specify a class types for these pupils, as previously described.

Editing Pupil/Students with Top-Up Funding

Top-up funding is supplied to schools, in most cases by the Local Authority, to meet the additional costs of support for high needs pupil/students.

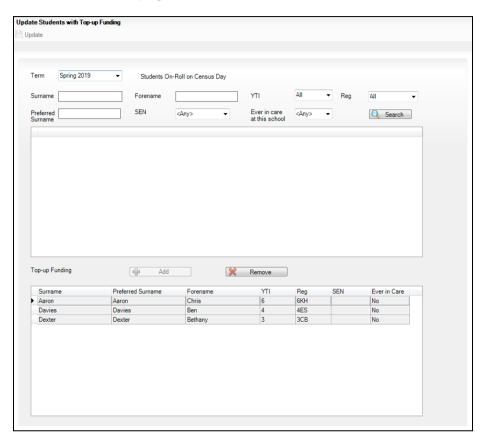
The Top-up Funding panel enables you to record the on-roll pupil/students for whom your school is receiving top-up funding on census day.

If the pupil/students with top-up funding have been recorded previously via Tools | Statutory Return Tools | Update Top-Up Funding, the data is displayed in the **Top-up Funding** panel.



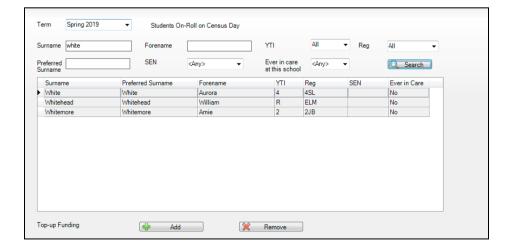
The information displayed in the **Top-up Funding** panel is read-only. Updating top-up funding information, e.g. adding or removing a pupil/student, must be done via the **Edit** button.

Click the Edit button to display the Update Pupil (or Student)s with Top-up Funding dialog. The pupil/students currently recorded as having top-up funding are displayed in the Top-up Funding list (located in the bottom half of the page).



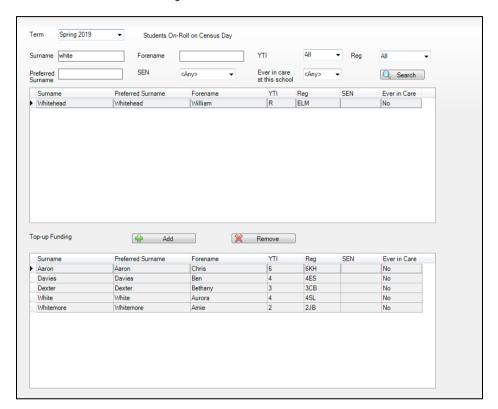
; Use the Students On-Roll on Census Day search criteria to locate the additional pupil/students you wish to record as having top-up funding.

TIP: Click the **Search** button to display a list of all pupil/students who have not been defined as having top-up funding. Alternatively, enter all or part of the required search criteria then click the **Search** button.



Highlight the pupil/student(s) who you want to record as having top-up funding then click the Add button to move the selected pupil/student(s) to the Top-up Funding list.

One or more pupil/students can be selected using the Ctrl+click or Shift+click functionality.



- To remove a pupil/student from the **Top-up Funding** list, highlight the required pupil/student then click the **Remove** button. The pupil/student's record is moved to the Students On-Roll on Census Day list, from where it can be reselected, if required.
- 5. Click the **Update** button to save the data and arrange the list of pupil/students in Surname order.
- Click the **OK** button (located at the bottom right-hand side of the screen) to return to the Census Return Details page, where the updated information is displayed in the **Top-up Funding** panel.



Additional Resources:

Preparing for the School Census Spring 2019 Return handbook

Editing Pupil/Student Post Looked After Arrangements

The Post Looked After Arrangements routine provides schools with the ability to record whether pupil/students who are on-roll on census day were looked after immediately before adoption or prior to being the subject of a residence or special quardianship order.

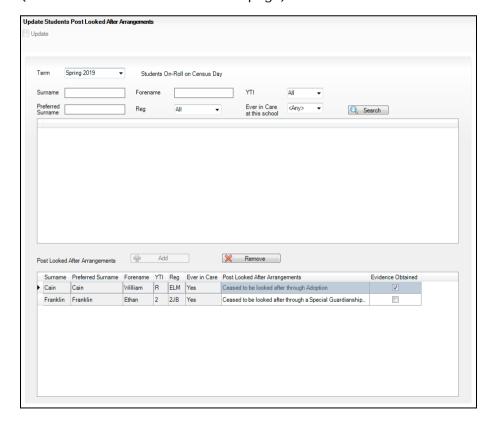
If the pupil/students with post looked after arrangements (PLAA) have been recorded previously via Tools | Statutory Return Tools | Update Student Post Looked After Arrangements, the data is displayed in the Post Looked After Arrangements panel.

Click the Recalculate button (in the Post Looked After Arrangements panel) to ensure that all pupil/students who already have a PLAA status are displayed.



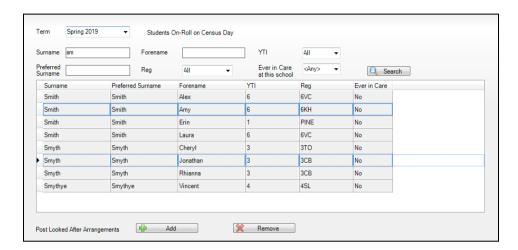
The information displayed in the **Post Looked After Arrangements** panel is read-only. Updating the information, e.g. editing the PLAA status or adding a pupil/student, must be done via the **Edit** button.

Click the Edit button to display the Update Pupil (or Student)s Post Looked After Arrangements page. Any pupil/students currently recorded as having PLAA are displayed in the Post Looked After Arrangements list (located in the bottom half of the page).



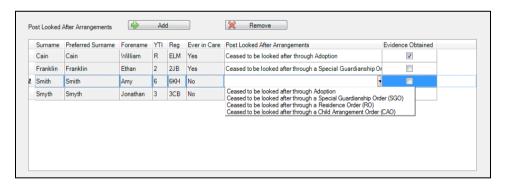
Use the Students On-Roll on Census Day search criteria to locate the additional pupil/students you wish to record as having PLAA.

TIP: Click the **Search** button to display a list of pupil/students who have not been defined as having PLAA. Alternatively, enter all or part of the required search criteria then click the **Search** button.



Highlight the pupil/students who you want to record as having PLAA then click the Add button to move the selected pupil/students automatically to the Post Looked After Arrangements list.

One or more pupil/students can be selected using the Ctrl+click or Shift+click functionality.



- For each pupil/student added to the Post Looked After Arrangements list, select the post looked after arrangement status by clicking in the applicable cell in the Post Looked After Arrangements column then selecting the required status from the drop-down list:
 - Ceased to be looked after through Adoption
 - Ceased to be looked after through a Special Guardianship Order (SGO)
 - Ceased to be looked after through a Residence Order (RO)
 - Ceased to be looked after through a Child Arrangement Order (CAO).

NOTE: Ceased to be looked after through a Residence Order (RO) has been replaced by Ceased to be looked after through a Child Arrangement Order (CAO).

You do not need to change any existing residence orders but new post looked after arrangements must be recorded as child arrangement orders.

Select the Evidence Obtained check box if documents have been obtained that provide evidence of the post looked after arrangements.

