Attendance Network

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As derived from school census

School-level absence (with reasons) and Persistent & Severe Absentee numbers

…aggregated to:

Phase and District-level
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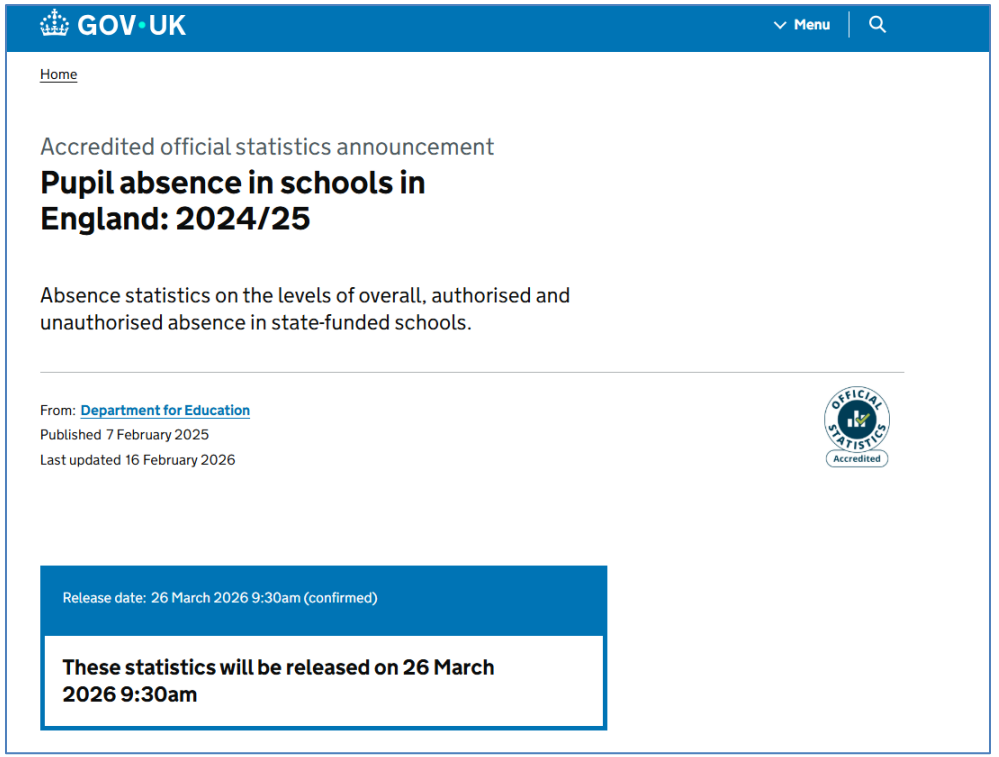
Autumn Term collected January, published **May**
Autumn & Spring terms collected May, published **October**
Whole academic year collected October, published **March**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Accredited official statistics announcement

Pupil absence in schools in England: 2024/25

Absence statistics on the levels of overall, authorised and unauthorised absence in state-funded schools.

From: Department for Education
Published 7 February 2025
Last updated 16 February 2026

Release date: 26 March 2026 9:30am (confirmed)

These statistics will be released on 26 March 2026 9:30am

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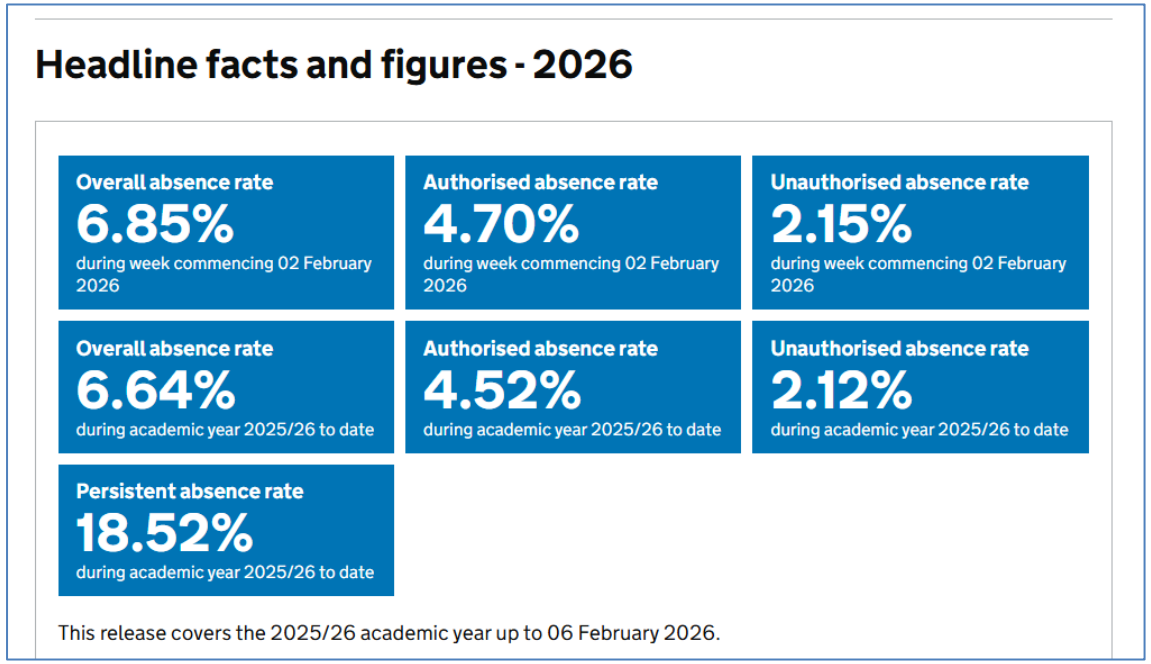

Headline facts and figures - 2026

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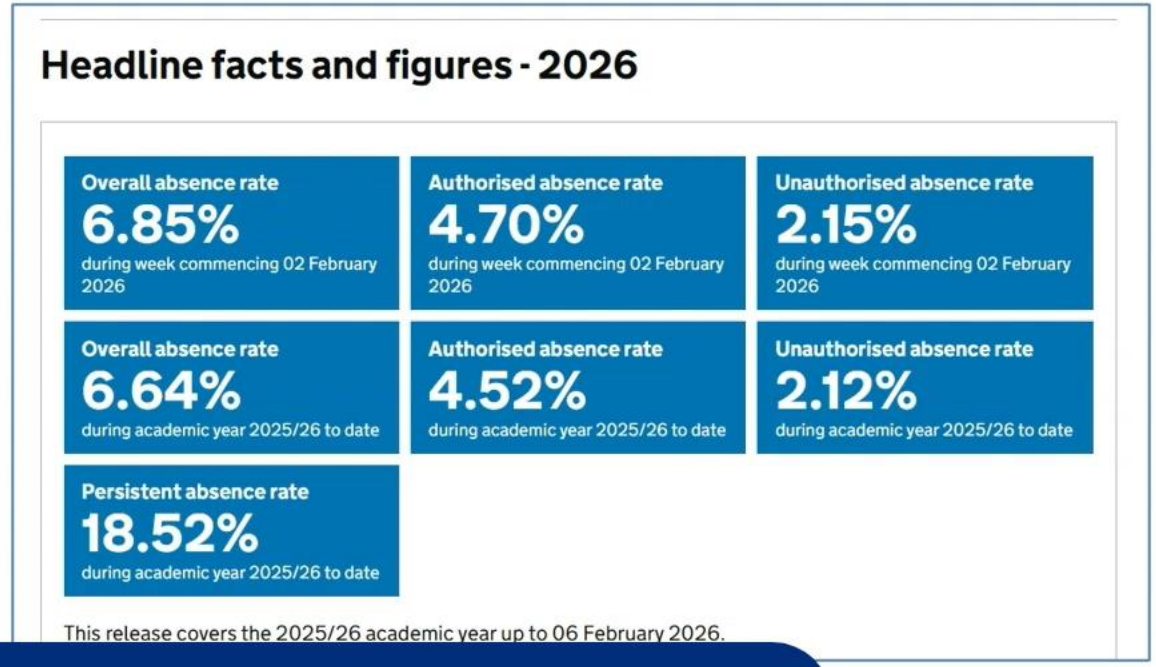

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Official government statistics page

