

SEN2 DfE Statistics

June 2025

This publication provides data on children and young people with an education, health and care (EHC) plan and, historically, for those with a statement of special educational needs (SEN).

Data is presented for both the caseload as at January 2025, for example the number of EHC plans, and for activity during the 2024 calendar year, for example the number of new EHC plans in the calendar year.

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Caseload Characteristics as at January 2025

3695

EHCPs

Increase of 8.4% from 2024

52.9%

in mainstream setting

Higher than national figure of 43.6%

SLCN

Most Prevalent Need (31.7%)

Nationally ASD most prevalent need

17.0%

in specialist setting

Lower than national figure of 30.4%

Caseload Activity

98.1%

CYPs with a review recorded

Higher than national figure of 86.5%

91.6%

review decisions in 4 weeks

Higher than national figure of 44.4%

49.9%

Review outcomes to amend

Higher than national figure of 48.4%

302

EHCPs discontinued

Increase of 11.4% from 2023

New EHCPs issued 2024

719

initial requests

Increase of 43 (6%) from 2023

483

new EHCPs issued

Decrease of 39 (-7.5%) from 2023

75.8%

compulsory school age

Lower than the national figure of 77.5%

SEMH

Most Prevalent Need (41.2%)

Nationally SLCN most prevalent need

Assessment Activity 2024

96.0%

EHCPs issued in 20-weeks

Higher than the national figure 45.9%

38.4%

Requests refused assessment

Higher than the national figure 25.2%

97.7%

assessment decisions in 6 weeks

Higher than the national figure 84.8%

38.1%

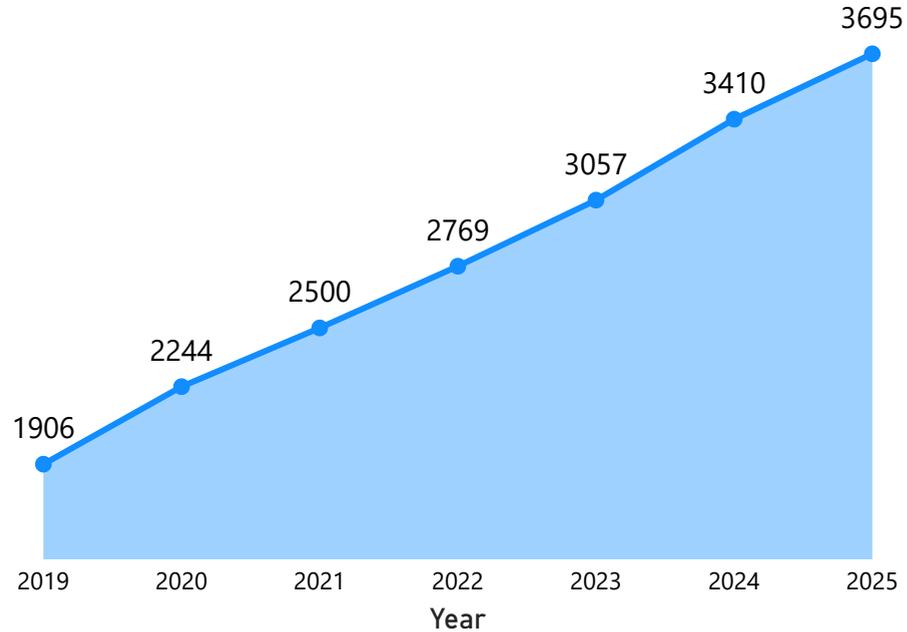
not to issue decisions in 16-weeks

Higher than the national figure 34.1%

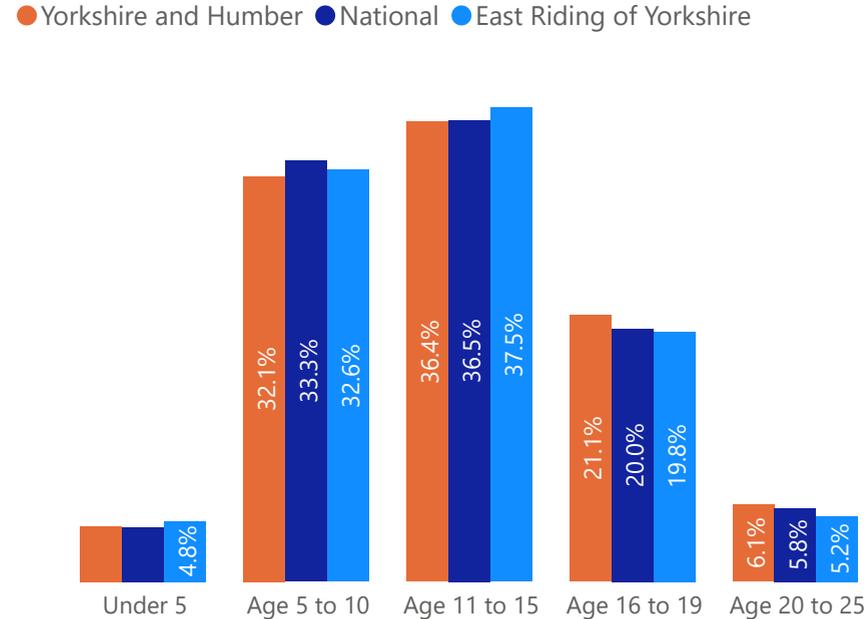


EHC Plans Maintained: January 2025

EHCs and Statements Maintained in the East Riding



Age Band of EHCs Maintained



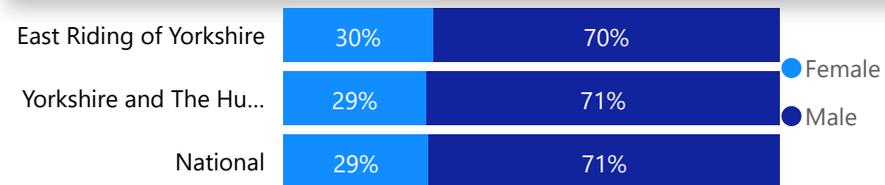
What the Data Tells Us

- 3695 plans were maintained in January 2025. This is a 8.4% increase from the previous year.
- The increase in EHCs maintained is less than the increases seen nationally and regionally.
- Those aged 11-15 account for the largest proportion of EHCs maintained which matches national and regional trends.
- The East Riding has a slightly larger proportion of EHCs maintained for those under 5: 4.8% compared to 4.3% nationally and maintains slightly less plans for those aged 20 to 25.
- 70% of EHCs are for males; whilst this is high, the same proportions are reflected nationally.