NOTE: Evidence Obtained is not collected in the School Census return but should be recorded as proof of DfE/Ofsted compliance.

- To remove a name from the list, highlight it then click the **Remove** button. The record is moved to the Students On-Roll on Census Day list, from where it can be reselected, if required.
- Click the **Update** button to save the information and arrange the list of pupil/students in surname order.
 - If you have indicated that evidence has been obtained, you are reminded to ensure that the necessary documents are stored securely outside of SIMS or within the Document Management Server.
- Click the **OK** button to continue.
- 10. Click the **OK** button (located at the bottom right-hand side of the screen) to return to the Census Return Details page, where the updated information is displayed in the **Post Looked After Arrangements** panel.



Additional Resources:

Preparing for the School Census Spring 2019 Return handbook



More Information:

Post Looked After Arrangements Report on page 58

Managing School Dinners Taken on Census Day

Applicable to schools with pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

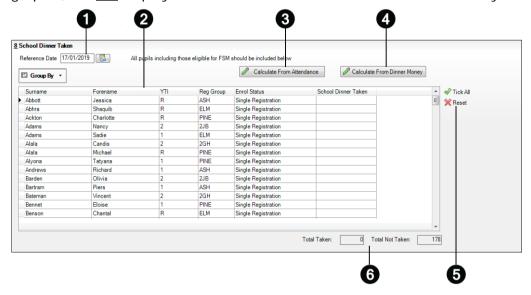
All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in English state-funded schools are offered a Universal Infant School Meal, i.e. a hot meal at lunchtime. This applies to Academies, Free Schools and Pupil Referral Units, as well as to schools maintained by the local authority. The School Census Autumn 2019 Return collects information about pupils who receive a Universal Infant School Meal (school dinner) on census day.

The School Dinner Taken panel displays all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who are on-roll on census day. The options available in the panel enable you to record pupils who have taken a Universal Infant School Meals on census day, so that accurate data can be included in the census.

NOTES: The **Reference Date** is provided so that your school can report school dinners taken on an alternative date to census day, if required.

The pupils listed in the **School Dinner Taken** panel are those who are on-roll on census day. Whereas the data calculated via the Calculate From Attendance and the Calculate From Dinner Money buttons is based on the reference date.

If your school uses SIMS Dinner Money or SIMS Attendance, the number of dinners taken on census day can be calculated using the data recorded when using these modules. If either or both of these modules are not in use, the applicable Calculate From button(s), as displayed in the following graphic, are <u>not</u> displayed but the information can be recorded manually.



- O By default, the Reference Date is set to 17/01/2019 (census day). If, due to exceptional circumstance, e.g. flooding, pupils were unable to take a school dinner on census day, the reference date can be changed to a date that reflects the normal situation. 2 Click the required column header to sort the data.
- 8 The Calculate From Attendance button is displayed only if SIMS Attendance is in use.
- 4 The Calculate from Dinner Money button is displayed only if SIMS Dinner Money is in use.
- 6 When the **Reset** button is clicked all existing ticks are removed from the School Dinner Taken column enabling you to start the process again.
- 6 The Total Taken and Total Not Taken provide an indication of whether the number of school dinners taken is correct or whether edits are required.

After the return has been created and validated, the School Dinner Taken detail report can be run to assist with the checking of results.



More Information:

School Dinner Taken Report on page 56

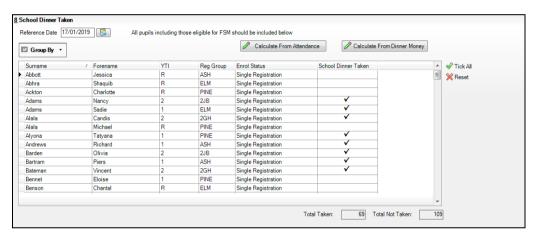
Using Dinner Money to Calculate School Dinners Taken on Census Day

If SIMS Dinner Money is in use, the Dinner Money data recorded for census day can be used to calculate the number of school dinners taken on census day.

Many users of SIMS Dinner Money also use SIMS Attendance. If this is the case the Calculate From Attendance button is also displayed.

However, it is recommended that the Calculate From Dinner Money routine is used in the first instance. This is because the Calculate From Attendance routine looks at all pupils with a present or late attendance mark on census day morning. These pupils could be taking any sort of meal on census day, e.g. going home for lunch, pack lunch brought from home, as well as meals provided by the school. The School Census return is only interested in school meals provided by the school.

SIMS Dinner Money takes into account these different meal types and populates the School Dinner Taken column with ticks where meals provided by the school only have been taken.



Click the Calculate From Dinner Money button.

WARNI NG: Clicking the Calculate From Dinner Money button overwrites all existing data in the **School Dinner Taken** panel.

If SIMS detects missing information, the following message is displayed:

Dinner Money information is incomplete. Please ensure that meals are recorded in Dinner Money.

- Click the **Cancel** button to return to SIMS where the missing information can be entered or the **OK** button to continue.
 - A tick is entered against each pupil who is receiving any type of meal provided by the school on census day. These meals have a meal type category of **School Provided**, with a description such as hot school meal or school sandwich.
- Edit the information by clicking the required row, in the School Dinner Taken column, to toggle between a tick and blank (no meal taken), as required.

Using Attendance to Calculate School Dinners Taken on Census Day

The School Census Return only requires information about school meals provided by the school on census day. However, if SIMS Attendance is in use. the attendance data recorded for census day morning can be used to calculate all pupils who are present and are likely to be taking a school dinner.

The information calculated from attendance can be edited to so that school meals provided by the school only are collected in the return.

Click the Calculate From Attendance button. 1.

> WARNING: Clicking the Calculate From Attendance button overwrites existing data in the **School Dinner Taken** panel.

If missing marks exist, a message is displayed:

Please ensure that registers have been taken. Missing marks have been interpreted as absent and no dinner taken.

Click the Cancel button to return to SIMS where missing marks can be entered or the **OK** button to continue.

A tick is entered against each pupil who is marked as present on census day morning (i.e. AM session). It is possible that some of these pupils are not taking meals provided by the school, e.g. they go home for dinner or bring a packed lunch from home. Meals provided by the school only are required for the return.

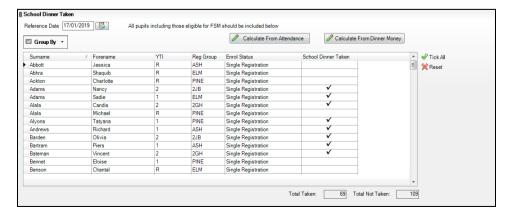
Use the Group By functionality to group pupils by Year Taught In, Reg Group or Enrolment Status, enabling school dinners taken information to be updated from class lists, etc.

Edit the information by clicking the required row, in the School Dinner Taken column, to toggle between a tick and blank (no meal taken), as required.

Using Manual Entry to Record School Dinners Taken on Census Day

If your school is not using SIMS Dinner Money or SIMS Attendance the number of school dinners taken on census day (i.e. meals provided by the school) can be entered manually.

- Click the Tick All button to populate the School Dinner Taken column. All pupils are ticked indicating that they received a school dinner on census day.
- Edit individual records by clicking the applicable School Dinner Taken cell to toggle between a tick and blank (no meal taken).