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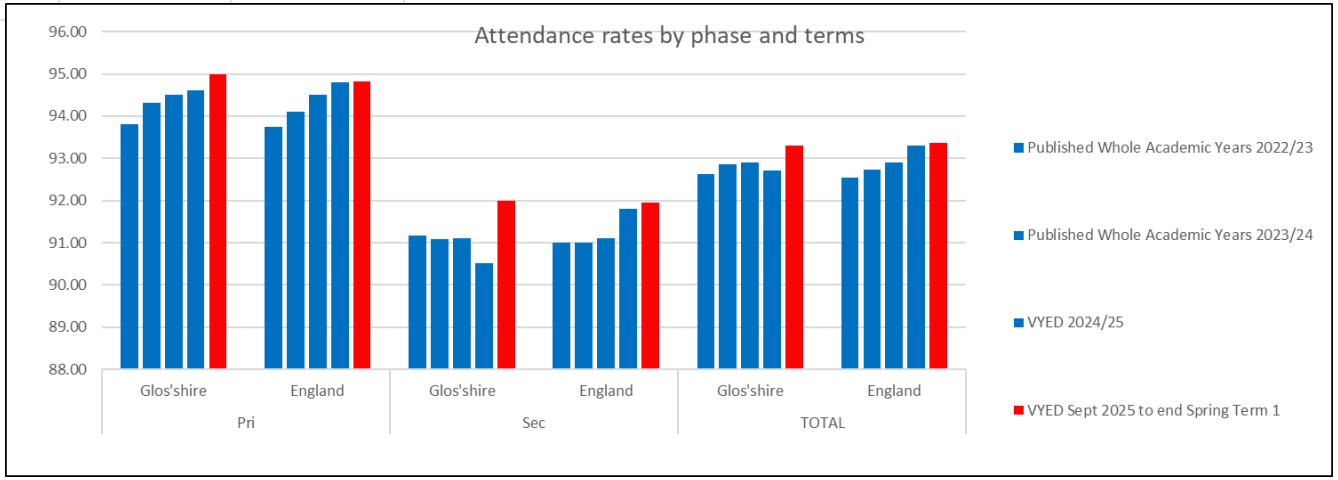
Academic Year to Date attendance data from DfE

End of term snapshot of school attendance for Academic Year 2025/26 — Sept 2025 to end Spring Term 1

		No. Pupils	Attendance %	PA Number	PA %	SA Number	SA %
Primary	Glos'shire	47,926	95.0%	5,943	12.4%	436	0.9%
	England		*94.8%*		*14.5%*		*n/a*
Secondary	Glos'shire	43,464	92.0%	9,710	22.3%	1,228	2.8%
	England		*92.0%*		*22.3%*		*n/a*
Special	Glos'shire	1,698	87.8%	575	33.9%	92	5.4%
	England		*87.1%*		*35.5%*		*n/a*
APS	Glos'shire	516	44.1%	433	83.9%	286	55.4%
	England		*n/a*		*n/a*		*n/a*
TOTAL	**Glos'shire**	**93,604**	**93.3%**	**16,661**	**17.8%**	**2,042**	**2.2%**
	England		*93.4%*		*18.5%*		*n/a*

source: View Your Education Data portal, data from schools sharing their data with DfE via WONDE as at 20/02/2026



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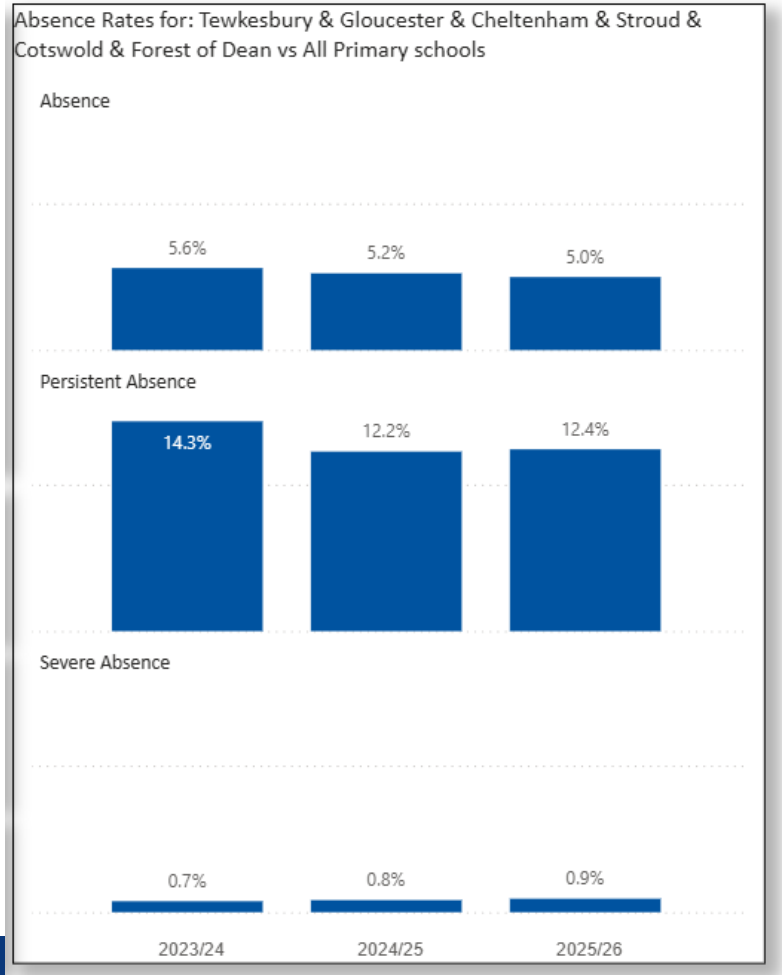
Whole AY and 2025/26 YtD data from VYED



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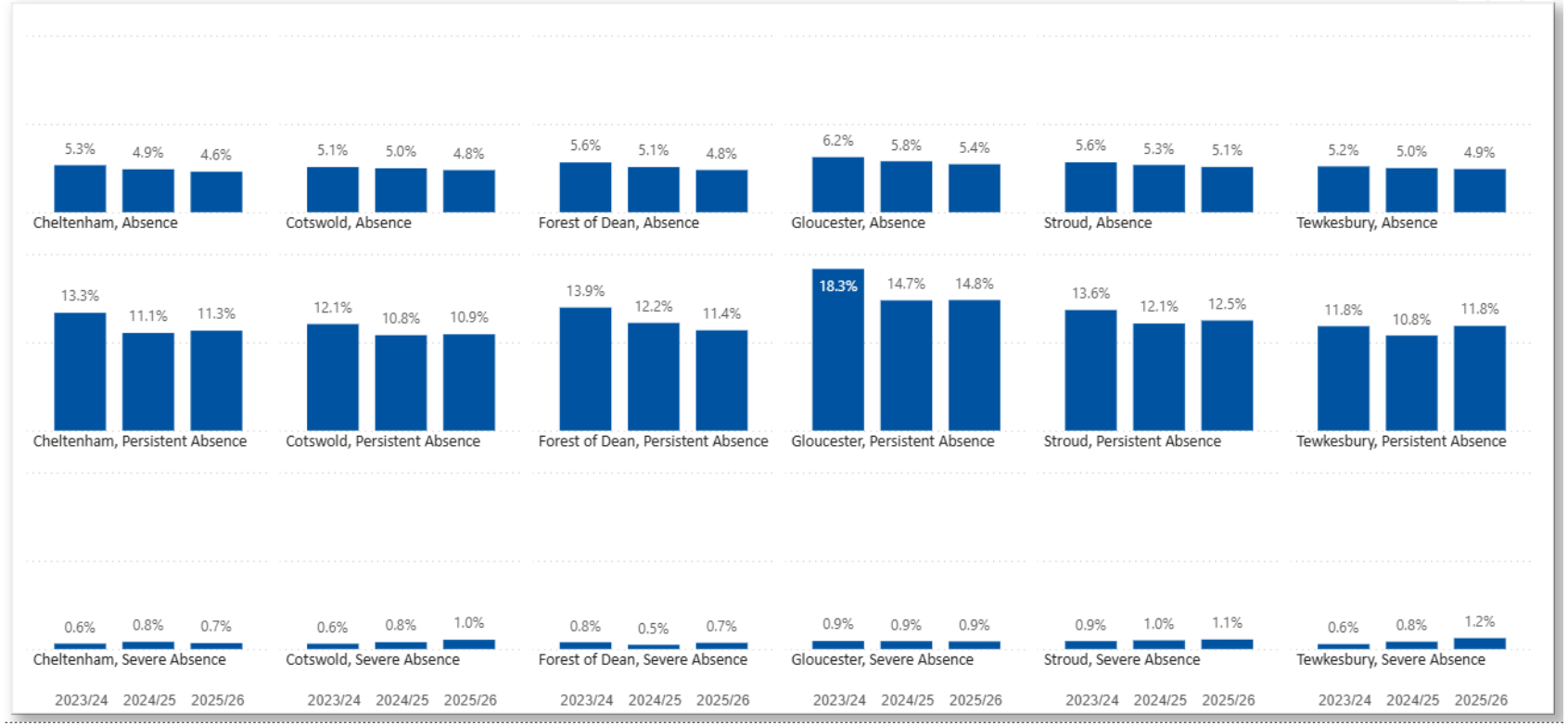