% difference from previous year



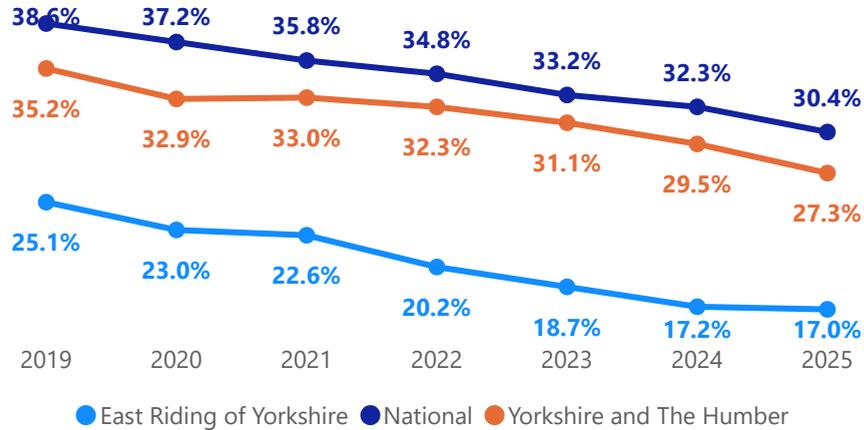
Sex of EHCs Maintained





EHC Plans Maintained: January 2025

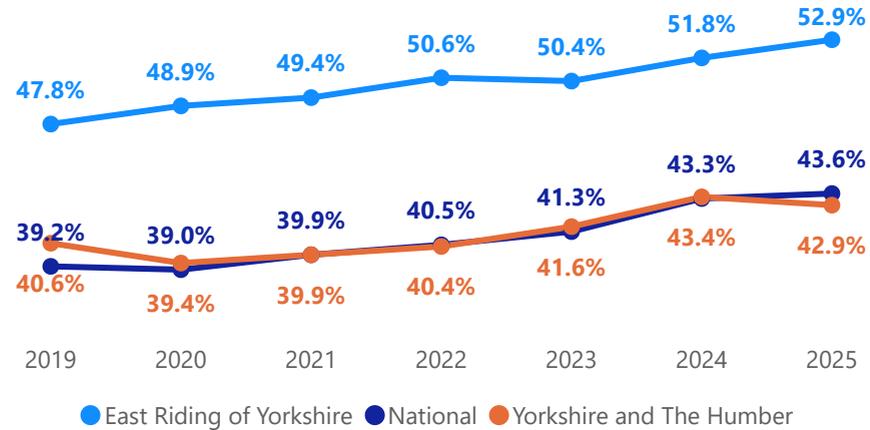
EHCs Maintained in Special Schools



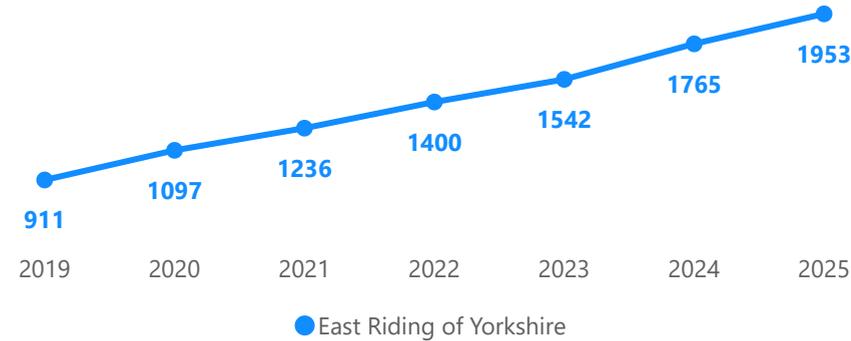
Number of CYPs in a Special School



EHCs Maintained in Mainstream Schools



Number of CYPs in a Mainstream School



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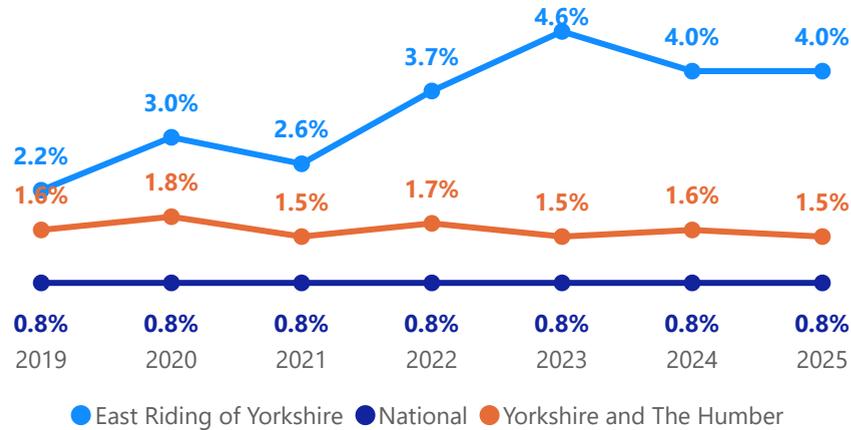
- Following the national trend, the proportion of EHCs placed in a special school setting continues to decline. However the proportion of East Riding EHCs in a special setting is far lower than those nationally; 17% in the East Riding compared to 30.4% nationally.
- Despite the overall number of CYPs in special schools on the census day increasing from 586 to 628 (a 7% increase) the proportion of the overall EHCP cohort placed in special schools still decreased due to the 8% increase in all EHCPs maintained in the East Riding.
- Due to fewer CYPs being placed in a specialist setting, the East Riding therefore have more EHCPs placed in a mainstream setting; 52.9% compared to 43.6% nationally



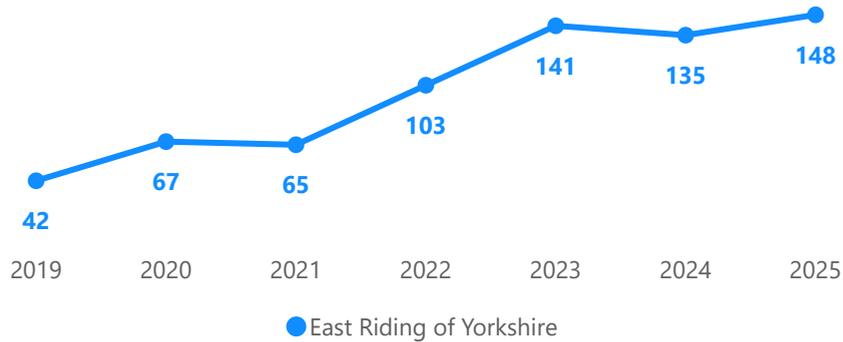


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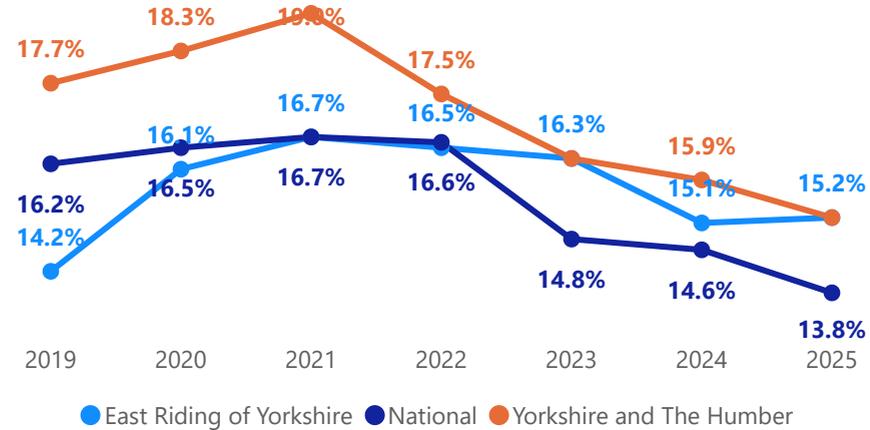
EHCs Maintained in AP/PRU Schools



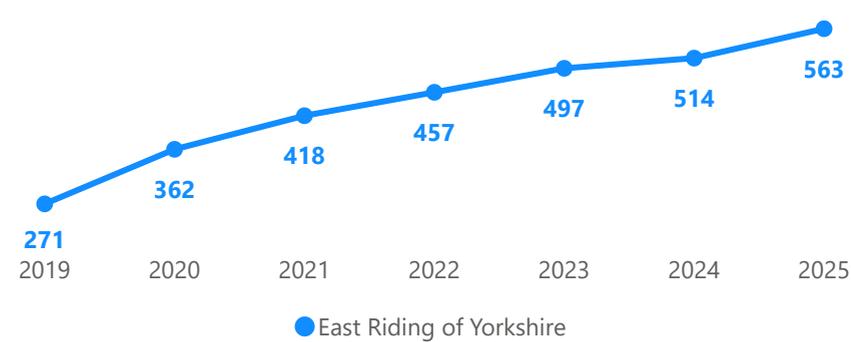
Number of CYPs in AP/PRU Schools



EHCs in Further Education and Post 16 Settings



Number of CYPs in Further Education and Post 16 Settings



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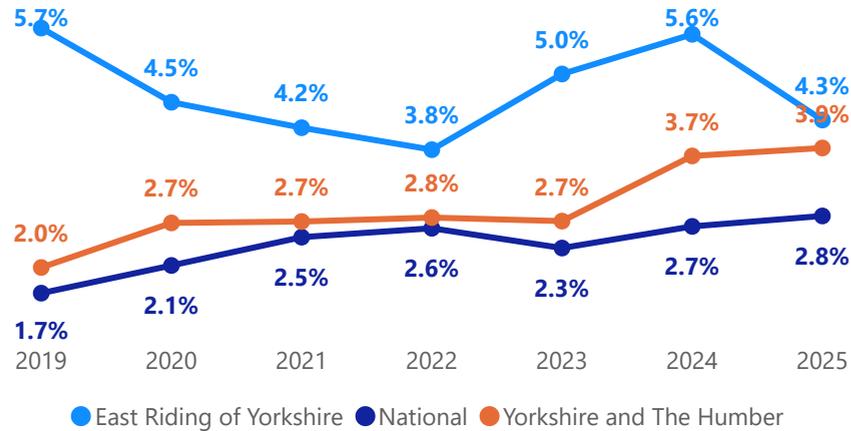
- The East Riding continues to have a high proportion of CYPs placed in alternative provision schools (AP) and Pupil referral Units (PRU); 4% in 2025 compared to 0.8% nationally.
- Further education and post 16 settings include general colleges, sixth form colleges, specialist post 16 settings and all other registered post 16 providers. The East Riding's figure of 15.2% is largely unchanged from the previous year and continues to be above national proportions.