The Total Taken and Total Not Taken (located at the bottom of the panel) provide an indication of whether the number of school dinners taken is correct or whether further edits are required.

- After the return has been created and validated, run the School Dinner Taken detail report and then check the report contents.
- Continue editing until school dinner taken details are correct. 4.

WARNING: Clicking the Reset button removes all existing ticks from the School Dinner Taken column.

Editing Class Information

When the School Census is generated, the class information displayed is a 'snapshot' of SIMS data as of the selected period on census day. The selected period is based on the last digit of your DfE establishment number (please see Specifying the Selected Period on Census Day on page 13).

NOTE: If the school is closed on census day, the information displayed is still based on classes as at census day.

If the Include Alternative Curriculum check box is selected (in the Selected Period on Census Day panel), Alternative Curriculum periods are included in the list of class names displayed in the Classes panel.

The Classes panel consists of two sections, the Reg Classes (registration classes) panel and the TT Classes (timetabled classes) panel.



More Information:

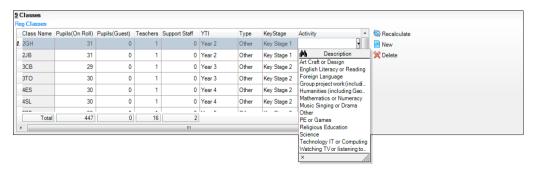
Class Report on page 58

Editing Registration Classes

Schools with infant classes, i.e. reception and/or Key Stage 1 classes, should ensure that the selected period is one in which their infant classes are engaged in an academic activity rather than that of excepted activities, e.g. games, music, watching television, etc.

The registration groups that have been set up in your pastoral structure are displayed in the read-only Class Name column. The Total numbers of pupil/students and staff are calculated automatically and displayed at the bottom of the panel.

Check and, if necessary, edit the information displayed.



Pupils (On Roll)

The number of pupil/students in the registration class at the selected period on census day is displayed. The entries in this column can be edited if required. Ensure that:

- any pupil/students temporarily absent on the census day are included.
- any part-time pupil/students not scheduled to be in school at the selected period are excluded. These pupil/students should be counted in the **Pupil Reconciliation** panel instead.

Pupils (Guest)

This column displays any guest pupil/students who are normally in the class at the selected period. Ensure that any quest pupil/students have an Enrolment Status of Guest pupil in the Pupil Details panel (Focus | Pupil (or Student) | Pupil (or Student) Details).

Teachers

Include all qualified and unqualified teachers taking the class at the selected period.

Exclude teachers who are:

- wholly or mainly providing support to individual pupil/students.
- on Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time.

Support Staff

Include teaching assistants, special needs support staff, support staff for minority ethnic pupil/students and other education support staff in the class at the selected period.

Exclude non-teaching staff wholly or mainly providing support to individual pupil/students.

Year Taught In

This column shows the curriculum year group of each class displayed. To edit the year group, click in the cell and select from the drop-down list.

Select **Mixed Year** if a class contains pupils from more than one National Curriculum year.

NOTE: This does not include classes containing any pupil/students who have been held back, or advanced a year and are of a different chronological age to the rest of the class.

Type

This column displays the class type. To edit the class type, click in the cell then select either Other or Nursery (as appropriate) from the drop-down list.

Key Stage

This column displays the key stage of each registration class. This can be amended by clicking in the cell and selecting the required Key Stage from the drop-down list.

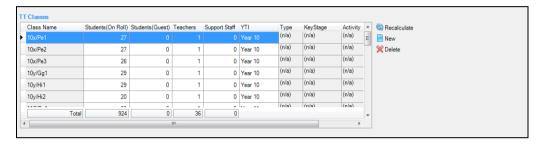
NOTE: A **Mixed Key Stage** class is a class containing pupils from different key stages, e.g. Year 2 (Key Stage 1) and Year 3 (Key Stage 2), and not a class containing a child of a different age because they have been held back or advanced a year.

Activity

This column provides the ability to select the activity that the registration class was engaged in at the selected period. This is achieved by clicking in the required cell then selecting the applicable activity from the drop-down list. Other should not be selected unless none of the activities listed are appropriate.

Editing Timetabled Classes

The timetabled classes previously set up in Nova/Academic Management are displayed in the read-only Class Name column. The Total numbers of pupil/students and staff are calculated automatically and displayed at the bottom of the panel.



Check and, if necessary, edit the following information.

Students (On Roll)

The number of pupil/students in the timetabled class at the selected period is displayed. The entries in this column can be edited if required. Ensure that:

- any pupil/students temporarily absent on the census day are included.
- any part-time pupil/students not scheduled to be in school at the selected period are excluded. These pupil/students should be counted in the **Student Reconciliation** panel instead (please see *Editing Student* Reconciliation on page 42).

Students (Guest)

This column displays any guest pupil/students who are normally in the timetabled class at the selected period. Ensure that any quest pupil/students have an Enrolment Status of Guest student in the Student Details panel (Focus | Students | Student Details).

Teachers

Include all qualified and unqualified teachers taking the timetabled class at the selected period.

Exclude teachers who are:

- wholly or mainly providing support to individual pupil/students.
- on Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time.

Support Staff

Include teaching assistants, special needs support staff, support staff for minority ethnic pupil/students and other education support staff in the timetabled class at the selected period.

Exclude non-teaching staff wholly or mainly providing support to individual pupil/students.

Year Taught In

This column shows the curriculum year group of each class displayed. To edit the year group, click in the cell and select from the drop-down list.

Select Mixed Year if a timetabled class contains pupil/students from more than one National Curriculum year.

NOTE: This does not include classes containing any pupil/students who have been held back, or advanced a year and are of a different chronological age to the rest of the class.

Type, Key Stage and Activity (applicable to schools that have timetabled classes for Years Taught In under 7)

These three columns are displayed only if your school has timetabled classes for Years Taught In under 7. If applicable, enter the required values.

Recalculating the Classes Information

The data in the Classes panel can be replaced with the original data from the database by clicking the appropriate **Recalculate** button.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Clicking the Recalculate button overwrites any edited data with the original data stored in SIMS. Do not use the **Recalculate** button if you wish to keep any changes you have made.

Adding Classes

It might be necessary to add an additional class if, for example, some pupil/students are receiving additional teaching support. This is achieved by clicking the **New** button then entering the applicable class information in the additional row, which is displayed at the bottom of the table.

NOTE: Remember to reduce the number of pupil/students in the main class.

Ensure that you click the Save button to save the data and refresh the display.

Deleting Classes

In some circumstances, classes might need to be deleted, e.g. if they do not normally take place at the selected period. This is achieved by highlighting the class then clicking the **Delete** button.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you delete a class that contains pupil/students, you must recalculate again to ensure that pupil/student numbers are correct.

Editing Student Reconciliation

The **Student Reconciliation** panel is used to reconcile the various categories of pupil/students with the numbers in the Classes panel. The number of on-roll pupil/students who are not in class at the selected period, because they are attending another school, part-time, etc. should be entered in the appropriate fields.

8 Student Reconciliation					
On roll students in classes	924			Total students	924
Part-time students not at school	0	Students on work experience	0	Must agree with	
Private study students	0	Students at FE colleges	0	Students on roll	1016
Students at another school	0				

For example:

In the previous example there are 1016 Students On Roll but only 924 On Roll students in classes. The difference must be accounted for. This could be the number of pupil/students who are attending another school at the selected period. In which case, 92 should be entered in the Students at another school field.

