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# LA Secondary School Places Scorecard for Darlington

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## Introduction

This document presents school places figures for Darlington covering quantity of places available, forecast accuracy of pupil projections, places allocated by preference, new places allocated by school quality and cost per place. It is intended to provide a downloadable, printable document of figures for individual Local Authorities as an alternative to our online dashboard (available [here](#)).

## Quantity

**£13million**

Total primary and secondary basic need funding 2011 to 22

**19%**

Growth in secondary pupil numbers 2009/10 to 2021/22

### Places created since 2009/10, places planned to 2021/22 and estimated place pressure in 2021/22

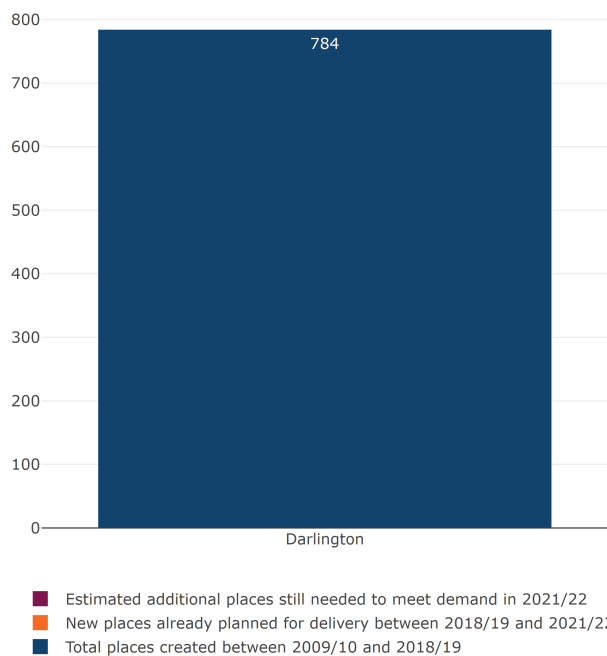
A local authority can have both 'spare places' and 'additional places needed' due to localised or specific year group demand

**0**

Estimated additional secondary places to meet demand in 2021/22

**7%**

Estimated percentage of spare secondary places in 2021/22



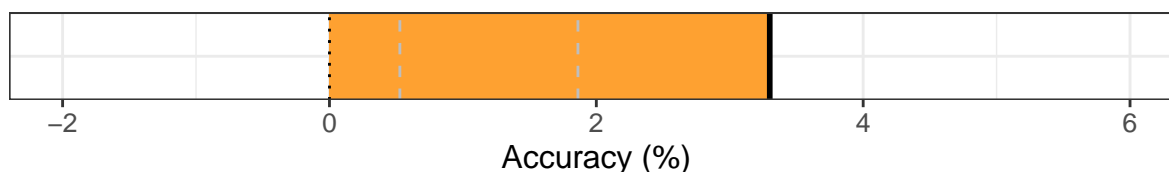
## Forecast Accuracy

### Forecast accuracy of pupil projections for 2021/22, made one year and three years previously

The shaded area in each chart ending at the thick vertical line shows the forecasting accuracy for Darlington. The starting point is 0, an accurate score, indicated by a dotted line. A shaded area to the right of 0 indicates an overestimate, a shaded area to the left of 0 indicates an underestimate. The grey dashed lines show the 25th and 75th percentile score for all local authorities.

#### One year ahead: 3.3%

Overestimate of pupil numbers, larger overestimate than at least 75% of local authorities

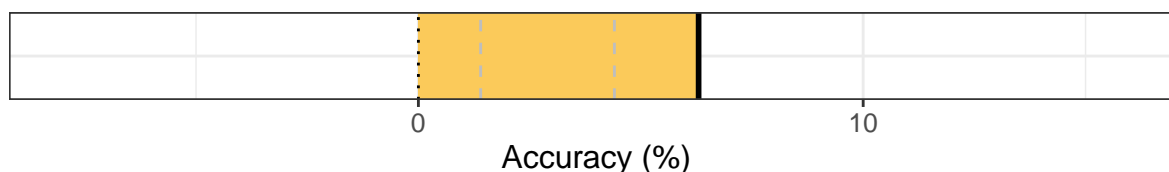


Range of accuracy scores one year ahead

| Minimum | Twentyfifthpercentile | Median | Seventyfifthpercentile | Maximum |
|---------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|---------|
| -1.8%   | 0.5%                  | 1.3%   | 1.9%                   | 5.4%    |

#### Three years ahead: 6.3%

Overestimate of pupil numbers, larger overestimate than at least 75% of local authorities



Range of accuracy scores three years ahead

| Minimum | Twentyfifthpercentile | Median | Seventyfifthpercentile | Maximum |
|---------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|---------|
| -7.7%   | 1.4%                  | 2.9%   | 4.4%                   | 15.8%   |