EHC Plans Maintained: January 2025

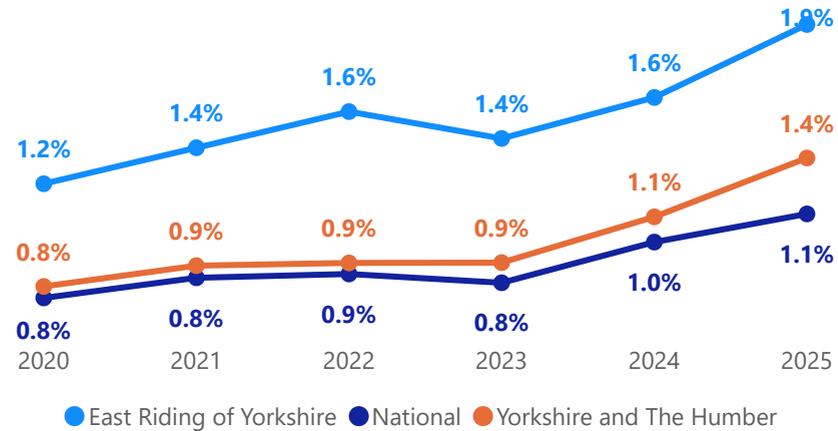
EHCPs Maintained who are NEET



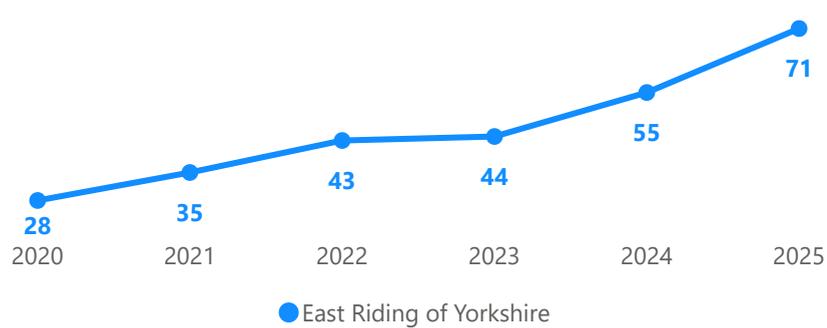
Number of CYPs NEET



EHCPs who are in Elective Home Education



Number of CYPs in Elective Home Education



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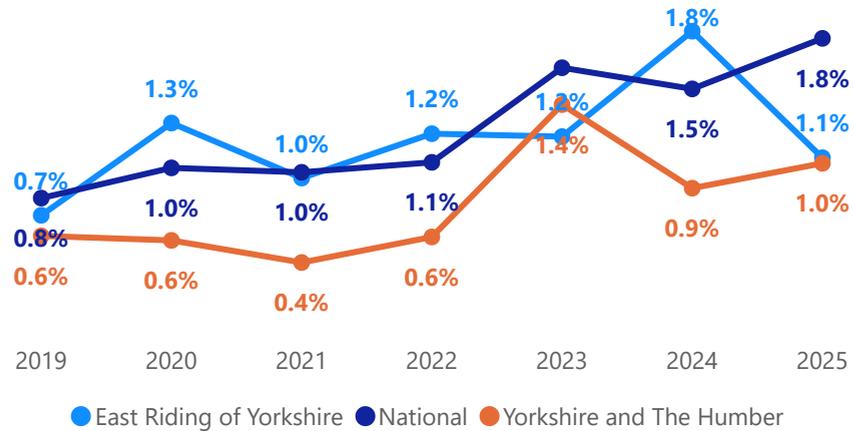
- Following a dedicated piece of work around the NEET (Not in Education, Training or Employment) cohort, the East Riding figure has reduced from 5.6% in 2024 to 4.3% in 2025.
- Despite this reduction, the East Riding proportion continues to sit above the national comparator of 2.8%.
- For a second year, the proportion of EHCPs maintained in the East Riding who are in elective home education (EHE) has risen and continues to sit above both national and regional comparators.
- There was a 30% increase in CYPs recorded as being EHE; 71 in 2025 compared to 55 in 2024.



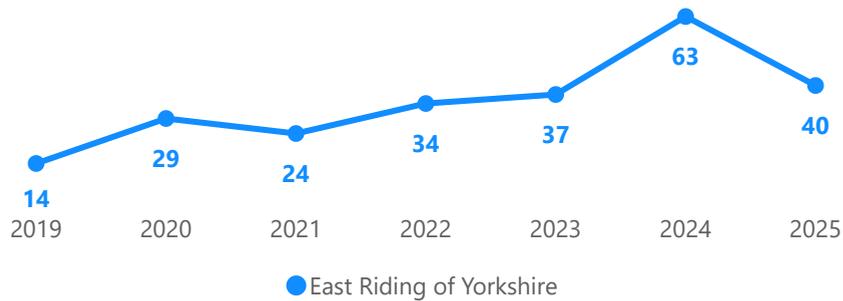


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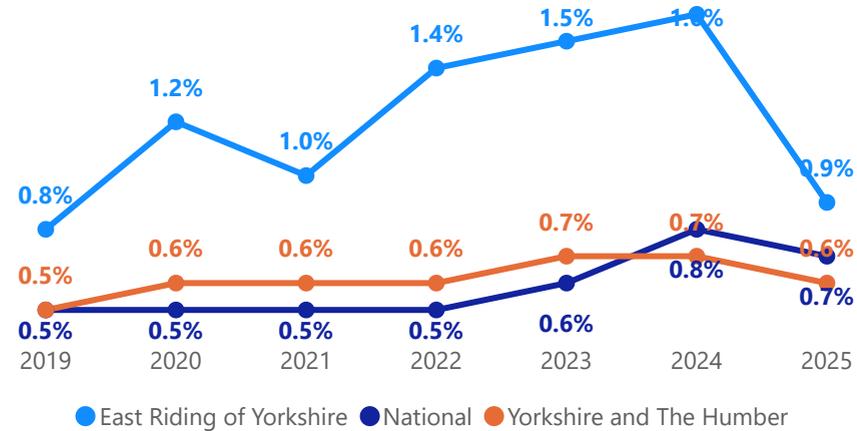
EHCs Maintained who are in EOTAS/C



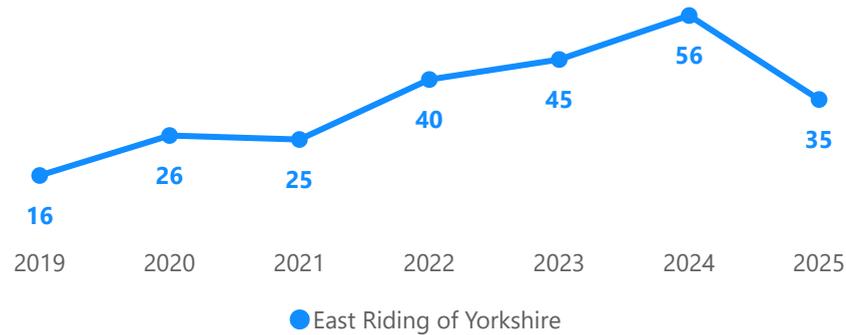
Number of CYPs in EOTAS/C



EHCs who are in Early Years Non-Maintained Settings



Number of CYPs in Early Years Non-Maintained Settings



What the Data Tells Us

- The proportion of CYPs educated other than at school/college has reduced significantly from the previous year; 1.1% in 2025 compared to 1.8% in 2024. East Riding's proportion of CYPs in EOTAS/C now sits below the national comparator of 1.8%.
- The change has arisen following a dedicated piece of work around those CYPs recorded as EOTAS; this included the identification and removal of CYPs in Section 19 Alternative Provision arrangements from the EOTAS cohort.
- There has been a significant reduction of the proportion of CYPs in non-maintained Early Years settings; down from 1.6% in 2024 to 0.9% in 2025. This reduction has brought the East Riding figure more in line with national and regional proportions.