- If applicable, enter the number of Part-time students not at school, the number of Private study students and the number of Students at another school.
- If applicable, enter the number of **Students on work experience** and the number of Students at FE colleges.
- Check the values in the Total students and Students On Roll fields. The 3 two values must be the same.

The value in the **Total students** field is calculated automatically and equals the sum of the following:

- On Roll Students in classes
- Part-time students not at school
- Private study students
- Students at another school
- Students on work experience
- Students at FE colleges.
- 4. Amend the values in the editable fields, if necessary.

Entering Attendance Information

Termly attendance data (including attendance codes and the number of sessions missed) should be provided for non-boarder pupil/students and leavers aged four to 15 inclusive on 31/08/2018, who were on-roll for at least one session during the collection period from the start date of the Autumn term to 31/12/2018.

Initially the Attendance panel is blank. However, after clicking the Calculate All Details button (located in the School Information panel) the display changes.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Clicking the Calculate All Details button overwrites any edited data, in every panel, with the original data stored in SIMS. Do not use this button if you wish to keep any changes you have made.

The information displayed in the Attendance panel (after the Calculate All Details button is clicked) is dependent on which of the following is applicable:

- SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor is in use, the attendance codes being used are DfE compliant and there are either:
 - no missing marks or
 - missing marks.
- SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor is in use and the attendance codes being used are DfE non-compliant.
- SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor is not in use.



More Information:

Attendance Report on page 55

SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor Users

If SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor is in use, ensure that all missing marks and unexplained absences for the previous term have been dealt with before commencing the return.

TIP: After the Create and Validate process is run, the Attendance detail report can be used to assist with the checking of attendance data. Select Attendance Report from the Detail Report drop-down list.

Are your Attendance Codes DfE Compliant?

If Attendance/Lesson Monitor is in use and your school is using DfE compliant attendance codes, attendance data is entered directly into the return, providing that there are no missing marks.

If all attendance marks have been entered in Attendance/Lesson Monitor, the following message is displayed in the Attendance panel, informing you that your attendance codes are DfE compliant but will be rechecked at the Create and Validate stage.

5 Attendance Your attendance codes are DfE compliant This will be rechecked at the Create & Validate stage However, if any missing attendance marks are detected, the following message is displayed in the Attendance panel, requesting that you add the missing attendance marks.



- Use the Deal with Missing Marks routine (Focus | Attendance (or Lesson Monitor) | Deal with Missing Marks) to locate the missing marks and enter appropriate attendance codes.
- Return to the Census Return Details page and click the Check missing marks button in the Attendance panel to ensure that all missing marks have been dealt with.

NOTE: The Create and Validate process can still be run even if some attendance marks are missing. You will be asked if you wish to continue to create the return or cancel the Create and Validate process.



More Information:

Producing Detail Reports on page 54

Are your Attendance Codes DfE Non-Compliant?

If Attendance/Lesson Monitor is in use but one or more invalid attendance codes have been detected, a message is displayed in the Attendance panel to inform you that your attendance codes are not DfE compliant.

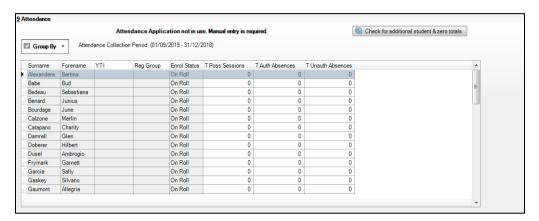


- Non-compliant codes must be dealt with. Please contact your Local Support 1. Unit for assistance.
- 2. Click the Check attendance codes button to check that DfE attendance codes are now in use.
 - If the attendance codes are now DfE compliant, a message informs you that the codes will be rechecked at the **Create & Validate** stage.
- Click the **OK** button to continue.

SIMS Attendance/Lesson Monitor Not in Use

If Attendance/Lesson Monitor is not in use, the following data must be entered manually:

- Termly Possible Sessions (T Poss Sessions)
- Termly Sessions Missed due to Authorised Absence (**T Auth Absences**)
- Termly Sessions Missed due to Unauthorised Absence (T Unauth Absences).



To filter the display of pupil/students in the **Attendance** panel, select **Year** Group, Registration Group or Enrolment Status from the Group By drop-down list.

Alternatively, select **Group by None** to display a list of all pupil/students.

- To sort the displayed data by surname, forename, year group, registration 2. group or enrolment status, click the appropriate column header.
- 3. For each pupil/student, enter the correct attendance numbers in the T Poss Sessions, T Auth Absences and T Unauth Absences columns.
- To clear the attendance information and check for additional pupil/students, click the Check for additional students & zero totals button.

WARNING: If the Check for additional students & zero totals button is clicked, any attendance data entered manually is lost.

Entering General Information

The **General** panel deals with the number of pupil/students who receive Free School Meals on census day.



Enter the Number of free school meals taken on census day by pupil/students, in any year, who are eligible for Free School Meals.

- Pupil/students should be included only if they meet the Free School Meals eligibility criteria (i.e. in respect to family income).
- If your school has pupil/students of a young age, do not include pupil/students taking school meals in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, if they are not eligible for Free School Meals in respect to family income, e.g. they are receiving a Universal Infant School Meal only.



More Information:

General Report on page 59

Entering Infant Admissions Appeals Totals

Applicable to Primary and All-Through schools. Schools that were Academies, Voluntary Aided schools or Foundation schools at the time that the appeals were lodged, should also complete this panel.

The Infant Admissions Appeals panel deals with appeals lodged before 01/09/2018 against refusals to admit a child for a place at your school at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.

All fields in this panel must be populated manually.



- Enter the total number of admissions appeals that have been Lodged and the total that have been Withdrawn before 01/09/2018 against a refusal to admit a child to the school for a place at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.
 - Information about appeals lodged on or after 01/09/2018 is not required. Enter information related to entry to the school at the start of the academic year only.
- Enter the total number of infant admissions appeals Heard, Upheld and Rejected by the Independent Admission Committee.

Entering Primary Admissions Appeals Totals

Applicable to Primary, Middle deemed Primary and All-Through schools. Schools that were Academies, Voluntary Aided schools or Foundation schools at the time that the appeals were lodged, should also complete this panel.

The Primary Admissions Appeals panel deals with appeals lodged before 01/09/2018 against refusals to admit a pupil/student for a place at your school at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.

NOTE: The appeals records in this panel must include all infant admissions appeals, if applicable to your school.

All fields in this panel must be populated manually.

14 Primary Admissions Appeals						
Foundation Schools/Voluntary Aided Schools/Academies must complete this section (this does not include AP Academies, AP	Independent Admissions Committee					
Free Schools, Academy Special Schools)	Heard []					
Lodged 0	Upheld 0					
Withdrawn 0	Rejected 0					

- Enter the total number of admissions appeals (including infant admission appeals) that have been Lodged and the total that have been Withdrawn before 01/09/2018 against a refusal to admit a child to the school for a place at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.
 - Information about appeals lodged on or after 01/09/2018 is not required. Enter information related to entry to the school at the start of the academic year only.
- Enter the total number of admission appeals (including infant admissions appeals) Heard, Upheld and Rejected by the Independent Admission Committee.

If there are infants at your school, ensure that the Infant Admission Appeals panel is also completed (please see Entering Infant Admissions Appeals Totals on page 46).