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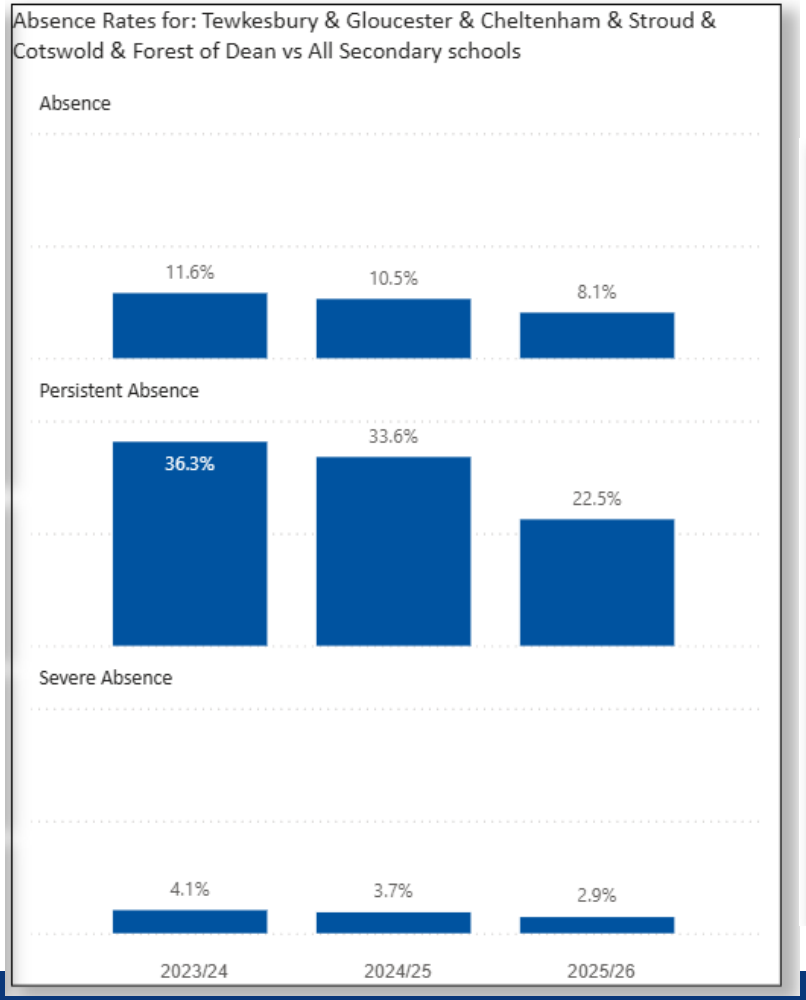

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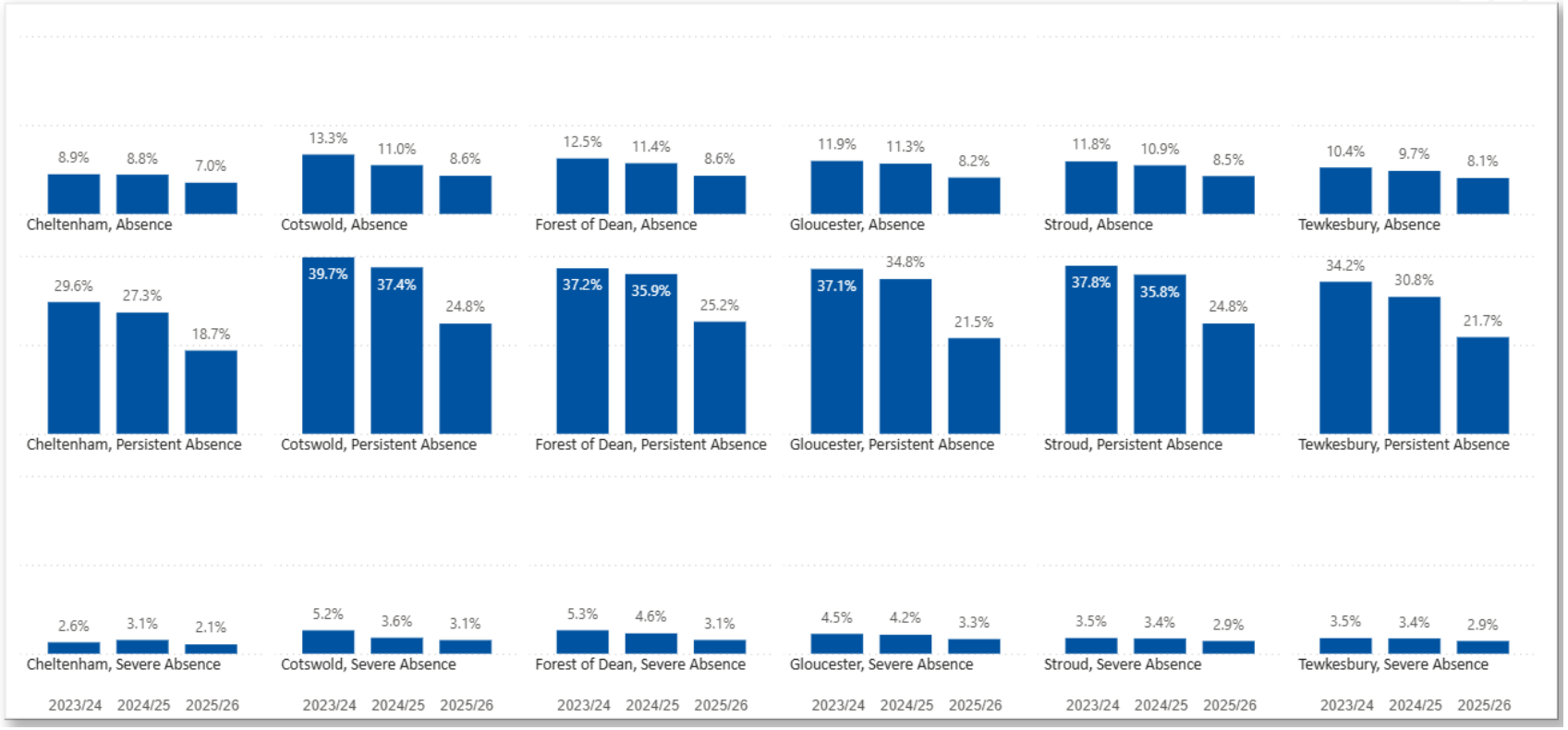

