Unregistered schools team management information
1 January 2016 to 31 August 2018

The unregistered schools team investigates and inspects suspected illegal schools.

Between 1 January 2016 and 31 August 2018, we identified 439 possible settings that may be unregistered: 274 inspections have taken place and 63 warning notices have been issued. During this time, 52 settings have closed or ceased operating illegally, three settings remain non-compliant and the remaining cases are still under active investigation.

An inspector issues a warning notice at the end of the inspection if she or he believes the setting is operating illegally as a school.
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