## Preference

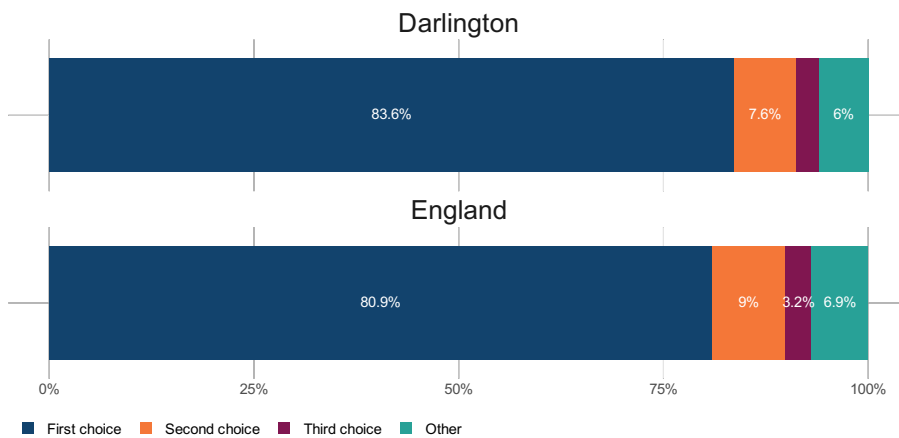
Proportion of applicants who received an offer of one of their top three preference schools for September 2019 entry

**93%**

Percentage of applicants who received an offer of one of their top three preferred secondary schools in England

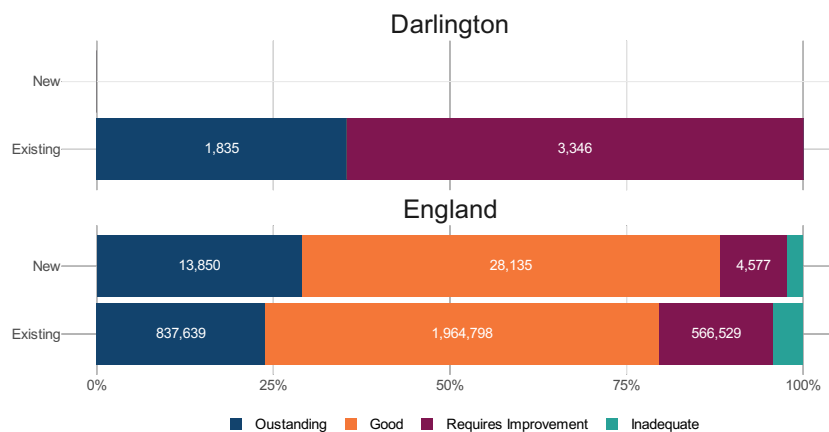
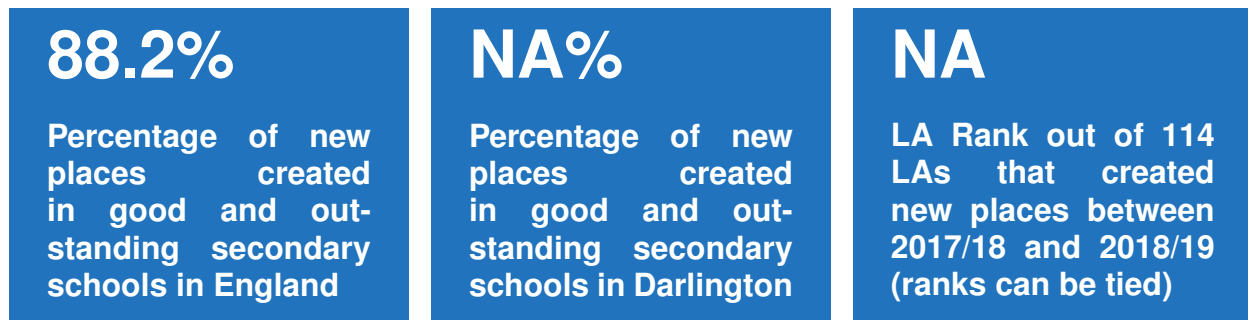
**94%**

Percentage of applicants who received an offer of one of their top three preferred secondary schools in Darlington



## Quality

Quality of places created between 2017/18 and 2018/19, based on Ofsted:



New places with no rating = NA

## Cost

### Average cost of additional mainstream school places

Based on local authority reported projects between 2015/16 and 2017/18 adjusted for inflation and regional variation



### Average cost per place for permanent, temporary and new school projects

Region column shows England averages, adjusted for regional location factors

| Type                | England | North East |
|---------------------|---------|------------|
| Permanent Expansion | £23,775 | -          |
| Temporary Expansion | £9,248  | -          |
| New school          | £24,929 | -          |

\*\*\* Note that this is a draft document and does not contain genuine data \*\*\*

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## Contact

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