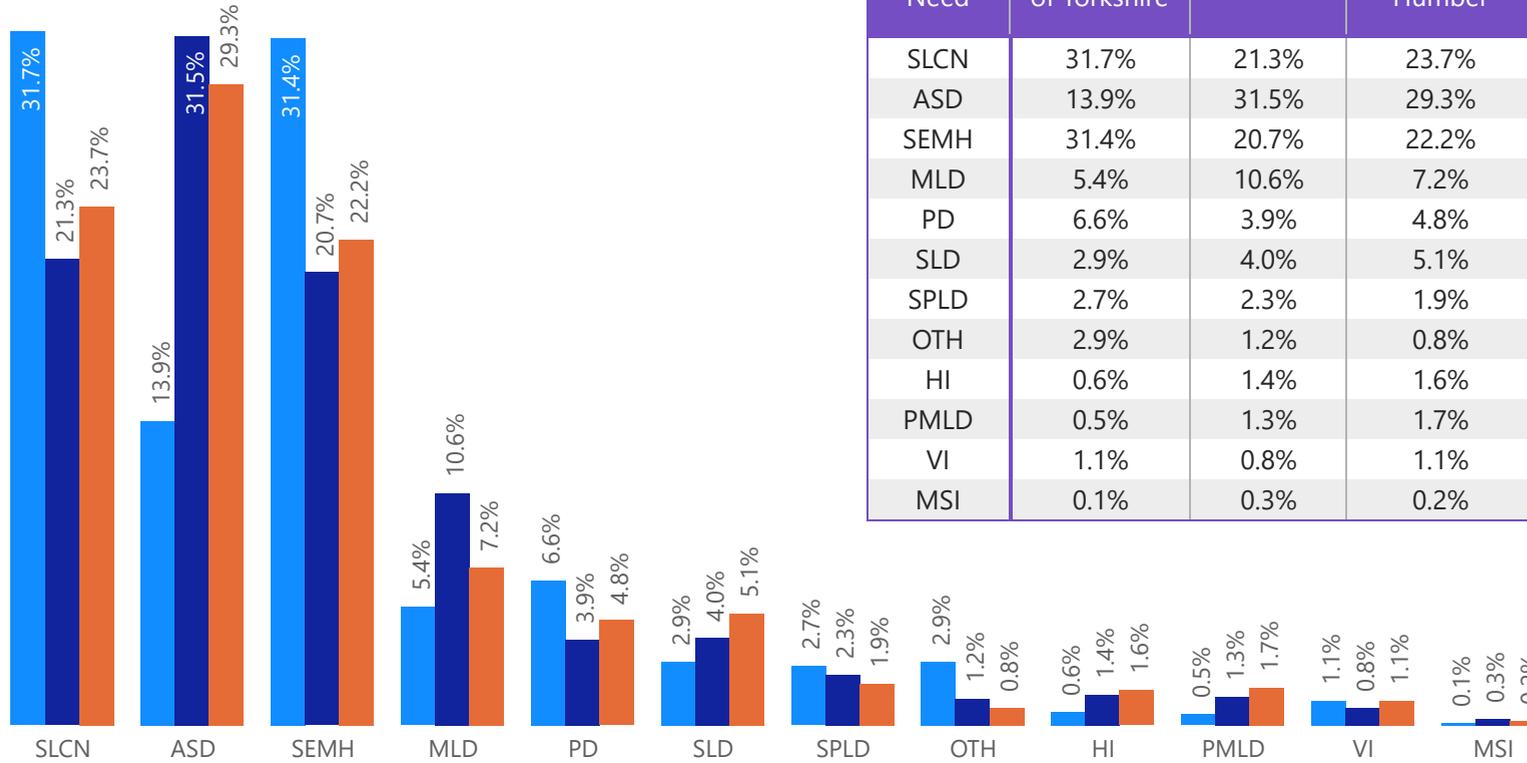




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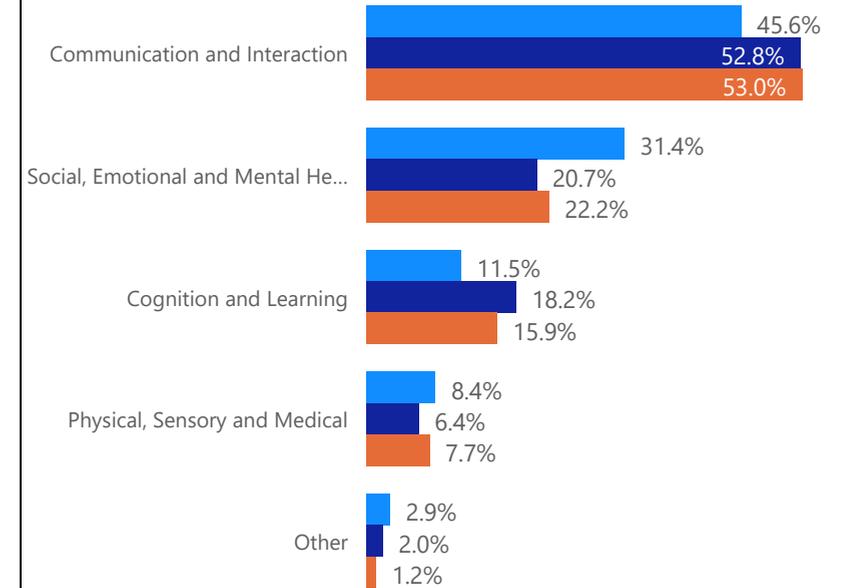
Primary Needs for EHCPs

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and Humber



Broad Area of Needs for EHCPs

● East Riding ● National ● Yorkshire and Humber



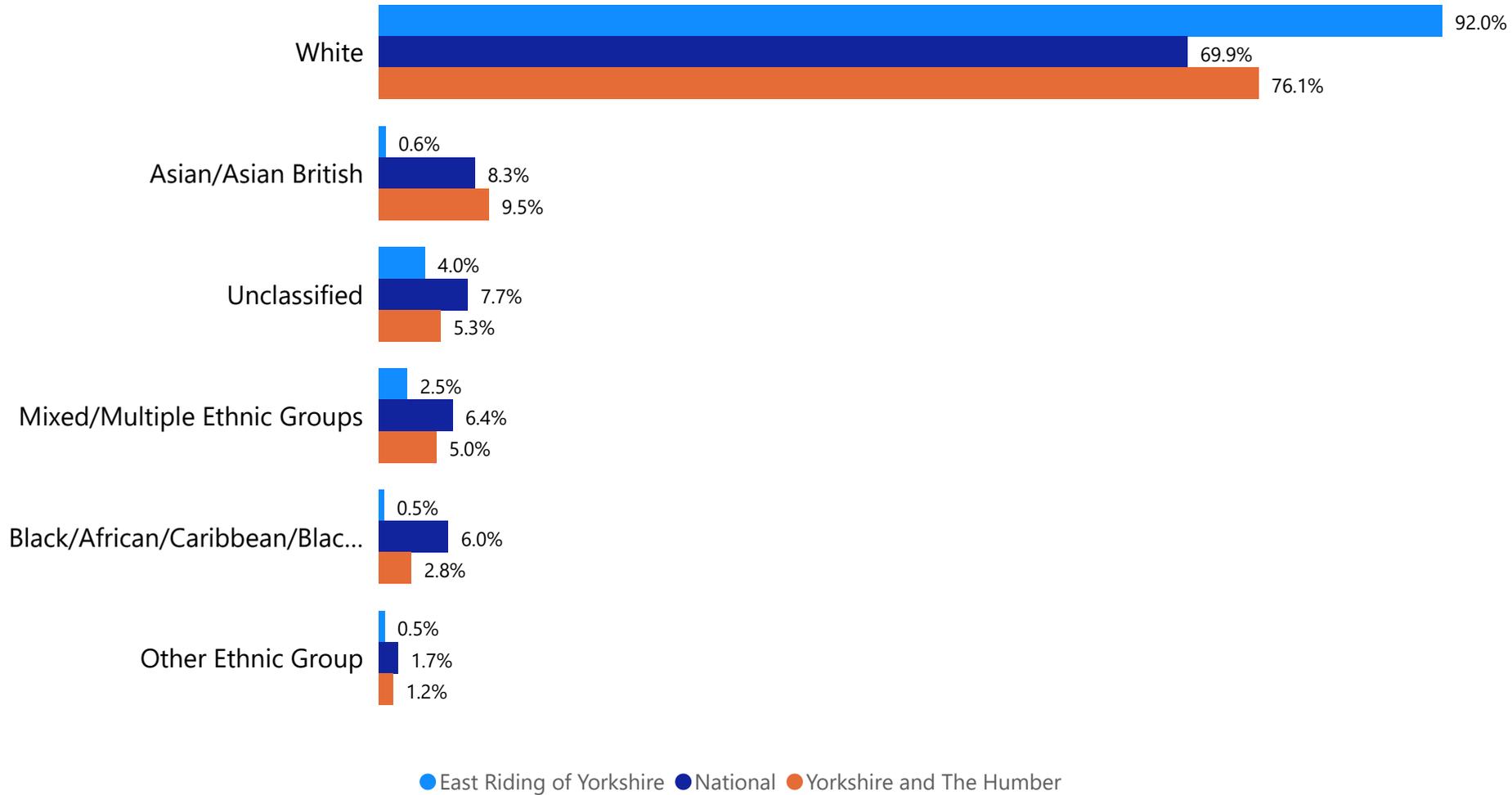
What the Data Tells Us

- Primary needs from the SEN2 census has been published for the first time in 2025. EHC plans where the primary need is Down Syndrome are included under "other difficulty/disability" category.
- The most prevalent needs recorded for EHCPs maintained by East Riding differs considerably from those nationally and regionally.
- The East Riding has a much higher proportion of CYPs recorded with SLCN and SEMH needs and a much lower proportion recorded with ASD.
- When looking at broad area of need then 46% of CYPs have Communication and Interaction as their primary need; lower than the national comparator of 53%





