Suspensions and Exclusions Data 2025

National Data:

Headline facts and figures - 2023/24

Suspensions
954,952
Up from 786,961 in 2022/23
▶ What are suspensions?

Suspension (rate)
11.31
Up from 9.33 in 2022/23
▶ What is the suspension rate?

Permanent exclusions
10,885
Up from 9,376 in 2022/23
▶ What are permanent exclusions?

Permanent exclusions (rate)
0.13
Up from 0.11 in 2022/23
▶ What is the permanent exclusion rate?

There were 955,000 suspensions in the 2023/24 academic year

This is a 21% increase from the previous year, when 787,000 suspensions occurred, and equivalent to 1,131 suspensions per 10,000 pupils.

There were 10,900 permanent exclusions in the 2023/24 academic year

This is a 16% increase from 9,400 in 2022/23 and equivalent to 13 permanent exclusions for every 10,000 pupils.

The most common reason for suspensions and permanent exclusions was persistent disruptive behaviour

Persistent disruptive behaviour accounted for 51% of all reasons given for suspension and for 39% of reasons for permanent exclusions. This is in line with previous years where this reason was the most commonly recorded.

Bath and North East Somerset Data (23/24):

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'Suspensions and permanent exclusions - by geography' in Bath and North East Somerset, England and South West between 2022/23 and 2023/24

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	2023/24			2022/23		
	England	South West		England	South West	
		South West	Bath and North East Somerset		South West	Bath and North East Somerset
Suspension (rate)	11.31	15.16	13.03	9.33	11.72	9.28
Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.13	0.15	0.10	0.11	0.13	0.14
Pupil enrolments with one or more suspension (rate)	4.04	4.60	4.47	3.61	3.98	3.88

- Last year we saw a drop in the permanent exclusion rate, placing us below the national and regional average. This was despite there being an increase in most local authorities and nationally.
- Our suspension rate increased, in line with regional. But this suspension rate is still above the national average and remains a target for the local authority to address alongside MATs.

- **Suspensions and Exclusions by Pupil Characteristic:**

Children with a social worker:

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'LA - Suspensions and permanent exclusions' for CINO at 31 March, CLA 12 months at 31 March and CPPO at 31 March in Bath and North East Somerset, England and South West for 2022/23

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		England	South West	
			South West	Bath and North East Somerset
CINO at 31 March	Percentage of pupils permanently excluded	0.91%	1.47%	1.42%
	Percentage of pupils with one or more suspension	13.62%	17.29%	14.66%
CLA 12 months at 31 March	Percentage of pupils permanently excluded	0.10%	c	0.00%
	Percentage of pupils with one or more suspension	13.72%	15.94%	11.88%
CPPO at 31 March	Percentage of pupils permanently excluded	1.31%	2.31%	c
	Percentage of pupils with one or more suspension	16.05%	19.73%	21.28%

- For our children who are cared for by us, there were no permanent exclusions and our suspension rate sits below both the national and regional.
- In 2022/2023, our data for children open to child protection was higher than regional and national. Our internal data for this past academic year shows no child with a permanent exclusion and our suspension rate has fallen to below both regional and national.
- In 2022/203 our data for children open to a child in need plan sat above national and below regional. Last year we had 7 children who had a permanent exclusion and our suspension rate for this cohort remains high.

Children Eligible for free school meals (FSM):

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'Suspensions and permanent exclusions - by characteristic' for FSM - Eligible and FSM - Not eligible in Bath and North East Somerset, England and South West between 2022/23 and 2023/24

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			FSM			
			FSM - Eligible		FSM - Not eligible	
			2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23
England		Suspension (rate)	27.55	21.70	5.99	5.47
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.33	0.29	0.06	0.06
South West	South West	Suspension (rate)	41.23	30.54	8.45	7.04
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.43	0.40	0.07	0.06
	Bath and North East Somerset	Suspension (rate)	43.34	27.81	6.69	5.52
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.46	0.54	0.03	0.06

- Whilst our permanent exclusion rate has fallen for pupils who receive free school meals, our suspension data has seen a significant increase, placing us well above the national data

SEND

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'Suspensions and permanent exclusions - by characteristic' for EHC plan, No identified SEN and SEN support in Bath and North East Somerset, England and South West between 2022/23 and 2023/24

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			SEN provision					
			SEN support		EHC plan		No identified SEN	
			2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23
England		Suspension (rate)	29.43	24.42	25.62	21.60	7.55	6.38
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.41	0.37	0.26	0.20	0.08	0.07
South West	South West	Suspension (rate)	42.08	32.87	38.32	31.22	9.12	7.17
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.51	0.46	0.34	0.31	0.07	0.07
	Bath and North East Somerset	Suspension (rate)	42.58	24.55	36.47	35.55	6.60	5.33
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.28	0.38	0.00	0.14	0.08	0.11

- Our permanent exclusion data shows a decrease across all areas, which goes against the national trend.
- Our suspension data has risen in all areas, again in line with national trends but this is most significant for pupils who are on SEN support where we sit well above the national average but close to the regional average.