Entering Secondary Admissions Appeals Totals

Applicable to Secondary, Middle deemed Secondary and All-Through schools. Schools that were Academies, Voluntary Aided schools or Foundation schools at the time that the appeals were lodged, should also complete this panel.

The Secondary Admissions Appeals panel deals with appeals lodged before 01/09/2018 against refusals to admit a pupil/student for a place at your school at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.

All fields in this panel are editable and must be populated manually.



- Enter the total number of admissions appeals that have been Lodged and the total that have been Withdrawn before 01/09/2018 against a refusal to admit a child to the school for a place at the start of the 2018/2019 academic year.
 - Information about appeals lodged on or after 01/09/2018 is not required. Enter information related to entry to the school at the start of the academic year only.
- Enter the total number of admissions appeals Heard, Upheld and Rejected by the Independent Admission Committee.
 - When this panel is complete and you are satisfied that all the details on the Census Return Details page are correct, the census return file can be created and validated (please see Creating and Validating the School Census Return on page 49).

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Creating and Validating the School Census Return

A return must be created, validated and authorised before it can be sent to your Local Authority or uploaded to the DfE COLLECT data collection website (as applicable to your school).

Validating the return creates an unauthorised return file, which is then run against a set of DfE rules. When the validation is complete, a list of errors and queries is displayed.

An error is caused by either missing or inaccurate data, whilst a query highlights data which is unusual or not as expected, e.g. there are no pupil/students with special educational needs.

- Select Routines | Statutory Returns | School Census to display the Census Return browser.
- Click the **Search** button to display a list of returns.
- Double-click the required return to display the Census Return Details
- Click the Create & Validate button to begin the process. There may be a short delay, depending on the number of pupil/students at your school.

A progress bar is displayed indicating that the Create and Validate process is being performed.



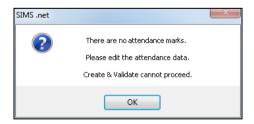
If there is an irregularity in the attendance marks, one of the following messages is displayed:

If the attendance codes are not DfE compliant, a message similar to the following is displayed informing you which code(s) must not be used.



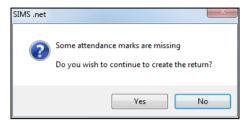
The lack of compliance must be dealt with before the Create and Validate process can be performed. Please contact your Local Support Unit for assistance.

If no attendance marks are found and SIMS Attendance is in use, the following message is displayed informing you that the Create and Validate process cannot proceed.



Click the **OK** button then edit the attendance data before attempting to create and validate the return again.

If there are any missing attendance marks, the following message is displayed enquiring as to whether you wish to continue with the Create and Validate process.



Click the Yes button to continue creating and validating the data.

Alternatively, click the **No** button to cancel the process, then use the Deal with Missing Marks routine (Focus | Attendance (or Lesson Monitor) | Deal with Missing Marks) to locate the missing marks and enter appropriate attendance codes. For more information, please refer to the Managing Pupil/Students Attendance or Monitoring Session and Lesson Attendance handbook, as applicable.

When the validation process is complete, the Validation Errors Summary panel is displayed at the bottom of the screen.

Resolving Validation Errors and Checking Queries

After creating the return file and validating the data, any errors and queries found are listed in the Validation Errors Summary panel at the bottom of the Census Return Details page.



The number of errors and queries found during the Create and Validate process is displayed in the header of the Validation Errors Summary panel.

Details about each of the errors and queries found are displayed in the columns as described in the following table.

Column	Description					
Туре	Displays the type of validation rule:					
	Failure (F displayed in red) indicates an error, which must be corrected					
	Query (Q displayed in black) indicates that there are unusual data conditions. These should be considered and corrected, if necessary.					
Sequence	Shows the error or query number.					
Message	Displays the text of the error or query message.					
Location	Lists the specific record containing the error or query.					
Solution	Provides a suggestion on how the error can be corrected or the query checked. Many solutions have a hyperlink (indicated by a #) to the appropriate area of SIMS.					

To assist in the resolution of any errors and queries:

- When the mouse pointer is hovered over a Message, Location or Solution cell, hover help displays the entire content of that cell.
- When the mouse pointer is hovered over an error or query row, it changes to a hand if a hyperlink is available to the area of SIMS where the issue can be checked.



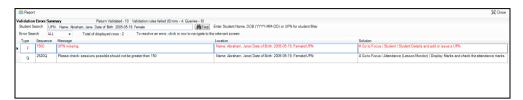
NOTE: A hyperlink is also indicated by a hash symbol (#) preceding the **Solution** text.

Click the appropriate hyperlink to display the specific SIMS area where the record(s) can be checked or corrected.

The Student Search functionality can be used to display all errors and queries relating to a particular pupil/student. Enter all or part of a UPN, pupil/student's surname or date of birth in the Student Search field then select the required record from the **Student Search** drop-down list to populate the Student Search field. Click the Find button to display the applicable validation records.



Click a **Solution** hyperlink to display the area of SIMS where the associated issue can be checked and/or corrected. When you return to the Validation Errors Summary panel, the details of the applicable pupil/student are displayed in the Student Search field. Click the Find button to display all errors and queries relating to that pupil/student.



Use the Errors Search to display the required error or query you want to view. Select ALL, ERRORS, QUERIES or the required number from the drop-down list. The total number of rows that relate to the selected validation is displayed adjacent to the Error Search field.



By default, when ALL is selected from the Errors Search drop-down list, the errors are displayed at the top of the list.

The order of the items in the list can be changed by clicking the appropriate column heading.



The width of the columns can be changed by dragging the dividing line between the column headings until the required size is achieved.

View a summary of validation failures, which is particularly useful if there are a large number of errors/queries, by clicking the Report button (located at the left-hand side and directly above the Validation Errors Summary panel). The report is displayed in your web browser, e.g. Internet Explorer[®], where it can be printed or transferred to another application, if required (please see Transferring Report Data to a Spreadsheet on page 61).

The report (Validation Errors Summary.HTML) is saved automatically in the Census Folder, which was specified previously in the Census Return for <season> <year> Term browser. The original report, which was generated when the Create & Validate button was clicked (e.g.

<LACode><SchoolNumber> <SurveyType> <LACode><LL><Year> <SerialNumber>_ValidationErrorsSummary.HTML), is also stored in this folder.

For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

Resolve as many errors and check as many queries as possible then revalidate the return details. Continue to resolve failures and revalidate the return as many times as necessary.

NOTE: All errors must be resolved and all queries must be investigated.

If at any point you wish to hide the list of error and queries, click the Close button located at the top right-hand side of the Validation Errors **Summary** panel. The list is displayed again when the Create and Validate process is run.

Many of the errors generated can be fixed quickly using bulk update functionality (via Routines | Pupil (or Student) | Bulk Update). For more information, please refer to the *Managing Pupil/Students* handbook.

In addition to the Validation Errors Summary, an Errors and Resolutions document containing a list of all errors/queries that can be generated is being produced. Explanations and information on how to resolve the errors or whether the queries can be ignored are also included. The document can help to identify the order in which errors should be corrected. For example, if a UPN is missing, several UPN related errors might be generated. Therefore, adding missing UPNs can remove several errors.