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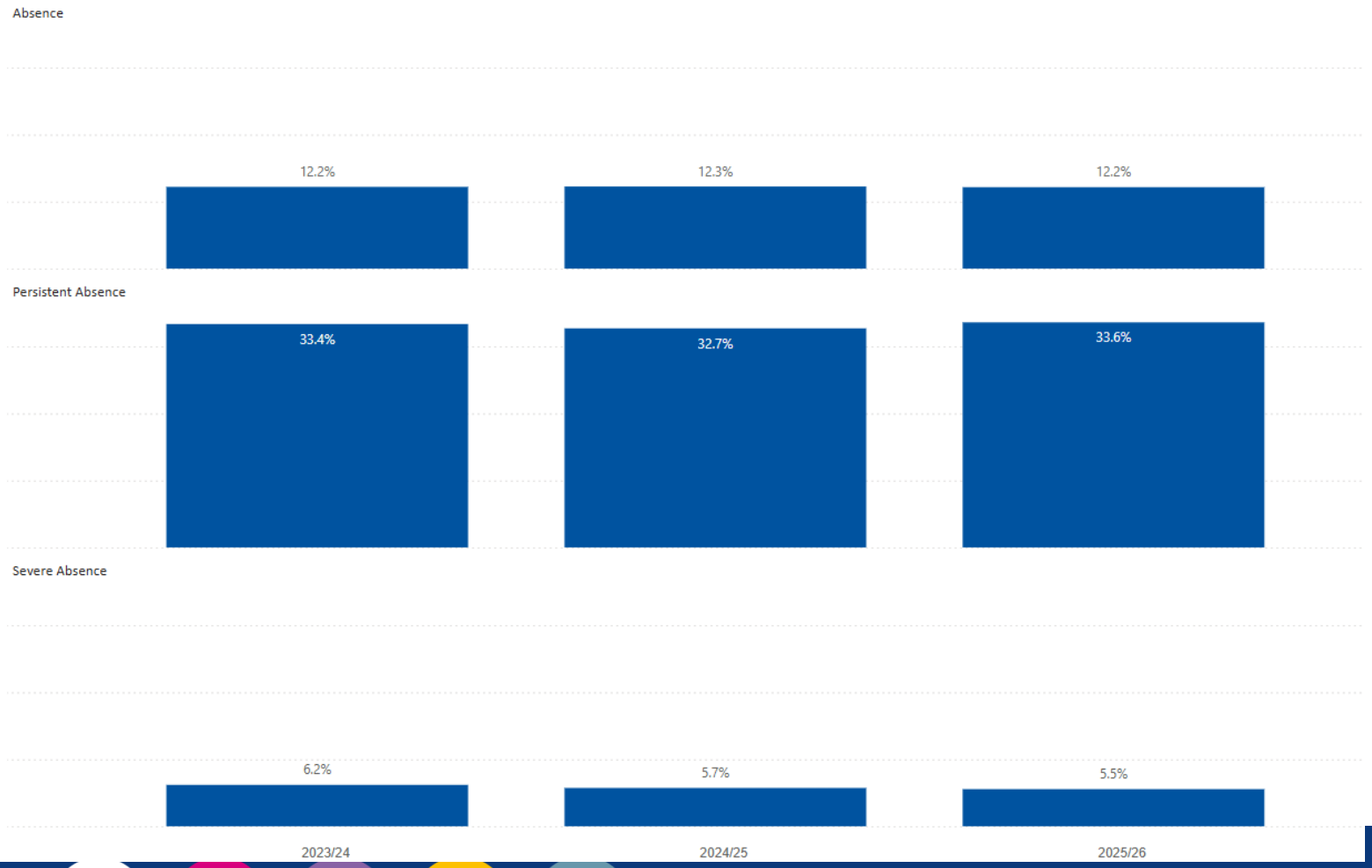

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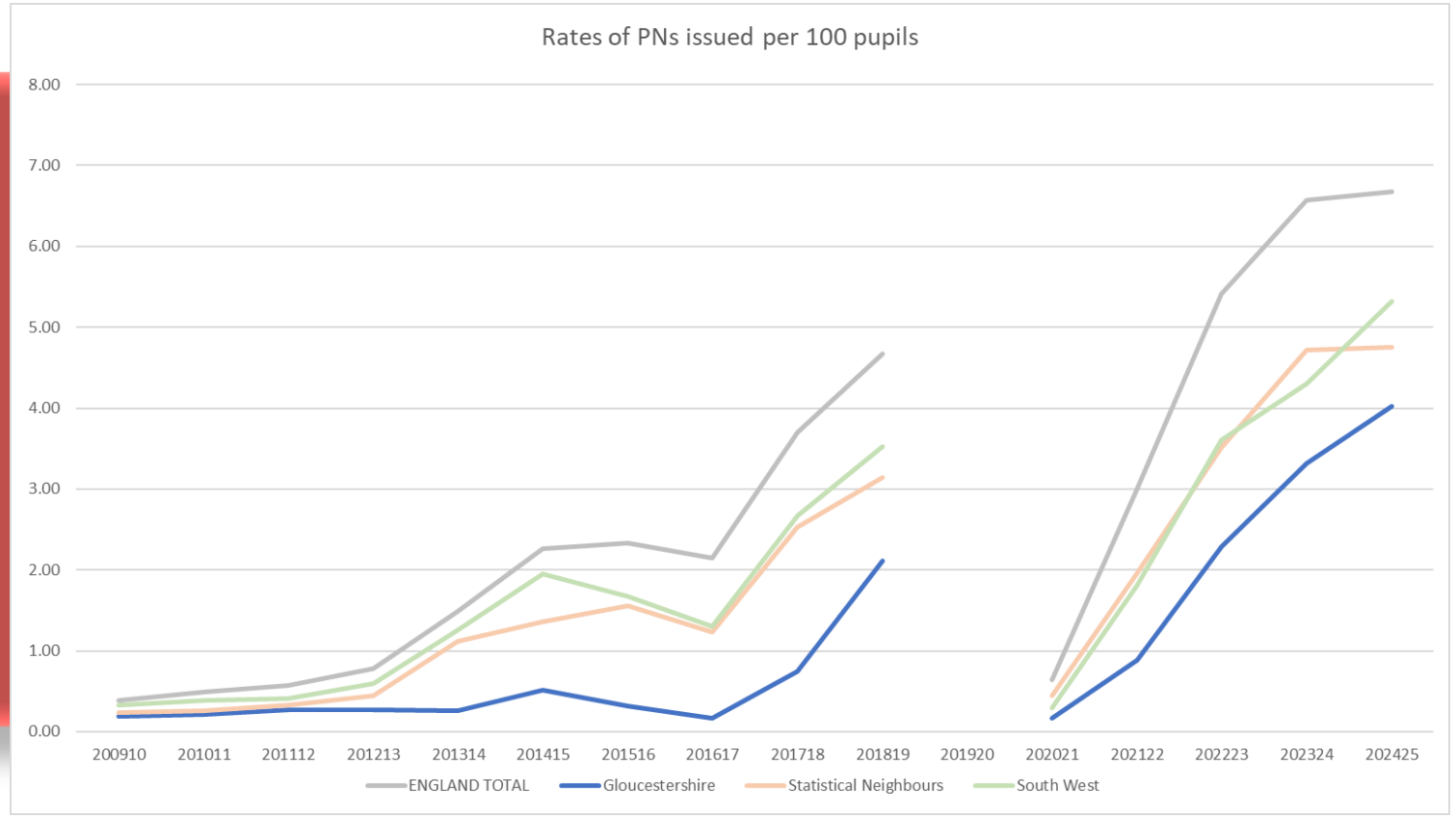
Penalty Notices

England:	4.7 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2018/19 2.1 in Gloucestershire
England:	0.6 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2020/21 0.2 in Gloucestershire
England:	3.0 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2021/22 0.9 in Gloucestershire
England:	5.4 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2022/23 2.3 in Gloucestershire
England:	6.6 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2023/24 3.3 in Gloucestershire
England:	6.7 PNs issued per 100 pupils in 2024/25 4.0 in Gloucestershire