Ethnicity of EHCPs



What the Data Tells Us

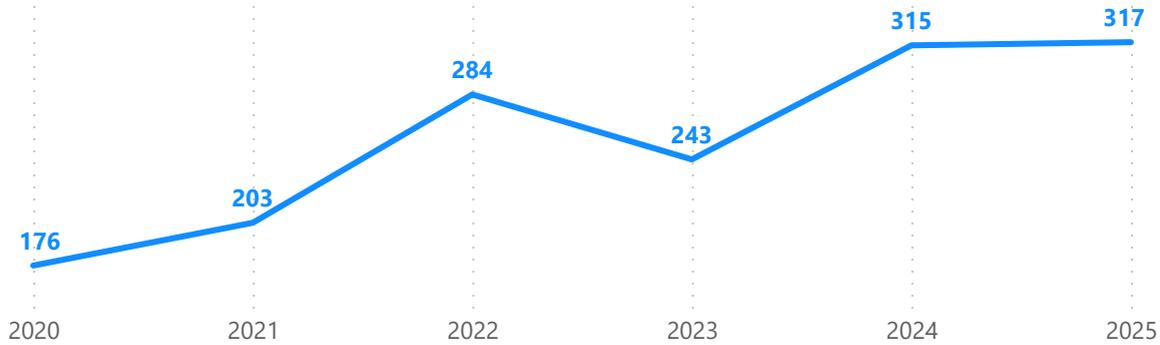
- The East Riding has a much higher proportion of residents who are identified as white; 97% in the East Riding compared to 82% nationally (2021 census data). Therefore as expected, East Riding have a much higher proportion of EHCPs identified as white than the national comparator.
- The proportion of CYPs with EHCPs identified as white is slightly less than the overall proportion of East Riding identified as white.
- The East Riding has less CYPs with no ethnicity identified than both national and regional comparators. Validation work is undertaken throughout the year to ensure all available ethnicity data is recorded.



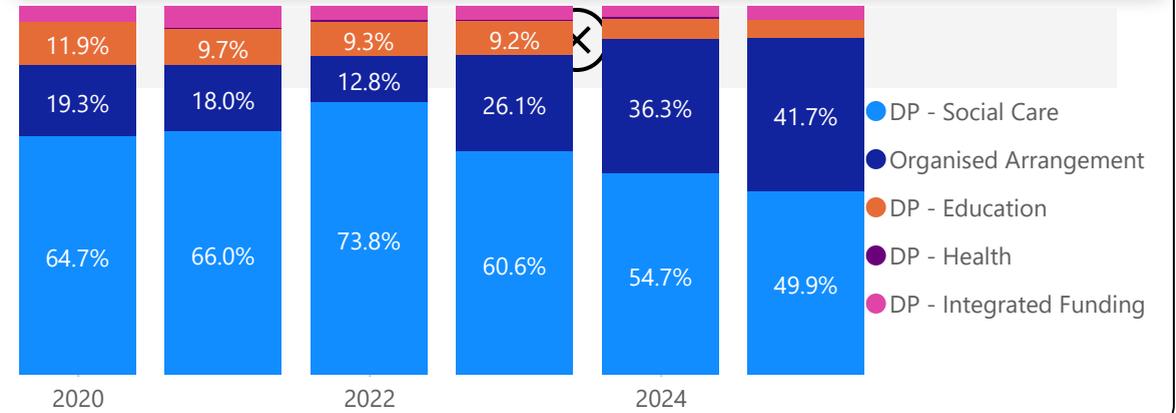


EHC Plans Maintained: January 2025

No. of personal budgets in place in the East Riding



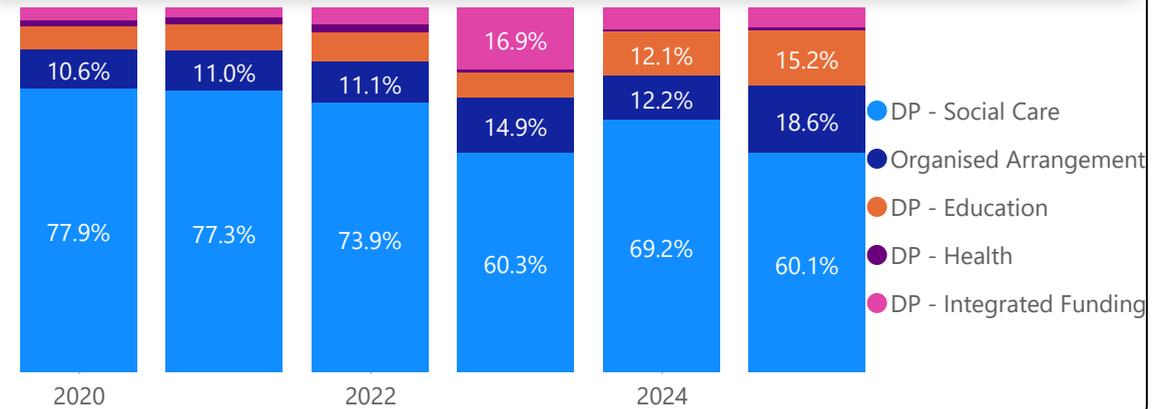
Type of Personal Budget in place in the East Riding



What the Data Tells Us

- The number of CYPs with a personal budgets (PBs) in place largely stayed the same from 2024 to 2025; This is in contrast to the national figure which saw a 7% increase in the number of CYPs with a personal budget in place.
- The largest proportion of PBs are direct payments for social care; this is reflected at a national level.
- Around 5% of PBs were direct payments for education; less than the national comparator of 15% and 1% were direct payments for health; this is in line with the national figure.
- Following the submission of the SEN2 data, it was identified that many of the social care personal budgets had been mis-recorded as organised arrangements; this has resulted in the over-inflation of the organised arrangements. Following the correction of this data, the proportion of personal budgets that are organised arrangements and direct payments for social care are more in line with the 2025 national proportions.