More Information:

Transferring Report Data to a Spreadsheet on page 61

Producing Detail Reports

Detail reports can be used to check the data stored in SIMS that has been used to create the return. The reports can be produced as soon as the return has been created and validated.

Each detail report header displays the Security Message that was defined in the Census Return browser, the Report Criteria and the Total Pupil (or **Student**)s who are listed in the report. Also included in the report header is the School Name, the Fileset Number, the Filename, the Report Created date, and the XML Version.

Where a pupil/student's National Curriculum Year group is different from what their date of birth would suggest, the applicable YTI cell is highlighted in yellow.

The following reports are currently available.

On-Roll Basic Details Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students on-roll on census day.

This report provides basic information about the pupil/students, e.g. UPN, ULN, legal surname, legal forename, preferred surname, former surname, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), date of admission (DOA), enrolment status, ethnicity, language, class type, Youth Support Services Agreement indicator (YSSA), part-time status and boarder status.

Leavers Basic Details Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students not on-roll on census day:

- Leavers with attendance one term ago (from the start of the 2018 Autumn term to 31/12/2018); and/or
- Leavers with exclusions two terms ago (02/04/2018 to 31/08/2018); and/or
- Leavers with learner support of Vulnerable Group Bursary Awarded or Discretionary Bursary Awarded from 01/08/2018 to 17/01/2019.

This report provides basic information about leavers: UPN, ULN, former UPN, legal surname, legal forename, middle names, former surname, date of birth (DOB), gender, date of admission (DOA), date of leaving (DOL), ethnicity, language, part-time status, boarder status, attendance, exclusions and learner support status.

Exclusions Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students and leavers with exclusions two terms ago (02/04/2018 to 31/08/2018). Not applicable to pupil/students who have exclusions with appeal result of Reinstated or Not in the best interests of the child.

This report provides the following details about pupil/students who match the report criteria: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, date of admission (DOA), exclusion category, reason for exclusion. exclusion start date, number of session excluded from, SEN provision and on-roll status.

Attendance Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students with attendance one term ago (from the start of the 2018 Autumn term to 31/12/2018). On-roll and leavers (but not boarders) who were aged four to 15 at 31/08/2018.

This report displays the following information about pupil/students and their attendance: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date-of-birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), termly sessions possible, termly absence sessions, on-roll status, termly attendance codes (divided into authorised and unauthorised sessions) and attendance not required (Y). Column totals are displayed at the bottom of each column.

A list of codes and their descriptions are displayed at the end of the report.

Absentees Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students and leavers (not boarders) who have an absence rate of 10% or above, with attendance one term ago (Start of autumn term to 31/12/2018), who were aged four to 15 at 31/08/2018.

The report provides the following information about the pupil/students who match the report criteria: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), number of sessions possible, session absence (i.e. the number of authorised plus unauthorised absences), on-roll status and enrolment status.

This report assists in the tracking of absence (particularly persistent absence) and highlights those absences that might need to be tracked.

SEN Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/student with SEN Provision/Status E (Education, Health and Care Plan) or K (SEN Support) and SEN Need Types ranked 1 and 2 for pupil/students with Education, Health and Care Plan or SEN Support.

This report provides a list of pupil/students who have special educational needs. Displayed are their UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), SEN provision, member of SEN unit and member of resourced provision indicator, SEN type ranking, SEN type and on-roll status.

Address Details Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students on-roll on census day.

This report provides a list of pupil/students, their UPN, former UPN, legal surname, legal forename, middle name(s), post code, unique property reference number (UPRN), address details and the administrative area/county.

Definition: Unique Property Reference Number (UPRN) is a unique identifier (reference number) that links together related address records across different software programmes. This enables organisations to collate and share information based on a common reference number.

School Dinner Taken Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students on-roll on census day, who have taken school dinner on the reference date.

- Pupil/students in Year Taught In R, 1 and 2.
- Pupil/students in Year Taught In X who are aged four to six and who were born between 01/09/2011 and 31/08/2014 inclusive (Special schools only).

The report header also displays the total number of pupil/students, the total number of school dinners taken and the total number of school dinners not taken.

This report provides the following information about pupil/students who match the report criteria: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI) and school dinner taken (yes/no).

Free School Meal Eligibility Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students on census day who were eligible for free school meals on or after 05/10/2018 and up to and including census day.

This report provides information on free school meal eligibility for pupil/students who match the report criteria: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), free school meal eligibility start date, end date and the UK country in which the eligibility applies, and on-roll status.

NOTES: This report includes any free school meals recorded outside of England, e.g. Wales.

Only Free School Meals records where the country recorded is England or <black> attract the Pupil Premium.

Learner Support Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students and leavers aged 16 plus at 31/08/2018 who have been awarded Vulnerable Group and/or Discretionary Bursary funding from 01/08/2018 to 17/01/2019.

This report provides information about the applicable pupil/students: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), learner support and on-roll status.

Top-up Funding Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students who have been awarded Top-up Funding as at census day.

The report provides the following information: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI) and SEN provision.

Early Years Report

Report Criteria: Pupils with early years data who are on-roll on census day.

- All two year old pupils who were born between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2016 (Hours at Setting and Funded Hours only)
- All three year old pupils who were born between 01/09/2014 and 31/12/2015
- All four year old pupils who were born between 01/09/2013 and 31/08/2014 (with Year Taught In E1, E2, N1 and N2).

The report displays the following information: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), hours at setting, funded hours, 30 hour code, extended funded hours and disability access fund.

EYPPR Report

Report Criteria: Pupil/students on-roll on census day.

- All 3 year olds born between 01/09/2014 and 31/12/2015 (inclusive)
- 4 year olds (for other than Nursery in E1, E2, N1 and N2 only) born between 01/09/2013 and 31/08/2014 (inclusive)
- 4 year olds (for Nursery all pupils).

The Early Years Pupil Premium Receipt (EYPPR) report provides a list of all pupil/students, their UPN, legal surname, legal forename, preferred surname, former surname, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), post looked after arrangements, hours at setting, funded hours and their basis for EYPP eligibility (e.g. receipt-economic, receipt-other, receipt-economic and other, receipt-unknown or not eligible).

2 Year Old Basis for Funding Report

Report Criteria: Pupils on-roll on census day having two year old basis for funding data. All two year olds who were born between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2016.

The report displays the following information: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI), hours at setting, funded hours, economic criteria, high level SEN or disability and looked after or adopted from care status.

Post Looked After Arrangements Report

Report Criteria: On-roll pupil/students who have post looked after arrangements as at census day.

The report provides the following information about pupil/students who have post looked after arrangements: UPN, legal surname, legal forename, date of birth (DOB), gender, year taught in (YTI) and post looked after arrangements, e.g. ceased to be looked after through a special guardianship order (SGO).

Class Report

Report Criteria: Classes on the selected period on the reference date.

This report provides the following class information: class name, number of on-roll pupil/students in class, number of guest pupil/students in class, number of teachers, number of support staff and the year taught in (YTI). Class type, key stage and class activity are also displayed for the primary curriculum classes.

Displayed at the bottom of this report is the pupil/student reconciliation data:

- part-time pupil/students not at school
- private study pupil/students
- pupil/students at another school
- pupil/students on work experience
- pupil/students at Further Education colleges
- total pupil/students not in class at selected period.