- **Ethnicity – Shared by Ethnicity Major**

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'Suspensions and permanent exclusions - by characteristic' for Any other ethnic group, Asian / Asian British, Black / African / Caribbean / Black British, Ethnicity Unclassified, Mixed / Multiple ethnic groups and 1 other filter in Bath and North East Somerset, England and South West between 2022/23 and 2023/24

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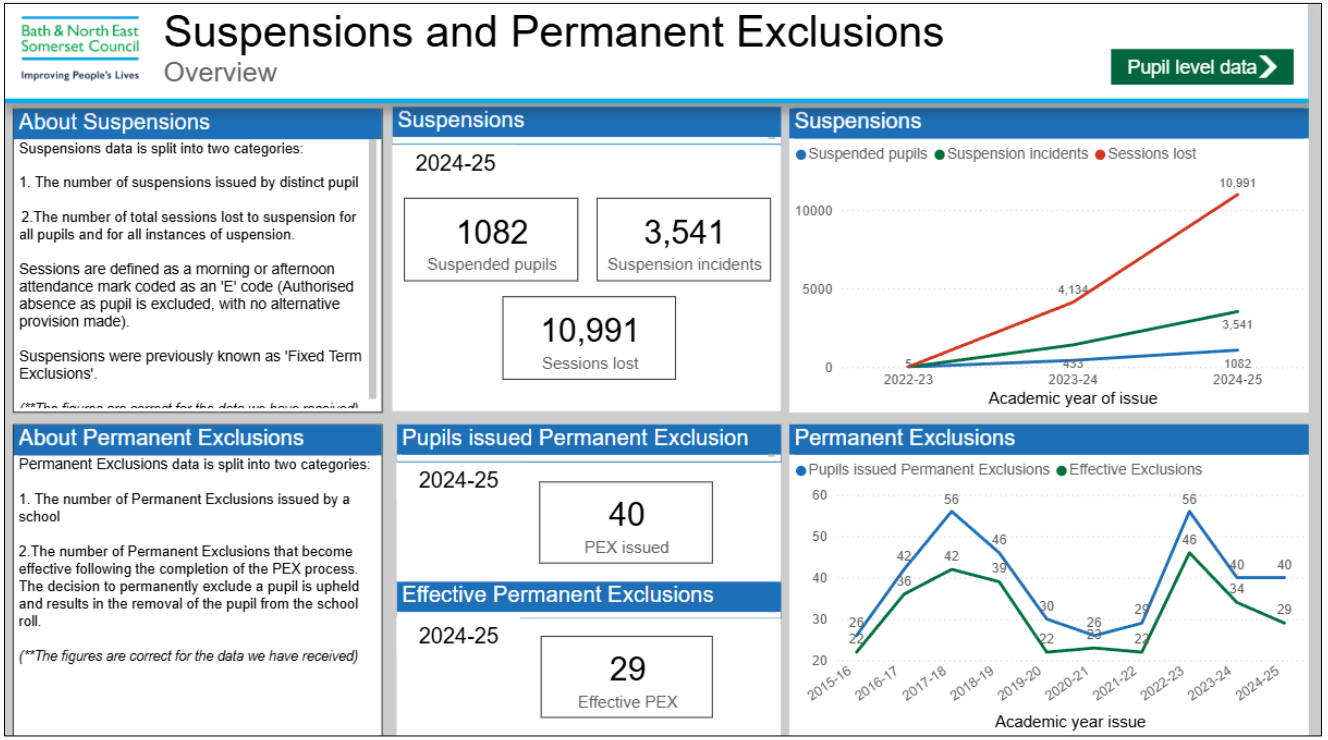
			England		South West			
					South West		Bath and North East Somerset	
			2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23
Ethnicity Major	Asian / Asian British	Suspension (rate)	3.75	3.16	2.73	2.55	2.76	3.00
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.14
	Black / African / Caribbean / Black British	Suspension (rate)	7.84	7.17	9.96	9.94	12.82	5.11
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.10	0.09	0.14	0.10	0.00	0.00
	Mixed / Multiple ethnic groups	Suspension (rate)	11.66	10.01	15.90	13.34	15.93	12.67
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.16	0.14	0.19	0.15	0.12	0.13
	White	Suspension (rate)	13.07	10.60	15.86	12.05	12.93	9.05
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.14	0.12	0.15	0.13	0.10	0.14
	Any other ethnic group	Suspension (rate)	7.20	5.86	9.41	6.81	6.25	8.04
		Permanent exclusions (rate)	0.09	0.06	0.12	0.09	0.00	0.00

- Our permanent exclusion rate shows that our data sits below the national and regional average for all ethnic major groups.
- Our suspension rate sits above both regional and national for ethnicity major black and mixed, with the greatest increase being for ethnicity major black.

Internal data for 2024/2025:

Overall numbers:



- At the time of writing this, there were still 3 PEX's working the way through the process so we end the year on 32 effective PEX, a slight decrease on last year which will place us below the national and regional averages.
- Our suspensions, in line with national, have increased and the suspension rate will place us above national and regional averages.