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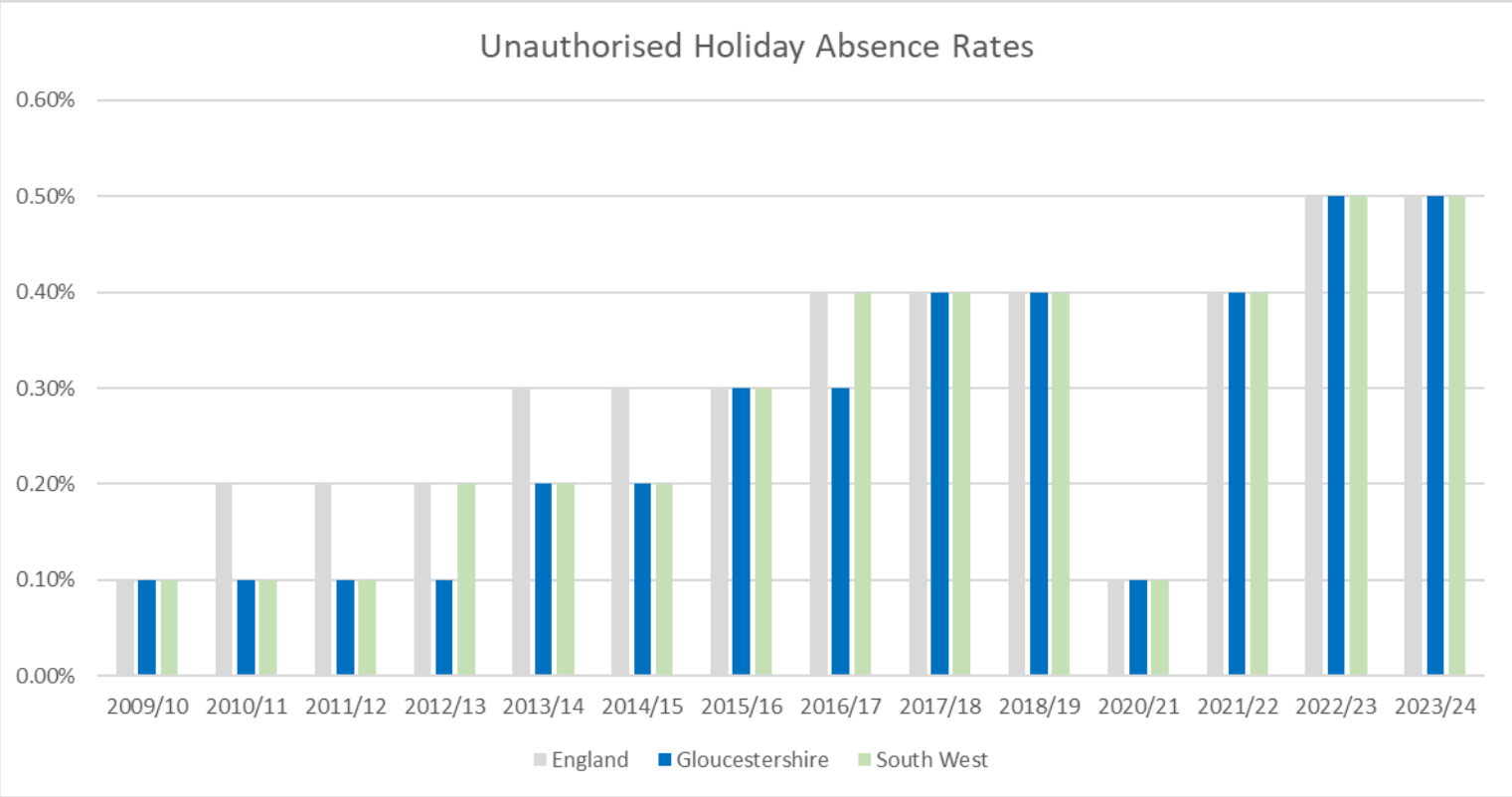

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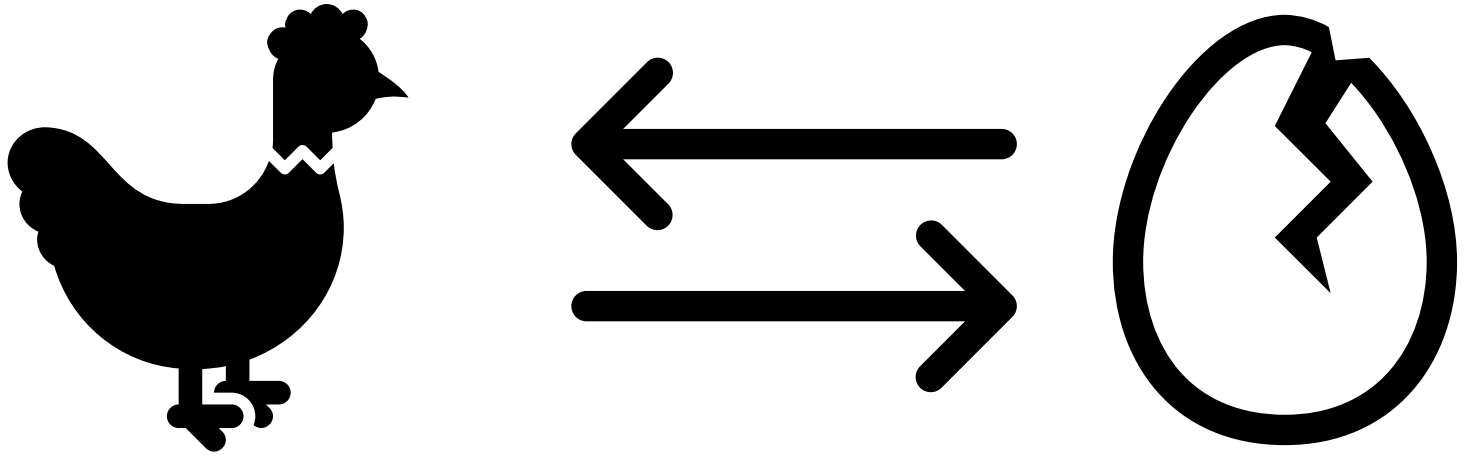


FPNs can only be issued ***after*** absence occurs – so the absence comes first?

But FPNs can prevent ***future*** holiday absence – so the fines come first?

Penalty Notices

What do Penalty Notices achieve?

FPN Issue Rates and Absence Rates

Gloucestershire issues fewer FPNs than national average, but holiday absence rates remain the same locally and nationally.

Lack of Proven Impact

No published research shows FPNs effectively improve attendance or reduce term-time holiday absences.

External Influences on Absence

Family decisions on holidays are shaped by travel costs, work constraints, culture, and circumstances, limiting FPN influence.

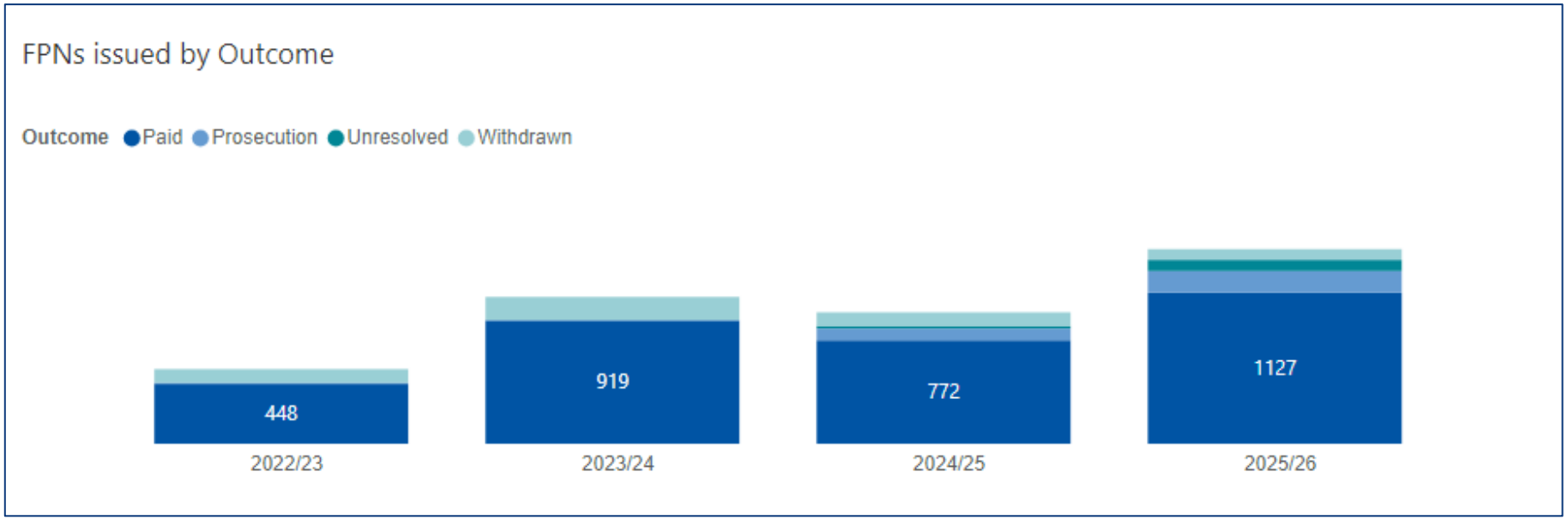
Role of FPNs in Policy

FPNs provide consistency and fairness in attendance policy, designed as a deterrent not an evidence-based intervention.