General Report

Where applicable, the General report provides information about:

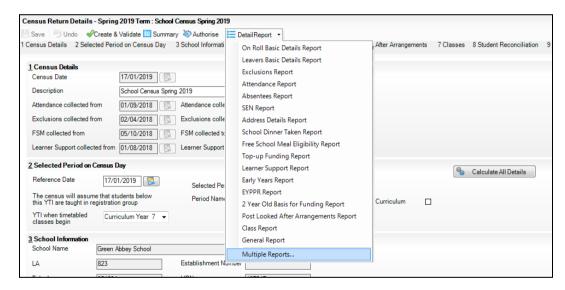
- free school meals taken on census day.
- all appeals that were made in the academic year 2017/2018 against a refusal to admit a pupil/student into the school for the 2018/2019 academic year:
 - infant admission appeals
 - primary admission appeals
 - secondary admission appeals.
- childcare provisions during the 2018/2019 academic year.

The report displays the following information: childcare type, on site, signposted, opening time, closing time, number of childcare places, provider, other schools and weeks open.

Generating Detail Reports

Selecting a Single Detail Report

Select the required report from the **Detail Report** drop-down list located at the top of the Census Return Details page. The selected report is generated automatically.



Selecting Multiple Detail Reports

Select Multiple reports... from the bottom of the Detail Report drop-down list to display the **Detail Reports** dialog. By default, all detail reports are selected.



- If any reports are not required, deselect the associated check box. 2.
- Click the **Report** button to generate the selected reports.

The report(s) are displayed in your web browser, e.g. Internet Explorer®, from where the data can be transferred to a spreadsheet such as Microsoft® Excel if required.

The report(s) are saved automatically in the Census Folder, which was specified in the Census Return browser, e.g. C:\SCHOOL CENSUS. For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

The report is saved with a filename that consists of the following data fields separated by underscores ('_'):

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<LACode><SchoolNumber>_<SurveyType>_<LACode><LL><Year>_
<SerialNumber>_<name of the report>_.html
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For example:

8234321 SC1 823LL19 001 onroll basic details report.html.

Printing a Report from your Web Browser

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any printed reports containing information that could identify a person (e.g. their name, address, UPN, etc.) should be used for validation purposes only and should not be retained. The Security Message (displayed at the top of each report) can be customised to include instructions for the destruction of the printed reports, if required.

- With the generated report displayed in your web browser, select the Print option (Ctrl+P) to display the Print dialog.
- Ensure that the print settings are correct then click the **Print** button. 2.
- Click the Close button on the top right-hand corner of the web page to close the report and return to the census page.

Transferring Report Data to a Spreadsheet

Transferring a report to a spreadsheet application enables the data to be sorted, the column order to be changed, etc.

With the generated report displayed in your web browser, right-click the report and then select the required option, e.g. Export to Microsoft Excel, from the drop-down list.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The spreadsheet contains the same level of sensitive information as the original HTML report from which the information was transferred. Therefore, the spreadsheet file must be saved to a folder with the same level of security.

Deleting Temporary Web Browser Files

It is recommended that, after viewing statutory returns reports, you delete any temporary web browser files to ensure that any cached data (i.e. data stored on the PC itself, which enables high-speed access to previously viewed data) is removed.

This prevents the information, e.g. copies of web pages that are stored in the local cache for faster viewing, remaining on the hard disk of the PC in the temporary directory, where they are not secure because they can still be accessed.

Deleting the cache in Internet Explorer 10

- Open Internet Explorer 10, then select Tools | Internet options to display the Internet Options dialog.
- 2. Select the General tab.
- In the Browsing history section, click the Delete button to display the Delete Browsing History dialog.
- Ensure that the Temporary Internet Files and website files check box is selected then click the **Delete** button.
 - All temporary files (including any Statutory Returns reports files) that the browser has cached are deleted.
- 5 Click the **OK** button.

Deleting the cache in Internet Explorer 8 and 9

- Open Internet Explorer 8 or 9, then click the Tools button located at the far right-hand side of the toolbar.
- Select **Internet options** from the drop-down list to display the **Internet** 2. Options dialog.
- Select the **General** tab. 3.
- In the **Browsing history** section, click the **Delete** button to display the Delete Browsing History dialog.
- Ensure that the Temporary Internet Files check box is selected then click the **Delete** button.

All temporary files (including any Statutory Returns reports files) that the browser has cached are deleted.

Click the **OK** button.

If a different web browser is in use, please refer to the help file applicable to that software package.

Producing the Summary Report

The Summary report enables the school staff, who are involved in the return's preparation, to assess the accuracy and completeness of the return data. It should then be passed to the Head Teacher for their review.

NOTE: When the return is authorised, the Summary report is automatically generated and displayed in your web browser, e.g. Windows® Internet Explorer.

Generating the Summary Report

Click the Summary button located at the top of the Census Return **Details** page. The report is automatically displayed in your web browser, e.g. Internet Explorer, but can be transferred to a spreadsheet such as Microsoft® Excel if required.

The report is saved automatically in the Census Folder, which was specified in the Census Return browser, e.g. C:\SCHOOL CENSUS. For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

The report is saved with a filename that consists of the following data fields separated by underscores ('_'):

<LACode><SchoolNumber>_<SurveyType>_<LACode><LL><Year>_ <SerialNumber>_<name of the report>_.html

For example: 8234321_SC1_820LL19_001_Summary_Report.html.

It is important that the Head Teacher checks all the information on the Summary report before the return is authorised. Your LA might request that a copy of the Summary report is signed by the Head Teacher and sent to the LA when the return has been authorised.

Editing an Unauthorised Return

The return details, e.g. **Description**, **School Information**, etc. can be edited via the Census Return Details page at any time prior to authorisation.

IMPORTANT NOTE: An authorised return cannot be edited. If changes are required to an authorised return, use the Copy facility to produce a duplicate return (with a unique description) in which the changes can be made.

- Select Routines | Statutory Returns | <census name > to display the 1. browser.
- Ensure that the Census Folder and the Security message for Reports are correct then click the Search button to display any previously created returns. Unauthorised returns can be recognised by their .UNA suffix.
- Double-click the required return. Alternatively, highlight the required return then click the **Open** button to display the **Census Return Details** page.
- 4. Edit the return details as required.
- 5. Click the Create & Validate button to display the Validation Errors Summary panel.
- Resolve any errors and check any queries before running the Summary 6. report and detail reports to ensure that the information is correct.
- 7. Repeat the editing process again, if necessary.
- Click the **Save** button 8



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Authorising the Return

A return must be authorised before it can be submitted to your Local Authority or uploaded to the DfE COLLECT data collection website (as applicable to your school).

Before authorising the return, you should ensure that all the information displayed on the Census Return Details page is correct and does not require further editing. This is because it is not possible to edit details after the return is authorised. The Summary report can assist in reviewing the information.

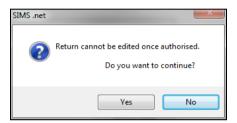
Click the Authorise button.

If missing marks exist, the following message is displayed.



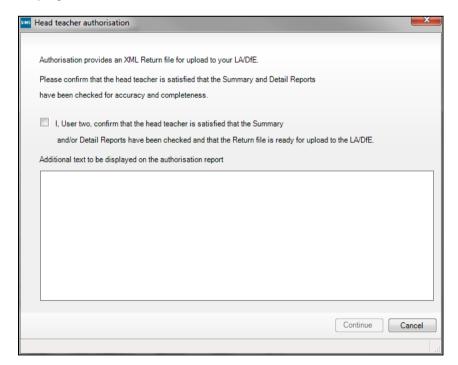
Click the Yes button to continue with the authorisation process or the No button if you want to return to SIMS where the missing marks can be entered.