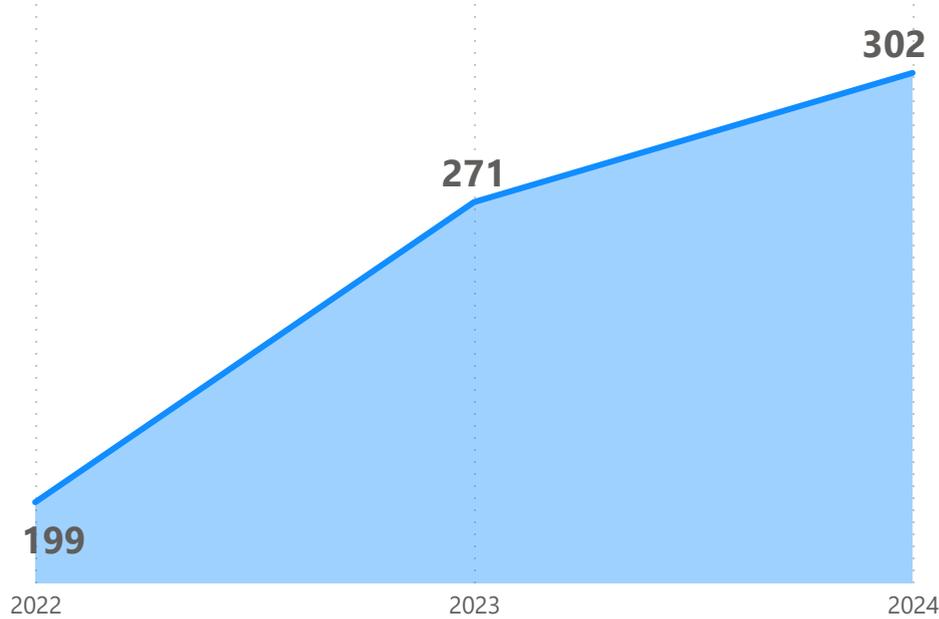
Type of Personal Budgets Nationally





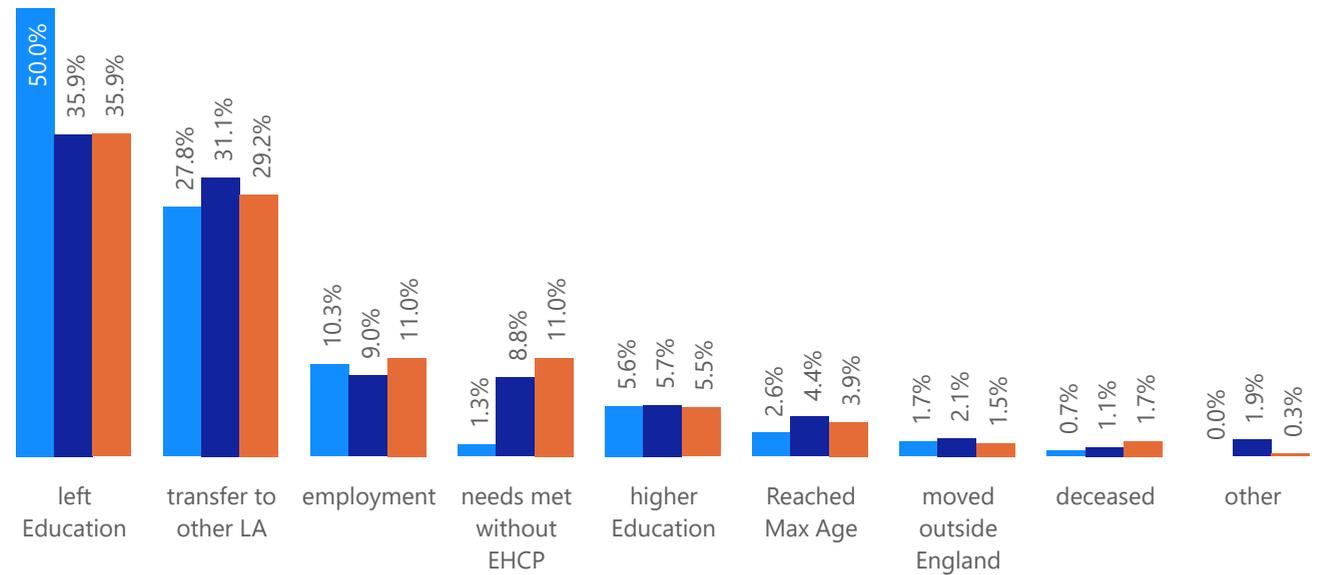
Discontinued Plans

EHCPs Discontinued in the East Riding



Reason for EHCPs discontinued in 2024

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and The Humber



% difference from previous year

↑ East Riding
11.4%

↑ National
13.8%

↓ Regional
6.0%

What the Data Tells Us

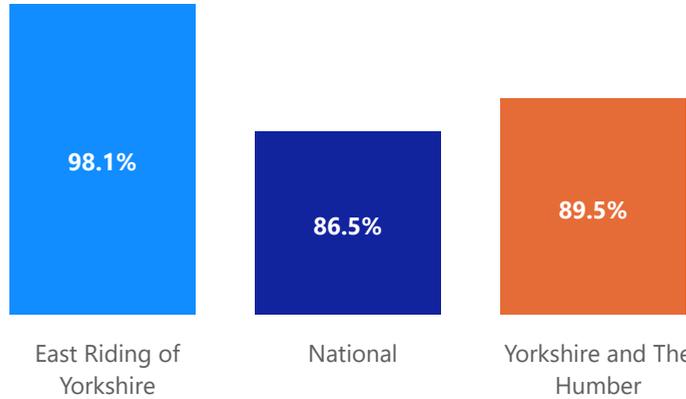
- 302 EHCPs ceased to be maintained in 2024 (11.4% increase from 271 in 2023).
- 50% of these ceased due to the CYP leaving education; a higher proportion than the national comparator of 35.9%. This is reflective of the dedicated NEET work undertaken by the SENDART team in 2024.
- The East Riding ceased a much smaller proportion of plans due to the CYP's needs being met without an EHCP.
- The East Riding are ceasing to maintain a similar proportion of plans as national and regional comparators due to cases transferring out of the authority, going into employment or higher education



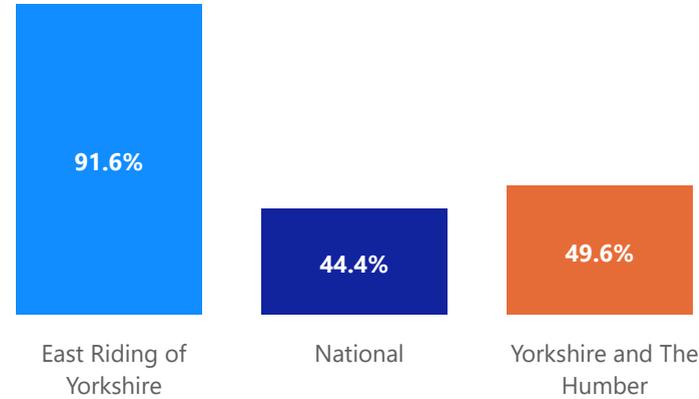


Annual Reviews

% of CYPs with a review recorded



% of review decisions made within 4 weeks



What the Data Tells Us

- Review activity has been reported for the first time in 2025 so no trend data is available. Of the 3695 EHCPs active on the census day, 3164 were expected to have a review recorded and of these 98.1% had a review recorded. This is higher than the national and regional comparators of 89.5% and 86.5% respectively.
- Of the review decisions reported, 91.6% of the decisions were made within 4 weeks of the meeting date; this is more than double the national figure of 44.4%.
- The East Riding had a lot more outcome decisions recorded than both national and regional comparators; 96% of reviews recorded had an outcome decision compared to around 79% both nationally and regionally.
- The proportion of reviews with an outcome to amend or cease in the East Riding is largely in line with national and regional proportions, however the East Riding had a higher proportion of reviews with the decision to maintain the plan with no changes.

Outcomes of Annual Reviews

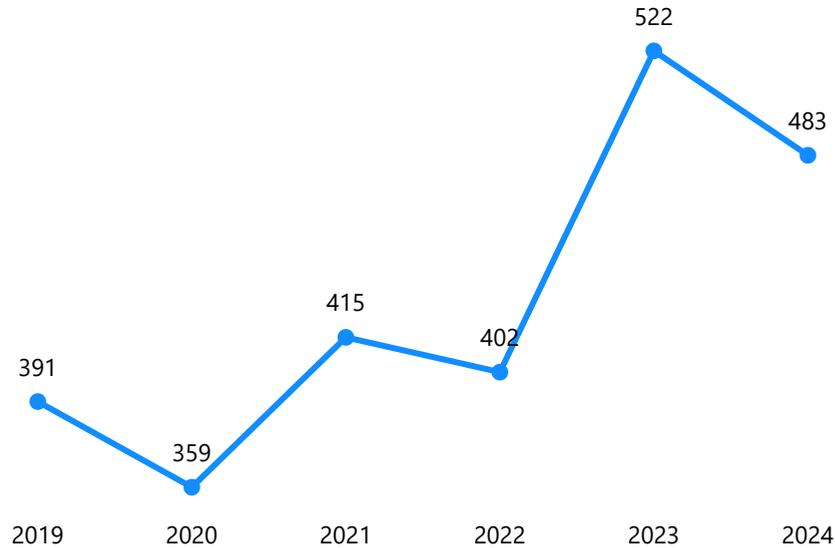
● Amend Decisions ● Maintain Decisions ● Cease Decisions





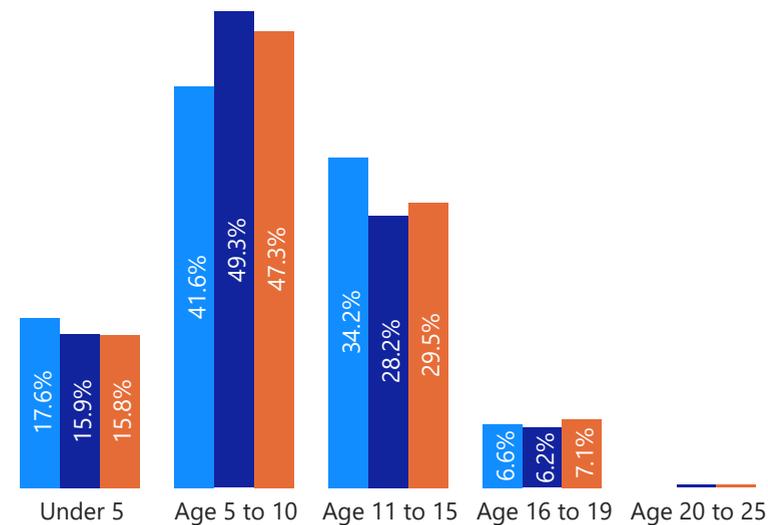
New EHC Plans Issued: Calendar Year 2024

New EHCPs Issued in the East Riding



Age Band of new EHCPs issued

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and Humber



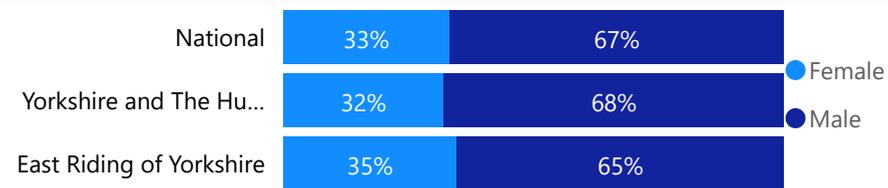
What the Data Tells Us

- 483 new EHCPs were issued by East Riding in 2024, which is a 7.5% decrease from the previous year. This is in contrast to the increases seen nationally.
- Those primary school aged make up the largest proportion of new EHCPs issued but to a slightly lesser extent than seen nationally.
- The East Riding issued a higher proportion of new EHCPs to CYPs of secondary school and pre-school age than those issued to the same age groups at both a national and regional level.
- 65% of new plans were for males; this matches national and regional proportions.