MRI FPN Portal

Penalty Notices

Fixed Penalty Notices issued for holiday absences during Terms 1-3:



Fixed Penalty Notices issued for holiday absences during terms 1-3 2025/26 academic year:

1453	877	79	post Sept-24 only 1365
No. Issued	No. ind CYP issued	Second PNs	No. ind. parents

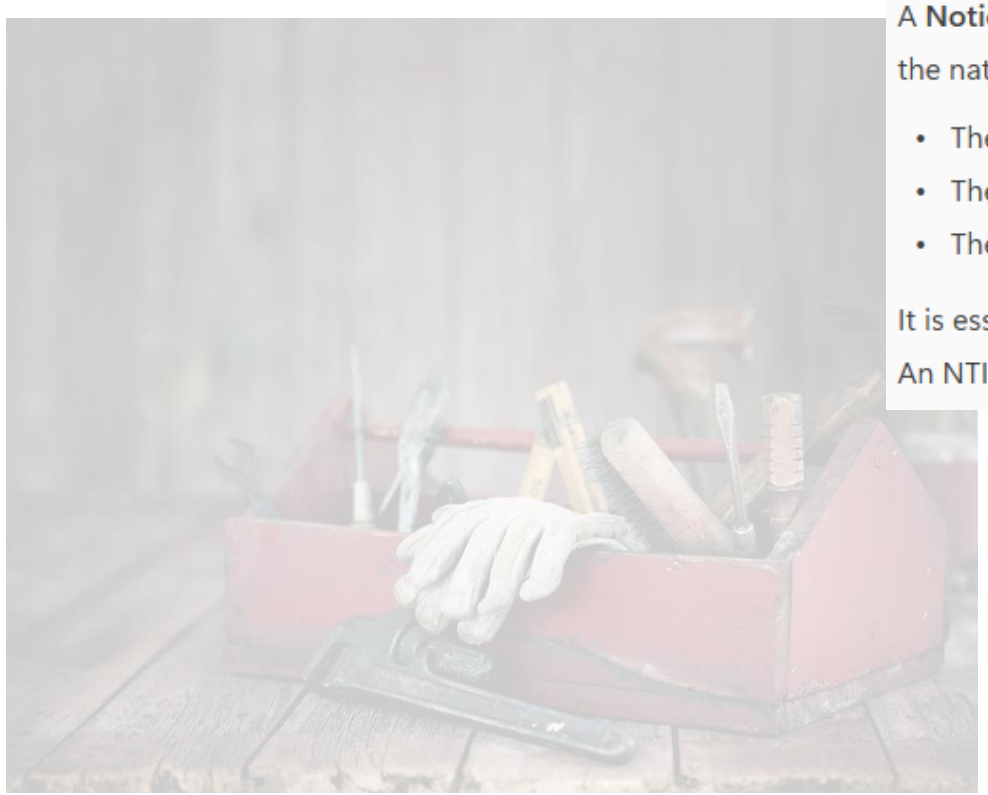
Gov.uk data: 2023/24 whole AY

Notices to Improve

		England	South West Gloucestershire
State-funded primary	Late rate	0.1%	0.1%
	No reason yet rate	0.0%	0.0%
	Unauthorised other rate	0.8%	0.4%
State-funded secondary	Late rate	0.2%	0.1%
	No reason yet rate	0.1%	0.1%
	Unauthorised other rate	2.8%	1.8%

JADU NTIs

Notices to Improve



📘 What is a Notice to Improve (NTI)?

A **Notice to Improve** is a formal written notification issued by the Local Authority when a pupil has reached the national threshold of **10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence within 10 school weeks**. It sets out:

- The **school's expectations** for the child's attendance during the notice period
- The requirement for **no further unauthorised absences**
- The period of time during which improvement must occur sch

It is essentially an **intervention step** before a Penalty Notice might be issued.

An NTI **does not carry a fine**; it functions as a **warning and monitoring period**.

NTIs by base type					
No. Parents NTI requested for, by base type					
	Primary	PRU	Secondary	Special	Grand Total
2024/25	175		462	4	**641**
2025/26	65	2	394	1	**462**
Grand Total	**240**	**2**	**856**	**5**	**1103**

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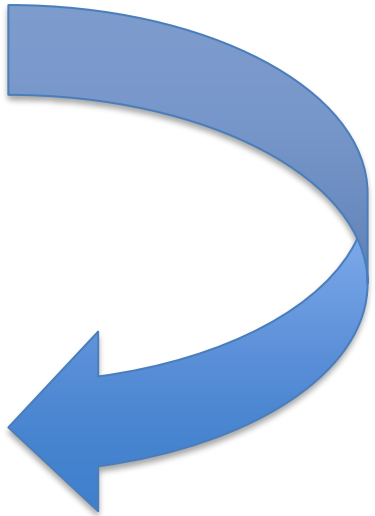
Notices to Improve

Tackling Unauthorised absences…

During the period 20/11/2024 and 27/02/2026:

1,103 NTI requested



206 (non-hols) FPN issued

How do we get from the NTI requests to the FPNs issued?

We are (currently) unable to report on NTI request outcomes

some may not meet thresholds or lack required evidence to proceed with issuing

Only a subset of NTI requests result in NTI being formally issued

Of the NTIs issued, we are (currently) unable to link to outcomes

some may improve attendance, some may not be eligible for FPN request, some may leave school, some may be put forward for FPN request without correct evidence

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Notices to Improve

Step 1:
10 sessions unauthorised absence within 10 school weeks

Step 2:
NTI requested (1,103 in Glos)

Step 3:
NTI issued (if criteria + evidence met)

Step 4:
Monitoring period (after 3 weeks no improvement → PN request)

Step 5:
PN requested (322 in Glos)

Step 6:
PN issued (206 in Glos)

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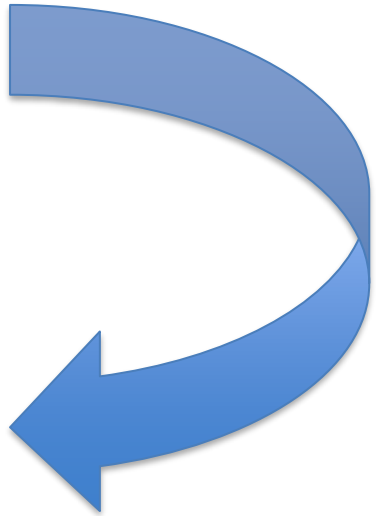