If you choose to continue, a message reminds you that the return cannot be edited once it is authorised.



Click the Yes button to continue or the No button to return to SIMS where edits can be made to the data before authorising.

If you choose to continue, the **Head teacher authorisation** dialog is displayed.



- Enter any additional text to be displayed on the authorisation report, if required. This may be requested by your LA, e.g. to explain the reason for any validation failures.
- Select the confirmation check box to confirm that the Head Teacher is satisfied that the Summary and/or detail reports have been checked and that the return file is ready for upload to your LA/DfE.
 - When the confirmation check box is selected, the **Continue** button is activated enabling you to complete the authorisation process.
- Click the **Continue** button to authorise the return.
 - The Summary report, Authorisation report and Validation Errors Summary report are generated automatically and displayed in your web browser, from where they can be printed, if required.
 - The return file extension changes automatically from UNA (unauthorised) to XML (authorised).
 - All details, i.e. the reports and the XML file, are saved in the Census Folder, which was specified previously in the Census Return for <season> <year> Term browser.

All reports can be viewed via Tools | Statutory Return Tools | Retrieve Authorised Census Return Files. This routine also provides the opportunity to download the files to a different folder.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Ensure that authorised personnel only have access to the download folder because the retrieved files contain sensitive information.

For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

If you authorise a return and subsequently need to make amendments, you must either make a copy of the return and work on the copy, or create a new return.

After the return is authorised, reports based on cohorts can be created (via Reports | Design Reports), so that items collected in the return can be tracked. Provided that Student has been selected as the data area, the Statutory Returns sub-report is available for selection when specifying the fields to be included in the report (the last node).



Additional Resources:

Designing and Running Reports handbook



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Submitting the Return

When the return has been completed and the Summary report has been signed by the Head Teacher (if requested to do so by your LA), the .XML file can be uploaded to the DfE COLLECT data collection website or sent to your LA, depending on the instructions you have been given.

Guidance about how Local Authorities, schools and academies should submit school census data is available on the GOV.UK website (https://www.gov.uk/guidance/school-census).

The authorised return file is located in the folder previously specified in the return browser. For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

IMPORTANT NOTE: An authorised file cannot be edited. If you need to make changes to an authorised file, you must make a copy of the original file, rename it and work on the copy.

Retrieving Authorised Census Return Files

Authorised returns are stored in your Document Management Server (DMS). The Returns Manager can download and run the reports associated with previous authorised returns enabling the data for the current return to be compared with that submitted previously.

- Select Tools | Statutory Returns Tools | Retrieve Authorised Census Return Files to display the Retrieve Authorised Census Return Files for <census name > page.
- Select the type of census required from the **Return Type** drop-down list to display a list of previous returns that match the selected criteria.
- By default, the files **Download to** the folder specified in the census browser. To specify a different folder:
 - Click the **Select a Folder** button (...) to display the **Browse For** Folder dialog. Navigate to the location of the required folder then highlight it. If a suitable folder does not exist, click the Make New Folder button then enter a suitable folder name.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Ensure that authorised personnel only have access to the download folder because the retrieved files contain sensitive information.

For guidance on navigating to files on your local workstation when you are working in a Hosted environment, please contact your System Manager or Local Support Unit.

Click the **OK** button to select or create the folder then return to the Retrieve Authorised Return Files for <census name > page where the chosen folder name is displayed in the **Download to** field.

Highlight the return you wish to retrieve then click the Retrieve Files button.

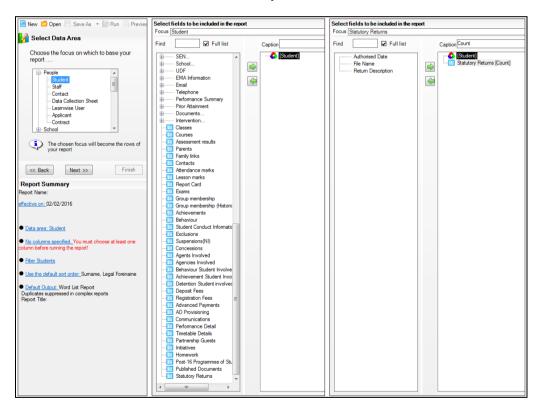
The authorised return file (i.e. the XML file) and all reports associated with the selected return are downloaded from your DMS to the specified folder. The folder and its contents are then displayed automatically, enabling you to open the required files in your web browser.

The contents of the specified folder can be viewed again by clicking the Folder button adjacent to the **Download to** field.

If you want to create reports based on cohorts, so that items collected in the return can be tracked, a sub-report is available (via Reports | Design Reports).

The Statutory Returns sub-report is available for selection only if Student has been selected as the Data Area.

When you Select fields to be included in the report, the Statutory **Returns** sub-report is located at the bottom of the list (the last node). Three options are available for selection under this sub-report: Authorised Date, File Name and Return Description.





Additional Resources:

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Copying a Return

An unauthorised return can be copied and saved as a new return. This enables a 'snapshot' of a return to be taken at any time providing a backup of any manual changes that have been made to the return, for example before recalculating details.

This functionality can also be used to make a copy of an authorised return if the LA or DfE requires it to be resubmitted. The necessary corrections can then be made to the data. The copied return must be saved, created, validated and authorised before resubmitting.

NOTE: Ensure that the return you wish to replicate is not open at the time of copying.

- Select Routines | Statutory Returns | <name of census> to display the census browser.
- 2 Click the **Search** button to ensure that the list of returns is displayed.
- Highlight the file you wish to copy then click the **Copy** button.

A message requests confirmation that you wish to make a copy of the selected return.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any values for attendance (where applicable), Early Years, Post Looked After Arrangements and Top-up Funding will not be copied but will be populated from the current values held in the database.

The Create & Validate routine must be run to generate a new census file.

Click the Yes button to make the copy, which is then displayed in the browser as:

Copy of <description of selected file>.

- To rename the copied return, highlight it then click the **Open** button to display the Return Details page.
- In the Census Details panel, edit the Description then click the Save button.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The new **Description** must be unique for this return. SIMS will not save the data if a duplicate return description is found.

Deleting an Unauthorised Return

During the return process, a number of copies of the return may be created, e.g. to track progress. When the return has been authorised successfully, it is advisable to delete any versions of the return that are no longer required. This keeps the number of files in the storage folder and listed in the browser to a minimum, therefore removing confusion and lessening the risk of selecting the wrong return.

The delete routine can be used to remove unwanted returns at any time prior to the relevant return being authorised.

IMPORTANT NOTES: When a return file is deleted, any associated files, e.g. Validation Errors Summary, detail reports, etc. that have been produced are also deleted.

Any return files that have already been authorised cannot be deleted.

- Select Routines | Statutory Returns | <Return name> to display the browser.
- Click the **Search** button to ensure that the list of return files is displayed. 2.
- Highlight the return file to be deleted then click the **Delete** button. A message prompts for confirmation that the selected return should be deleted.
- 4. Click the **Yes** button to permanently delete the selected return file and all associated report files.
 - The deleted return file is removed from the browser and the storage folder, along with any associated reports.

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