% difference from previous year



Gender





New EHCPs Issued: Calendar Year 2024

Placement Groups for New EHCPs

	Mainstream School	Special School	Post 16 FE	AP/PRU School	Non-Maintained Early Years	Elective Home Education	NEET	EOTAS
East Riding of Yorkshire	79.3%	2.9%	3.3%	2.1%	5.8%	1.7%	0.6%	0.2%
National	75.1%	9.3%	2.8%	1.4%	3.6%	1.2%	0.5%	1.2%
Yorkshire and The Humber	74.2%	6.3%	4.0%	2.1%	3.2%	1.5%	0.8%	0.4%

What the Data Tells Us

- 93% of CYPs with a new EHCP starting in the calendar year 2024, attend a school, EYFS or further education setting. This figure matches the national comparator of 92%
- Most attend a mainstream school; 79.3% of children and young people with a new EHC plan in 2024, an increase from 75.5% in 2023 and slightly higher than the national proportion of 75.1%.
- 2.9% attend a special school, an increase from 2.7% in 2023. and below the national comparator of 9.3%.
- Due to the higher proportion of new plans issued for those under 5, there is also a higher proportion than the national figure for CYPs with new EHCPs attending non-maintained early years settings.

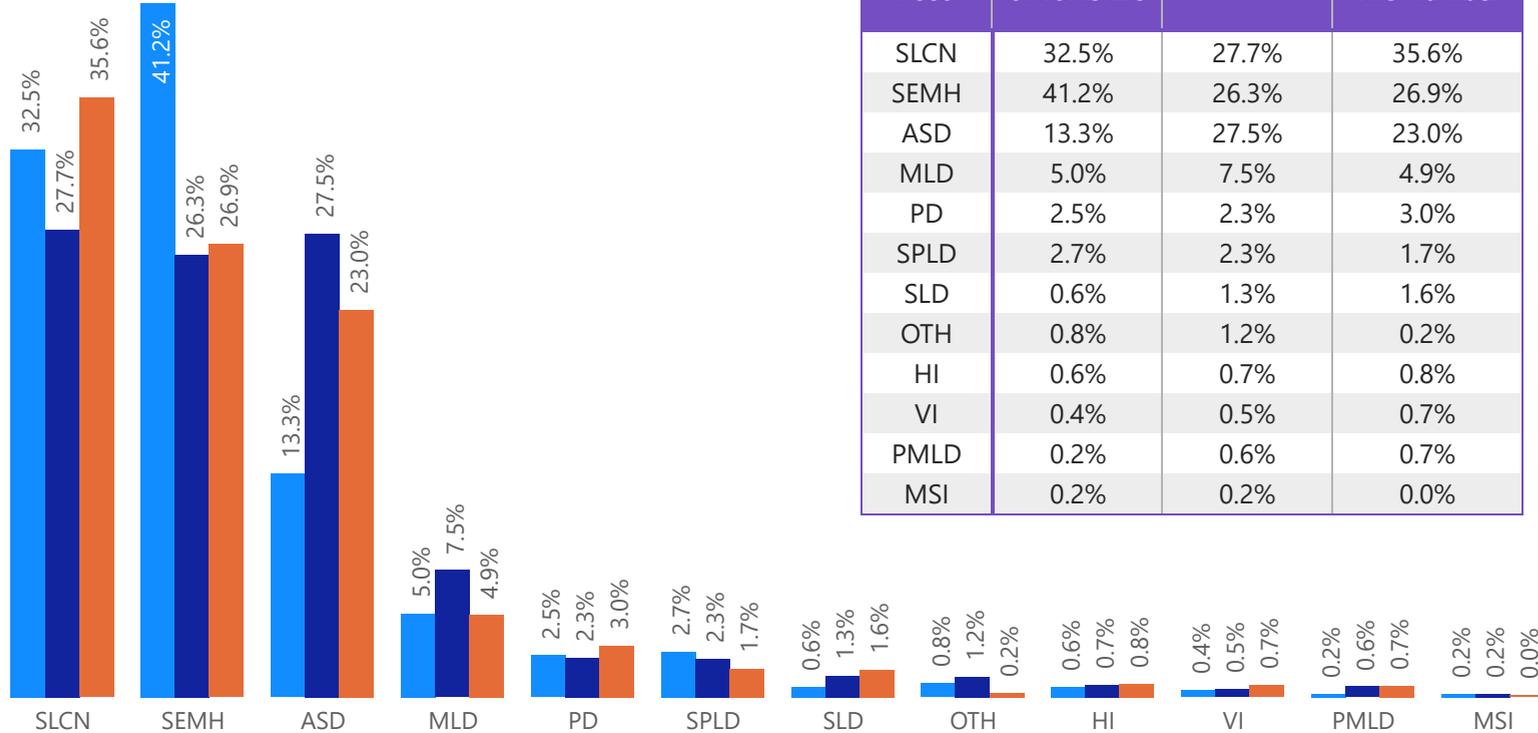




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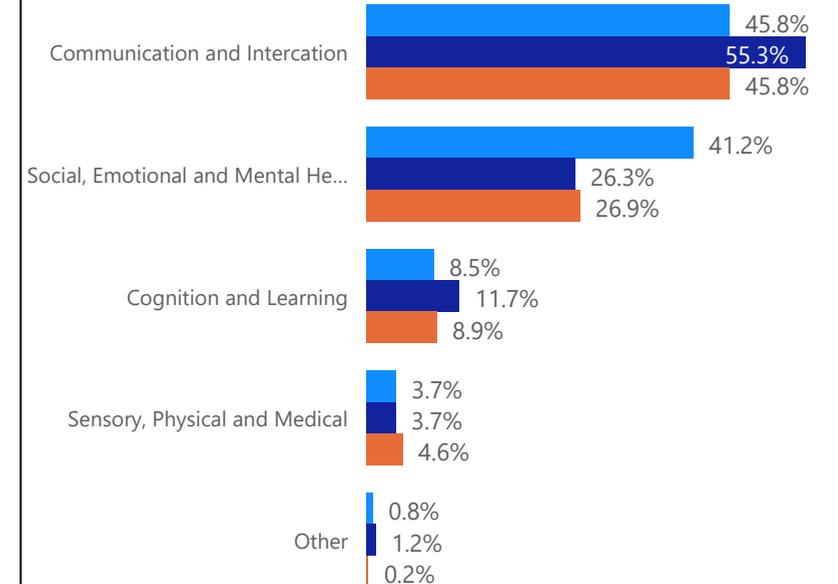
Primary Needs for EHCPs

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Broad Area of Needs for EHCPs

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Regional



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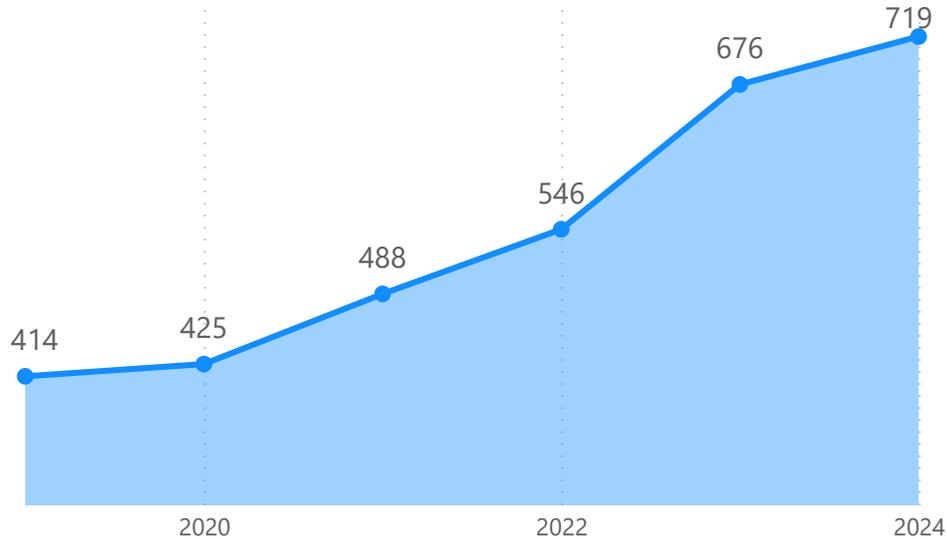
- SEMH made up the largest proportion of primary need for new EHCPs issued in 2024 in the East Riding with 41.2%; this is a much higher proportion than both the regional and national proportions of 26% and 27% respectively.
- As with the whole EHCP cohort, the East Riding has a much lower proportion of new plans issued due to the CYP having a primary need of ASD; the East Riding issued around 10% less new plans for CYPs with communication and interaction needs (ASD and SLCN combined).