Current conversion rate of approximately 19%

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2024/25	17		64		**81**
2025/26	14		111		**125**
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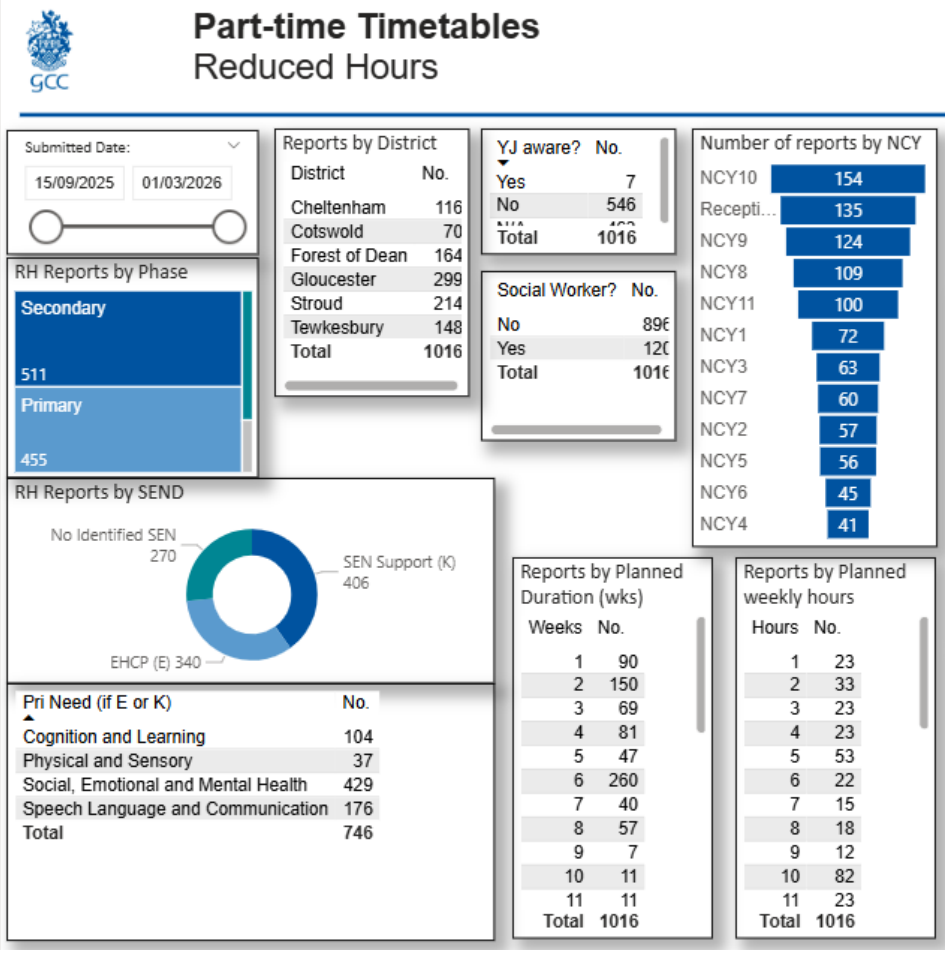
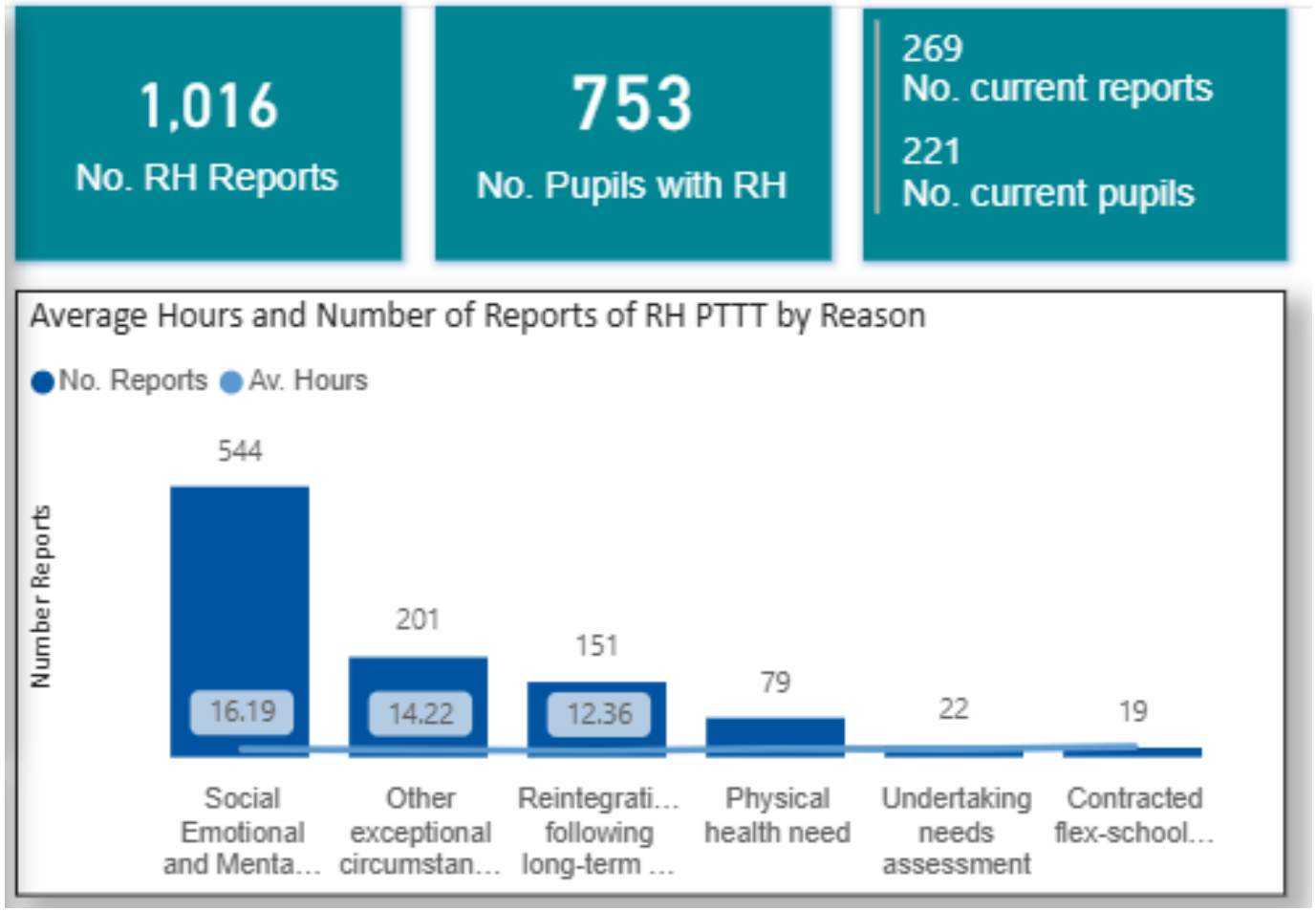
Part-time timetables





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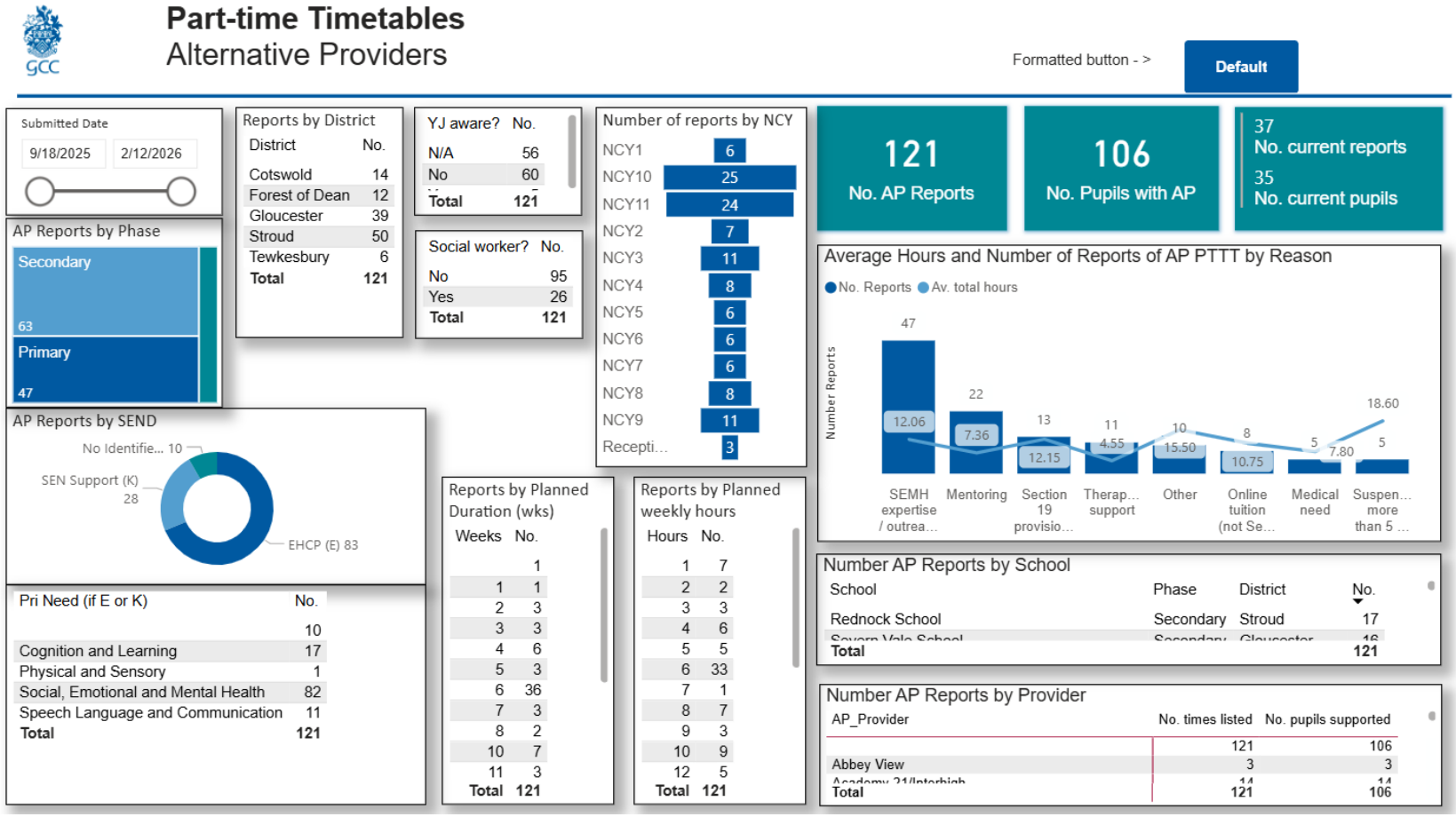

