

## Response to Request for Information

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### *Children in Care*

#### **Request:**

This is a Freedom of Information request for the following information:

- 1) How many children are in local authority care currently?  
639
- 2) What is the unit price for a child in care, under social services? (I am happy to accept an average cost).

#### *Average weekly costs:*

Internal Fostering	£348
Supported Accommodation	£260
Internal Residential	N/A
External Fostering (IFA's)	£774
External Residential	£3,651
Secure Placement	£1,825

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