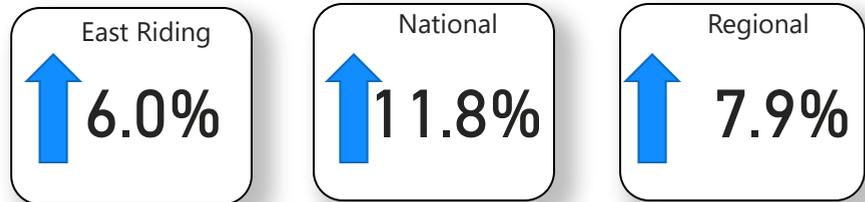


Assessment Activity: Calendar Year 2024

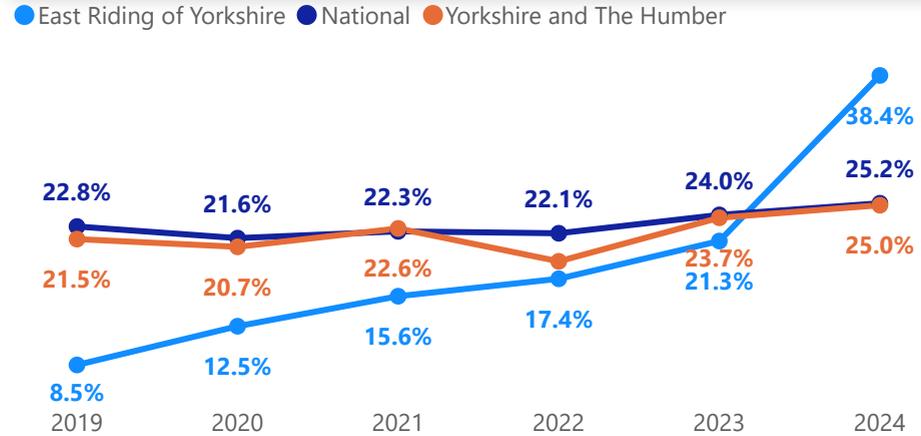
Number of Initial Requests Received in the East Riding



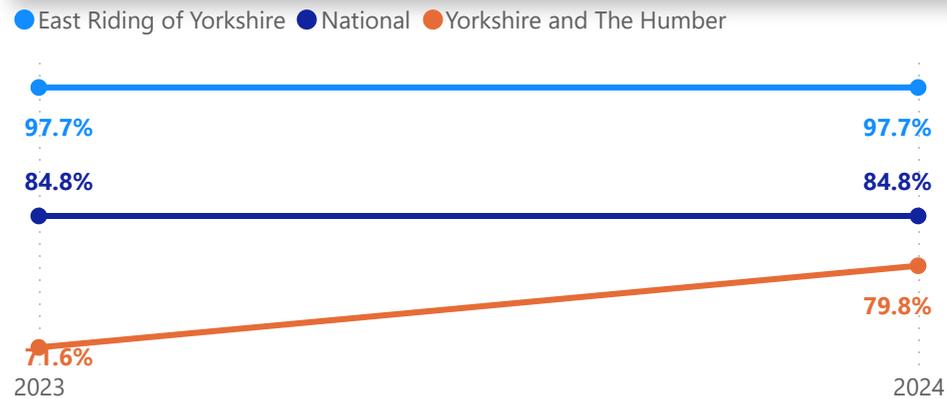
% difference from previous year



% of initial requests for assessment that were refused



% of decisions to assess made within 6 weeks



What the Data Tells Us

- The number of initial requests received for EHCP assessments increased from 676 the previous year to 719 in 2024; this is a 6% increase which is a lot less than the 24% increase seen last year and also lower than the increase seen nationally and regionally.
- The East Riding has seen a large spike in the proportion of requests that result in a refusal to assess in 2024. Over a third (38%) were refused assessments compared to a quarter of decisions resulting in a refusal to assess nationally and regionally.
- 6-week timeliness figures have been published for the first time this year. East Riding made 97.7% of their decisions to assess within 6 weeks; a much higher proportion than both the national and regional comparators.

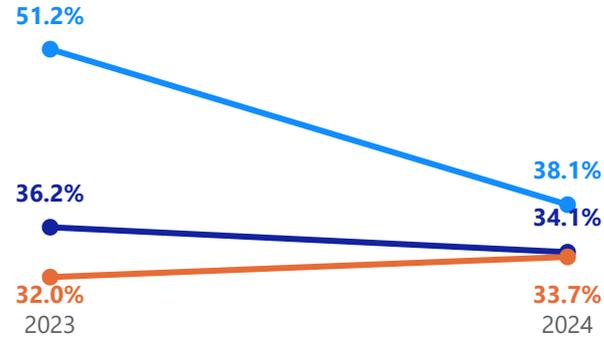




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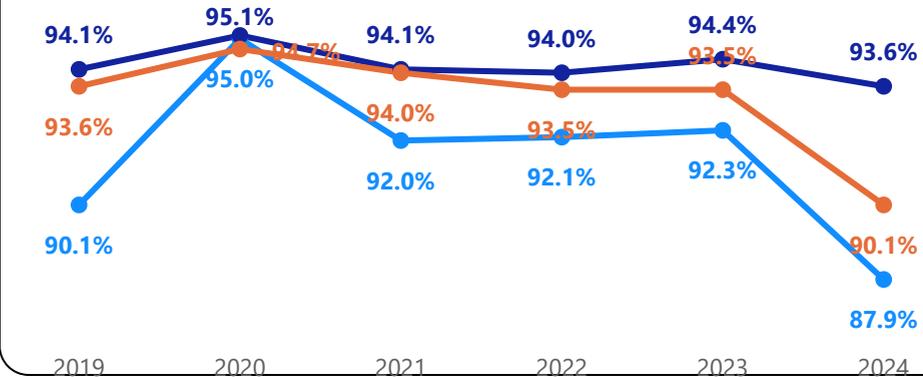
% of decisions not to issue made within 16 weeks

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and The Humber



% of assessments resulting in an EHC Plan

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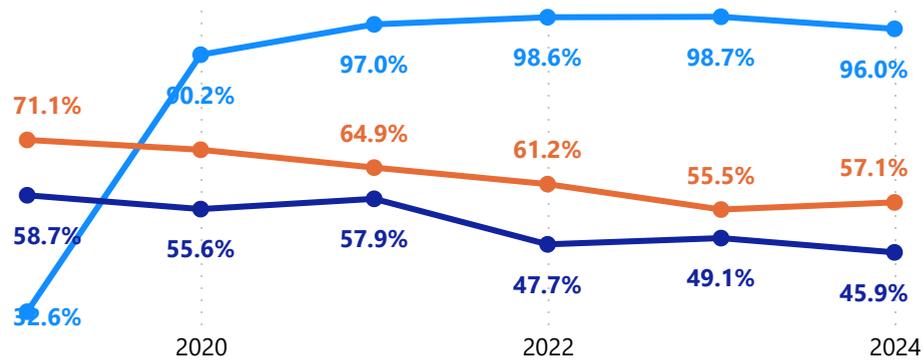


What the Data Tells Us

- 16-week timeliness for refuse to issue notifications has been published for the first time this year; whilst East Riding's figure of 38.1% is a lot lower than 6 and 20-week timeliness figures it is above both national and regional comparators.
- For the 5th consecutive year, 20-week timeliness in the East Riding has continued to be above 90%.
- The 20-week timeliness for new EHCPs issued in 2024 was 96% including exceptions and 96.5% excluding exceptions.
- The East Riding continues to be well above all comparators for 20-week timeliness with the national figure currently standing at 46%.
- As with the increase in refusal to assess decisions, an increase in the number of decisions not to issue and EHCP following an assessment has resulted in a significant decrease in the proportion of assessments that have resulted in an EHCP; 87.9% in 2024 compared to 92.3% in 2023.

EHCPs issued within 20-weeks (Including Exceptions)

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and The Humber



EHCPs issued within 20-weeks (Excluding Exceptions)

● East Riding of Yorkshire ● National ● Yorkshire and The Humber