JADU PTTT Portal & VYED Absence codes

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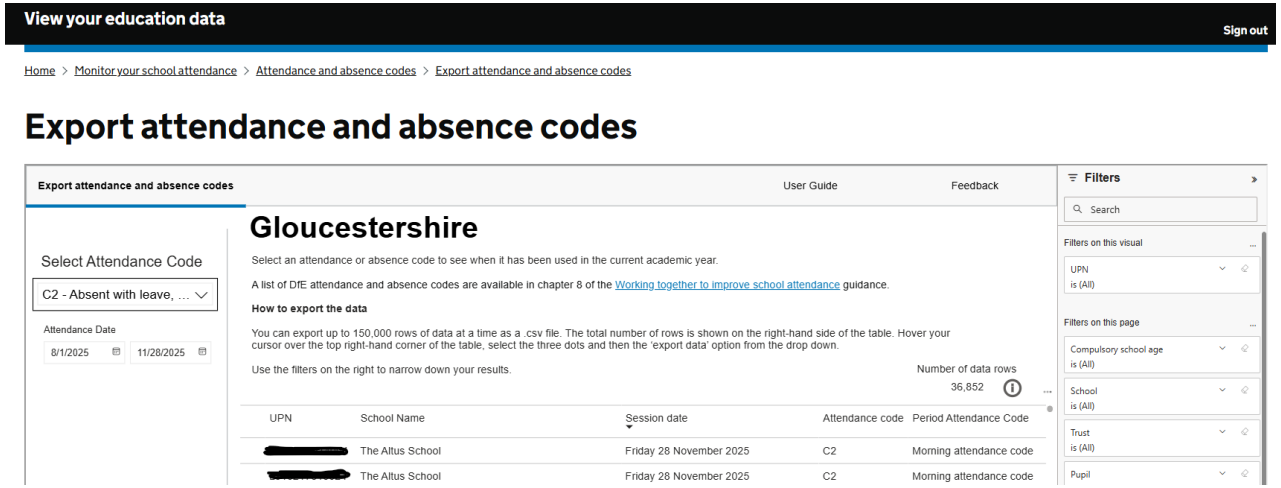

Use the reports on VYED or your MIS to identify all pupils marked with C2 coded absence – have they been reported to us?

NB: It's reasonable to expect more reports than codes; not every PTTT will cover a registration period resulting in a C2 mark

JADU PTTT Portal & VYED Absence codes

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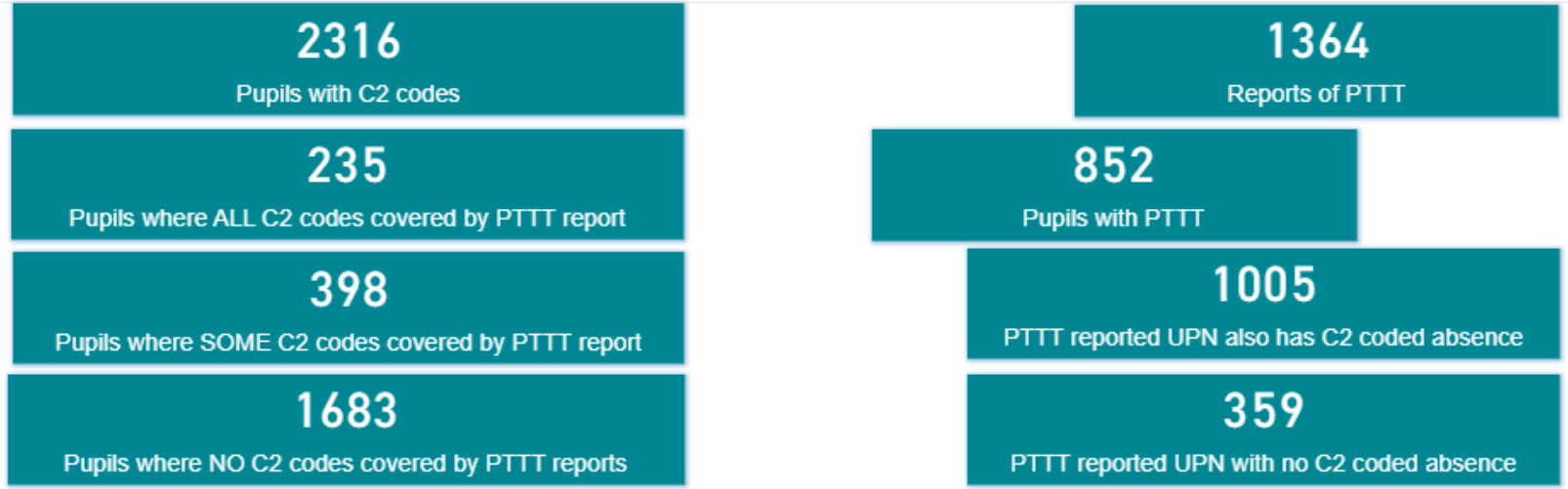


Our analysis currently shows us that there have been 2,316 individual students with at least 1 C2 coded session, but only 852 individual students reported with a PTTT (who are the other 1,464?)

1,683 pupils with C2 coded absence have NO PTTT reports that cover the dates of the C2 codes; have some reports been reviewed and extended or ceased that you haven't told us about?

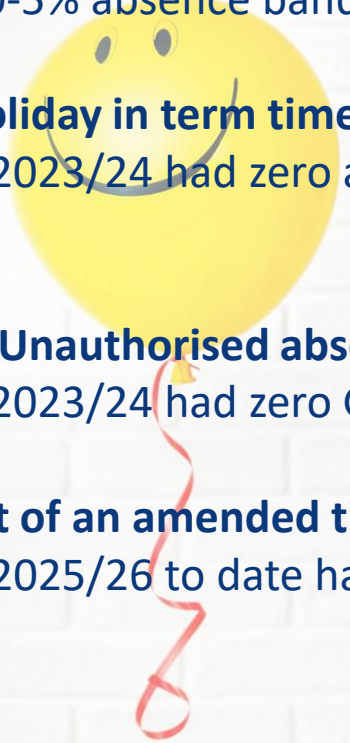
Positive data

The majority of pupils go through school with 95% or higher attendance
62% of our pupils are currently in the 0-5% absence banding

The majority of pupils DON'T go on holiday in term time
80% of Gloucestershire enrolments in 2023/24 had zero absence sessions due to family holiday not agreed

The majority of pupils don't have any Unauthorised absence
53% of Gloucestershire enrolments in 2023/24 had zero G, N, O or U codes

The majority of pupils aren't in receipt of an amended timetable
98% of Gloucestershire enrolments in 2025/26 to date have had zero C2-coded absences



Attendance data and updates

- Contact Inclusion Officers for advice and support on managing absence and promoting attendance
- Send in your Part-time timetables! Run routines to identify any with incorrect codes or that you need to report
- Contact your linked Inclusion Officer or Education Data, Analysis and Insights Team if you have any data-related questions or training requests

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Thank you!